

Edison Community Forum

North High School

Tuesday, June 7, 2011

Purpose of Tonight's Forum

- Include all members of the community—teachers, parents, DPS administrators, community members—in an effort to build a common vision for Edison;
- Establish ground rules that make it safe for everyone to share their ideas;
- Surface and name the most pressing issues to resolve; and
- Determine how best to address the issues we raise.

Tonight's Agenda

- 6:00 Opening and Welcome
- 6:15 Setting Ground Rules
- 6:30 Defining Ideals, Naming Issues
 - Small group discussion
 - Whole group share out
- 7:30 Next Steps
 - Prioritizing issues
 - Follow up plans
- 8:00 Adjourn

Suggested Ground Rules

- **Listen** to understand
- **Respect** the views of others
- **Suspend Judgment**
- **Speak** for yourself in service of the group

Defining the Ideal

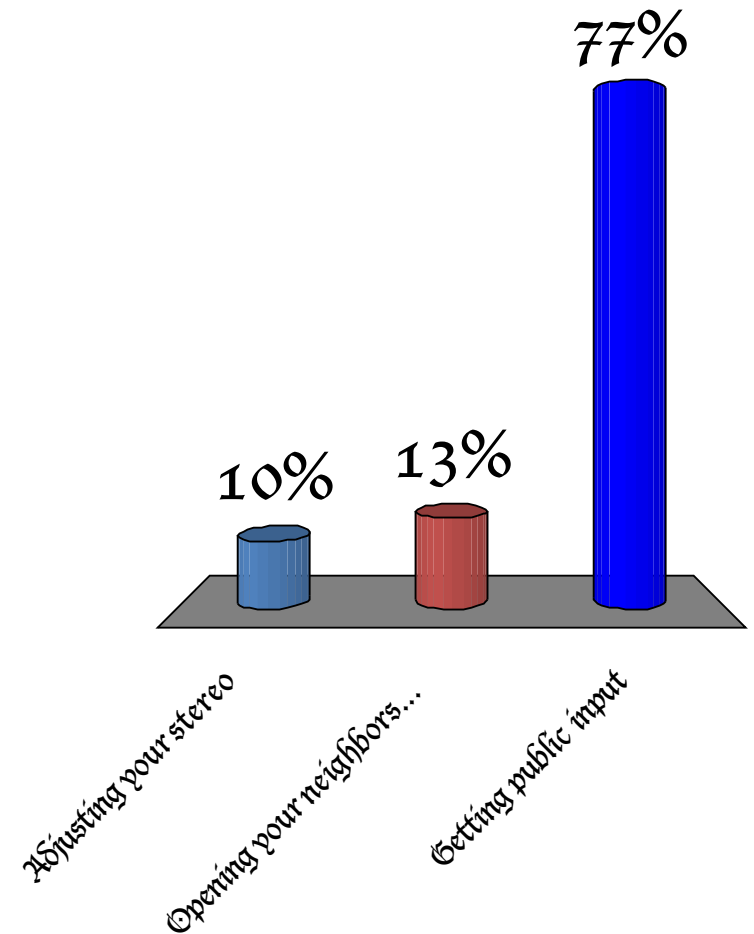
- How would you describe your ideal for what Edison Elementary could be?

Naming Issues

- Ensuring that the Traditional Ed and HGT programs both thrive under one roof at Edison
- Improving the quality of communication between teachers, administrators, and parents at Edison
 - Concerns about the lack of civility people use in forums and online
 - Concerns that the administration is not communicating well with parents
 - Concerns about how parents are treating teachers, each other, and the administration
- Building school-wide buy in for a shared vision, not factions and competing agendas
- Ensuring teachers are supported to deliver quality instruction to all students

These clickers are good for. . .

1. Adjusting your stereo
2. Opening your neighbors garage
3. Getting public input



What are the top 3 issues Edison should address?

1. All kids, all programs, one Edison
2. Communication
3. Schoolwide, shared vision
4. Teacher support for quality instruction/education
5. Safety

