



School District of HOWARDS GROVE

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Dear Howards Grove Families,

Recently, the Howards Grove School District and the Howards Grove Advancement Association conducted a community wide survey through School Perceptions, and independent firm with expertise in conducting community surveys. The purpose of the survey was to gather information and feedback from you, the Howards Grove Community, so that we can reflect and plan appropriately for the future.

The results from the survey are in. At the bottom of this letter is a link to a power point of the survey results. There is a lot of information in the report, but a few of the areas that reported out very well include:

From a school perspective:

- Overall academic performance compared to neighboring districts – 51% Better or Much Better
- Maintaining District Facilities – 3.08 (out of a possible 4)
- Providing a welcoming environment – 3.07 (out of a possible 4)
- Overall satisfied with the district -85% Satisfied or Very Satisfied
- Support for a \$4.9 million dollar referendum (technology, tech ed, auditorium) – 56% Probably yes/definitely yes

From a community perspective:

- Support for retail business and services (78%)
- Support for single family residential (76%)
- Support for office-based business (62%)
- Support for light industry (59%)
- Establish recreation trails for biking and walking (2.11 out of 3)
- **Satisfaction with living in HG (96% satisfied or completely satisfied)**

The response rate was 30%, which is considered extremely good. We also had very good representation from all of our demographic areas.

Please know that the **Howards Grove Board of Education has taken NO action on any of this information. At this time, the Board has not taken any action to move forward with a referendum.**

While we are proud of our past accomplishments, we know the future will present new challenges. At times like these, good planning and strong partnerships become even more important. Thank you to all who took the survey and provided us with valuable feedback and information.

Sincerely,

Christopher Peterson
Superintendent of Schools

[2016 Howards Grove Community Survey Results](#)