

WEST BONNER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #83

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What I <u>K</u> now	What I <u>W</u> onder	What I have <u>L</u> earned
 The Junior High School building is structurally sound. The building facilities are used for many functions and activities. There are currently two empty buildings for sale which used to be banks. It is possible that the District would not be able to sell the current District Office in a reasonable timeframe. Controls limit the boiler capacity. There is no A/C in the Junior High and the District Staff work yearround. The Junior High School building is not ADA compliant. All district facilities have significant needs. Many community members have good memories of going to school at the Junior High. 	 Are there any historic building funds, grants, or foundations which can help restore and maintain the building? Where else would the District and community be able to have the activities that currently occur at the Junior High? Why aren't students attending in the Junior High Building? Can the District charge for building use, or lease rooms, or rent out for performances in the auditorium? Who can we rent to? Can we move the District Office there? Can we run a bond to fix the Junior High? What are the limitations/conditions of the building? Is there mold, radon, or any other hazard which would prevent it's use? Can we install energy efficient windows and would that make a difference? Can the building be used for CTE, distance learning, or other alternative programs? Can hog fuel be used for the boiler? Timeline/cost of possible retrofit for the Junior High Building? Is Eco Warm or Electrical an option for heating at the Junior High Building? How can we make the Junior High building ADA Compliant? Can students still attend school in the Junior High building if the District Office moves there? What programs will be cut? Can we install motion activated lights to reduce energy usage? 	 Many other community members are thinking along the same lines. Bonds need over 60% voter approval to pass. The utilities at the Junior High are not as expensive as the community believed. The Junior High building is not the most expensive building. The High School is. The Board needs to formulate a well thought out plan. District buildings are expensive. There is funding start-up money for historical buildings. The district is consulting with locals and industry experts. Don't disturb asbestos. If necessary build over/around it.

The items above are a summary of the thoughts of individuals who participated in the Community Input Meeting. Bullet points are either a unique idea or a representation of many similar ideas.