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SISD SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

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**Across the district, we have many events and activities occurring in our schools, strengthening our students, and in turn our district. From a teacher's perspective these are opportunities for growth, learning, and may be crucial in the development of a student. To a student, the lens shows a different view, and now, we get to hear it.**

**Notation: This board report is being reported with the responses of five students out of all the students in SISD. Only five students replied this month and getting responses from more than that has been a difficult task. This report was crafted with little information but nonetheless, I tried my best and I apologize for the inconvenience.**

This past month students have engaged in archery and shooting lessons out of Thorne Bay School. The Thorne Bay high school boys have competed in several successful basketball games, live streamed on YouTube if you'd ever like to watch. At Hollis School students celebrated Valentine's Day with baked goods, handmade valentines and valentine "mailboxes." It was quite a wonderful experience and an exciting treat for students, I think it's something they will remember for years to come.

Students continue to speak out for better food; so beginning communication with a small group of students or surveying students to hear their opinions could prove beneficial. They would also like to see that food be served in larger portions so they don't grow hungry throughout the day. At Thorne Bay Schools, students advocate for a student microwave to use during lunch, in addition to more time for physical activity. While on the subject of more physical activity, students have also mentioned that they would like an improved alarm/intercom system in the gym.

Students would like to see that there are more opportunities to interact with students from other SISD schools. They want more clubs, more time for friends and fun. This pandemic has made things harder for students, and social interaction has changed in SISD. Though it is difficult to have times for students to interact and have fun, it's not impossible. I ask that we please find some way for students to interact with each other like they used to, in a safe environment, while not separating them further with screens. Students want to see debate, national news coverage, language classes, a world religion class. They'd also like a way for students to learn self defense skills should they ever be in need of it. Finally, students ask for more EXPO whiteboard markers at Thorne Bay School.