

# Becker Public Schools Strategic Planning: Results of Stakeholder Engagement Activities

## Overview

The school board of the Becker Public Schools approved a process for developing a strategic plan. The strategic planning process included opportunities for the school district's Students, Staff, School Board, and Parents / Guardians / Community Members to provide input on the process of determining what the school district is doing well and areas that might need attention or focus as a part of the strategic planning process.

**Five** "Listening Sessions" (one each for High School and Middle School students, Administrators, Licensed/Non-Licensed Staff, the School Board, and the Parent / Guardian / Community) were held via virtual meeting on May 19, 2022. The sessions were conducted by Minnesota School Boards Association (MSBA) staff.

In addition, two surveys were available for the school district's Students, Staff, Administrators, Board and Parents / Guardians / Community Members to provide feedback. The "Perception Survey of the Becker Public Schools – External Stakeholders" was available to the school district's Students, Parents, Guardians, and Community Members to complete. The "Perception Survey of the Becker Public Schools – Internal Stakeholders" was available for Staff, Administrators, and School Board to complete. Both surveys were open for the school district's stakeholders to provide input from May 9, 2022, to May 24, 2022. This document provides a summary of the stakeholder engagement-related activities.

## **Results: Becker Public Schools Stakeholder Surveys**

## Perception Survey of the Becker Public Schools – Internal Stakeholders

The survey provided an opportunity for the school district's Staff, Administrators, and School Board to offer input on what the school district is doing well and areas that might need attention or focus as a part of the strategic planning process. The survey included **24** indicators of school district effective practices and operations. Survey takers were asked to rate each indicator using the scale provided below.

- SD = Strongly Disagree,
- D = Disagree,

- A = Agree,
- SA = Strongly Agree, and
- DK = Don't Know.

A total of **43** school internal stakeholders completed the survey. The survey takers were asked to identify the role that best reflected the basis for their responses. The categories selected by the survey takers are as follows:

64.29% (27) identified themselves as a teacher,

28.57% (12) identified themselves as a support staff member,

7.14% (3) identified themselves as an administrator, and

**0.00%** (0) identified themselves as a board member.

### Summary of the Survey Results

For purposes of this summary, the indicators that received 80% or more "agree/strongly agree" ratings are identified as strengths, and the indicators that received 60% or less "agree/strongly agree" ratings are identified as possible opportunities.

Four strengths identified from the survey is provided below.

Strengths	
Indicator	Percent
School district facilities are safe, secure, and well maintained.	92.86%
The school district uses effective instructional programs, practices, and interventions to help all students.	81.40%
The superintendent is visible and accessible throughout the school district and community.	81.40%
The school district uses student achievement data to inform and improve instruction.	81.40%

Five areas of possible opportunity from the survey are provided below.

Possible Opportunities	
Indicator	Percent
The school board is visible and accessible throughout the school district and community.	58.14%
The school districts' policies, procedures, and practices are fair and just for all students.	58.14%
The school district has a process to ensure that the school board-adopted curriculum for a course or grade level is being taught by all teachers.	53.49%
The "climate" of all school buildings is conducive to teachers being able to teach and students being able to learn.	52.38%

All school district staff are equipped to address bias and exclusionary language 51.16% or behavior when it occurs.

### Perception Survey of the Becker Public Schools – External Stakeholders

The survey provided an opportunity for the school district's Students and Parents / Guardians / Community Members to offer input on what the school district is doing well and areas that might need attention or focus as a part of the strategic planning process. The survey included **19** statements of school district effective practices and operations. Survey takers were asked to rate each indicator using the scale provided below.

- SD = Strongly Disagree,
- D = Disagree,
- A = Agree,
- SA = Strongly Agree, and
- DK = Don't Know.

A total of **394** school district Students, Parents / Guardians / Community Members completed the survey. The survey takers were asked to identify the role that best reflected the basis for their responses. The categories selected by the survey takers are as follows:

89.85% (354) identified themselves as a parent/guardian of current student(s),

- 5.08% (20) identified themselves as a community member,
- 2.54% (10) identified themselves as a staff member,
- **1.52%** (6) identified themselves as students, and
- **1.02%** (4) identified themselves as a business owner.

### Summary of the Survey Results

For purposes of this summary, the indicators that received 80% or more "agree/strongly agree" ratings are identified as strengths, and the indicators that received 60% or less "agree/strongly agree" ratings are identified as possible opportunities.

Six strengths identified from the survey are provided below.

Strengths	
Indicator	Percent
School district facilities are safe, secure, and well maintained.	85.46%
I am satisfied with the overall condition of the school district's playgrounds and outdoor areas.	83.76%
In general, I am satisfied with the quality of education provided by the school district.	83.76%
In general, I am satisfied with the teachers of the school district.	82.86%
I am satisfied with the overall condition of the school district's buildings.	82.74%
Overall, I have a positive impression of the school district.	80.46%

Three areas of possible opportunity are provided below.

Possible Opportunities	
Indicator	Percent
I am satisfied with the school district's budget and use of funds.	58.52%
The school district spends its tax dollars effectively and efficiently.	57.65%
The school district provides good opportunities in career and technical education.	46.17%

## **Results: Becker Public Schools Listening Sessions**

### **Results: Student, Administrator, Staff, School Board, and Parent/Guardian/Community** "Listening Sessions"

**Five** "Listening Sessions" were held in the school district on May 19, 2022. The number of people who attended each session is provided below.

- 31 Middle School (8) and High School (23) students attended the session for Students;
- 18 Administrative Team Members attended the sessions for Administrators;
- **0** Licensed and Non-Licensed Staff attended the session for Licensed and Non-Licensed Staff;
- 6 School Board Members attended the School Board-Superintendent session; and
- 3 Community Members attended the Parent / Guardian / Community session.

The Student, Administrator, Staff, School Board, and Parent / Guardian / Community Session Attendees were asked the following questions:

- What do you consider to be the strengths of the Becker Public Schools?
- What do you consider to be opportunities for improvement for the Becker Public Schools?
- What would you see as a vision for the Becker Public School District in three to five years?

General comments from each Listening Session are provided below by session type.

# Students:

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Things that are done well	Opportunities for improvement
Things that are working	Areas that might be changed
Things that are going well	Things that are of concern
Things that are strengths	
	Middle School:
Middle School:	• Ipads during free play period
• 6 <sup>th</sup> grade staff – keeps students on track	• More freedom during advisory (2)
• Support – teachers & students	• Mental health room? Breaks/check-ins
• Teachers identify growth areas and	• More time between classes
help/nurture/encourage it	Bring backpacks to classes/bags
• 8 <sup>th</sup> grade staff – pushing and encouraging us	Education about minority groups
to our limits	Sensory items/emotional support
• Teachers listen to what we need, and do their	• Open communications and opinions – <u>but no</u>
best to be helpful	hate speech
Teachers pace teaching to class needs	• Normalize pronouns – everyone has them
Majority students respect admin	• Female & Male rather than boys & girls
• I am proud of the kindness and respect	More support around addiction without
students show to their peers at BMS	consequences
<ul> <li>There is a good sense of community</li> <li>Artistic quality of the school</li> </ul>	Staggered release times
<ul><li>Artistic quality of the school</li><li>Majority students care about work</li></ul>	Homework during lunch     Man florible mith friende heleine during
<ul> <li>Majority students care about work</li> <li>Soar (after hours)</li> </ul>	• More flexible with friends helping during
<ul> <li>Lot to offer with extra-curriculars</li> </ul>	<ul><li>advisory</li><li>Mental health breaks &amp; check-ins (in a</li></ul>
<ul><li>People to go to for help</li></ul>	designated room)
<ul> <li>Good schedules</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Longer locker time between classes</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Decorate school nicely</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Why can't we bring our backpacks to and</li> </ul>
	from classes?
	• More respect and education about prejudice
	and minorities
	<ul> <li>Political respect (respect political preferences)</li> <li>Emotional support huddy</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Emotional support buddy</li><li>Sensory items (therapy items like therapy</li></ul>
	• Sensory nems (merapy nems nice merapy toys, stuffed animals, etc.)
	<ul> <li>Not many spirit wear opportunities</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Bathroom signing out</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Everyone has right to have own belief</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Flexible seating (you can see and pay</li> </ul>
	attention well)
	Small flex breaks
	<ul> <li>More time to work on homework at school</li> </ul>
	• Extended time to turn in homework for extra-
	curriculars

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	• Dackpacks
	• Extra credit opportunities
High School:	High School:
• Student-staff trust;	<ul> <li>Macbooks instead of iPads</li> </ul>
Good teachers	Open campus-lunch times
• Teachers being helpful & understanding	• Extra credit
• Teachers work to develop relationships	Hats in school/hoods
• We have really good counselors	Typing class
Breakfast breaks	Boys' volleyball & swimming
Variety classes	More passing time
Sports programs	Parking pass expense
NHS & Student Council	Cursive class
• B3 & FCA	Enforced dress code
• Free lunches	• Doctor's notes
• CIS classes	More variety of foods
• Diverse extracurricular choices	Everyday advisory
• Breakfast break activities (homecoming,	• Concerned on why Extra Credit is being taken
spring fling, dances)	away
Sports	• Diversity for more staff
• Extra-curricular (2)	• Weighted GPA's
Variety of classes	• Diversity of school board (more girls and
Updated facility	diversity)
• Technology	Longer lunch times and passing time
Student involvement	• More concern for student safety
• Community between supporting each other	Better health course
(form)	Improve bathrooms
Gender neutral bathrooms	• Better student life balances (able to balance
• GSA group	school & lifetimes)
• Connected to each other	Access to courtyard
Opportunities for special education	• Better grading system (more comprehensive)
• Free & reduced lunch and breakfast	• Dress code
• Diversity in class types	Consistent education & departments
Lots of extra-curricular activities	• More time to talk to teachers
• Ability to retake classes if you fail	• Open campus for lunch / longer lunch period
• Extra credit opportunities in hard/rigorous	More options inside school for lunch
classes	• Teachers not following IEP's
• Range of math classes (have classes designed	• Extra credit opportunities & make up work
for different strengths)	Listening to reports
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Lunch line – some people get less lunch time,

More comforting environment / more inviting

or some people rush

Backpacks

• Mental health room in red hallway

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with color

Inwards swinging doors

More student space

	<ul> <li>How the school views students of minorities (ex: recent anti-LGBTQ+ presentation given)</li> <li>Students taking too much food, so there is less for C lunch especially fruits &amp; vegetables</li> <li>The school tends to support and encourage certain extra-curricular more than others</li> <li>Sometimes bullying gets swept under the rug</li> <li>Sometimes leeway is given even for things explicitly stated in the handbook</li> <li>No accelerated programs in elementary</li> <li>We should work on "catch-up" programs for students who fell behind during COVID</li> <li>After hours – either with other students or teachers</li> </ul>
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What are some descriptors or ideas about where you see the school 3-5 years into the future?

### Middle School:

- Well-known
- Admirable
- Empathetic
- Safe in many ways
- Mutual respect

### **High School:**

- Diverse (2)
- Compassionate (2)
- Inclusive
- Accepting (2)
- Comforting
- Progressive
- Supportive
- Helpful
- Kind
- Open
- Sustainable as possible
- Community
- Diverse staff and otherwise
- Equal, no one is better than anyone
- More classes (creative writing, etc.)

# Licensed Staff:

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Things that are done well	Opportunities for improvement
Things that are working	Areas that might be changed
Things that are going well	Things that are of concern
Things that are strengths	
<ul> <li>Passage of the referendum last fall; supportive community</li> <li>Middle School Principal's leadership</li> <li>The staff is a community that works together and supports each other</li> <li>Staff members are cooperative</li> <li>Our curriculum is good</li> <li>Camaraderie within departments</li> <li>Perry Wilkensson</li> <li>Fun environment that promotes learning</li> <li>Culture- the 3 R's- a school focus</li> <li>Separation of grades (pods)</li> <li>Working with cooperative students - but this year the students have not been cooperative or respectful</li> <li>We have a great staff!</li> <li>Staff</li> <li>Most kids are amazing</li> <li>Building leadership is strong, fair, and supportive</li> <li>Return to "normalcy"</li> <li>Technology in our schools</li> <li>Overall, common classes at each grade level teach the same content and have the same common assessments despite the teacher a student has.</li> <li>Mr. Christensen supports our staff</li> <li>Small town atmosphere (not having the major issues of bigger districts)</li> <li>High school administration is very good/approachable</li> <li>James Turner</li> <li>Caring staff</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Return to "normalcy" without, for example, Back-on-Track and other flexible supports in place</li> <li>Apathy by students towards their grades</li> <li>There is no additional Math Support (like there is for Reading) if a student is below grade level.</li> <li>Smaller class sizes</li> <li>School board needs to stay in its lane and worry about macro level policies and get out of micromanagement it is doing now</li> <li>Student use of cell phones</li> <li>Give teachers autonomy (See Daniel Pink's "Motivation")</li> <li>Concerned about CRT (not happening now but is a future concern)</li> <li>I feel like student support systems are needed in mental health</li> <li>Camp Opportunity Staff; unprofessional, portrays the school poorly</li> <li>Class schedules - need common passing times so we can sub for one another</li> <li>Attendance - students missing 60+ days of school - lack of any type of recourse</li> <li>Micromanagement from the top</li> <li>Internet Speed</li> <li>Administration does not value teacher input. All major decisions are made top down. If we are given input, it is clear that a mandate will eventually be issued that completely disregards our expertise and intelligence.</li> <li>End of day dismissal, should have staff monitoring hallways and outside area much more thoroughly, huge safety concerns noted Lots of running and behaviors at the</li> </ul>
• Welcoming staff - from teachers to cooks to	end of the day
paras	• Support for struggling math students
• Students' behavior has been great this year	<ul> <li>Communication in general</li> </ul>
• People are willing to help each other when	<ul> <li>Lack of subs. Having to give up prep time</li> </ul>
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- Admin.
- School climate is positive
- Free breakfast/lunch program for students
- Becker Teachers
- We have a VERY supportive administration.
- Teachers are personable
- We offer a variety of classes for all students
- GSA
- Excellent teamwork!
- We operate as a team
- Updated technology
- The staff at the Primary building really support each other
- Building Physical
- Custodial staff is amazing
- Additional opportunities to offer input and feedback
- Discipline issues compared to other area schools
- Our custodian staff does an AMAZING job on the upkeep of our building.
- Teachers truly care about students
- We offer a variety of extra-curricular activities for all students
- Mutual respect among staff and students
- MTSS is highly efficient
- Our level 3 program has helped with less screaming and running of students, We could use another one
- Technology tools
- Paraprofessional support
- Multiple extracurricular student groups/teams experiencing success
- We have data driven processes to identify and support students who need it both academically and emotionally.
- Continuous look at student growth
- Open communication
- I am glad we are getting an assistant principal we need one full time so I hope it can move to that soon.
- Students
- Media specialist

- Aside from a math class in 7th & 8th grade there are no opportunities within the school day for students who would fall under the gifted and talented category.
- More behavior support
- The school board and administration need to run our district in their respect levels and responsibilities, not a couple of district residents
- Vaping in the restrooms
- Acknowledge teachers as the experts they are.
- Concerned about early intro to LGBTQ+ (unnecessary!) (not happening now but is a future concern)
- Continue to review grading policies.
- Grading policies lots of gray areas
- Cell phones limit cell phone use during the school day students mental health is adversely affected by their constant cell phone use
- Teaches need to feel supported by the top, discipline where needed, not just mass emails that most of us don't even understand. Post it notes? really?
- Temperature control
- Lack of leadership in administration. Unable or unwilling to articulate goals. For example, we spend an entire year on a grading "book study" but never once did our administrator stand up in front of us to explain why, or what his vision was, or what is problematic about our current system. Then, as we all know is the case, we will be given a directive (probably via email) with no explanation as to why decisions were made.
- Lack of trust/cohesiveness among staff, which negatively impacts relationships and student achievement
- Single use plastic. Especially at breakfast
- Training for teachers and time in the day to teach students some of the basic skills of learning. (i.e., How to use a planner. How to use your notes. How to be act within the classroom where everyone is trying to learn.)
- Less dependency on Fastbridge data
- The school district should take an active role in dispelling false information that the public puts out on social media

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•	ACTUALLY involve teachers in decision making. Don't lead us through a book that we all disagree with and then institute the book's
	philosophies anyway.
•	Concerned about too much time focused on
	div. And inc. (not happening now but is a
	future concern)
•	Not enough science time
•	Mixed messages from Admin about
	supporting vulnerable students
•	LET US TEACH!! we deal with so much of
	the politics and policies that do not make our
	job easier.
•	Blatant hostility toward diversity/ inclusion.
	Completely mixed messages sent by admin
	and board. Given mandatory PD about
	inclusivity and diversity. Given speakers like
	James Turner to talk about diversity. But none
	of that is reflected in actual practice or values.
	Instead, we INVITE hate groups to speak and then and use threats of notantial dissipling for
	then endure threats of potential discipline for trying to protect diverse students.
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•	Staffing difficulties - subs and hiring/retention
•	Art for students in 6th grade
•	School needs to ban phones during the day as
	phones are the number one issue that disrupt learning
•	Support LBGTQ+ students and the teachers
•	who support them.
•	Trimesters are too long of a grading period for
	middle schoolers
•	Our health was not protected this year at all.
	In an effort to keep parents happy you
	sacrificed your staff.
•	Sexist practices. Men on staff routinely given
	preferential treatment by administrators as
	compared to women. Women are
	condescended to in emails, ignored in
	decision making, seen as being troublemakers
	for expressing opinions. Female students
	routinely report being the victims of sexist
	teachers who say offensive things to girls in
	class or act in sexist ways toward them. These
	are also teachers who are admin favorites.
•	Current climate
•	More training for teachers on how to teach the
	Character Strong material

	<ul> <li>It would be great if areas for improvement were actually taken seriously and things changed, rather than writing all of this off as "negative" and seeing yourselves as "choosing to be positive".</li> <li>Crawling bugs, impetigo, foot and mouth, strep throat, the kids are not sent home nor are other families or specialists notified, so the kids share headphones, equipment etc. exposing others. When did the policy change for all of these? and Without input from staff. You knew when where and if we were vaccinated, because it was a public health issue, why are these things any different?</li> <li>Lack of trust between admin and teachers. Teaching staff does not feel supported.</li> </ul>
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What are some descriptors or ideas about where you see the school 3-5 years into the future?

- Continued enrollment growth
- More vocational focus for students where school is not a strong point
- I would like to see the district continuing to grow and change to meet the diverse needs of our students and staff.
- Smaller class sizes
- Less daily drama that is caused by poor decisions by the school board
- welcoming
- All levels of admin will have equal numbers of POC,
- Continuation of the 5 positives listed
- Mental health focus
- Middle school back to quarters
- Working on the negative climate in the school
- Smaller class sizes
- I would love to see a place that equally values ALL kids and their contributions.
- Inclusive
- Increased partnerships with community members
- More opportunities for students advanced students
- I would like to see more support for our students who are behind in math.
- Classroom gardens
- Getting back to being able to focus on teaching and what is important
- Understanding of student needs
- Students are tolerant of all kinds of people
- Improved and updated technology- Becker is great at this!
- Common passing time for the middle school
- More money for our classrooms to spend on STEAM projects

- I would love to see a place where ALL teachers (not just white male coaches) are respected and given some level of autonomy.
- Accepting
- A destination district as defined by....(what will it be?)
- An understanding that some of our grading policies have caused issues where students no longer feel accountable for things like turning work in on time. Going to your job on days you don't feel like it. Etc.
- I would like to see more support for our students who are struggling academically in school
- Having a school board that does not have an agenda
- The school board isn't trying to fire teachers for supporting vulnerable students
- Class size #s down
- More input from staff-on-staff development
- Ability to rebound post-pandemic and boost learning/scores, graduation rates, etc.
- I would like to see opportunities for the higher achieving students at BMS.
- Less focus on social justice, more focus on academics!
- Treat staff as professionals and allow us to choose how we use our time during workshops
- Bulldogs Strong!
- I would like to see the district, as a whole, be able to work together better. (As a middle school teacher, I rarely know other teachers outside my building. I would like to see more work done together K-12 for those who teach the same content.
- Pay us fairly, don't lie to us during negotiations, and don't lie and tell us that other district will have to pay back their bonus money from COVID funds, call it retention pay or whatever, but we deserved some of that money by keeping this school open!

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Things that are done well	Opportunities for improvement
Things that are working	Areas that might be changed
Things that are going well	Things that are of concern
Things that are strengths	
	Communication
Nice location	• The way the girls dress. Very little on top or
• Administration is friendly and have an open-	bottom
door policy	• Change the exit out of the High School
Grounds look great	parking lot onto Sherburne Ave to right turn
Great Staff	only from 3:00 to 3:30. To make it easier for
• Teacher and Staff really care about kids and	buses to pull out of Bradley Blvd.
their well being	Communication
• Robotics program - so great for ALL students	• Teachers need to reflect neutrality and teach
to choose to participate	the subjects they are teaching
Clean building	• The pushing of all LGBTQ ideals upon ALL
• Sports and activities are great	staff and students by just a few staff is not
Great Community Support	OK. Students and staff are intimidated by a

## Non-Licensed Staff:

Consistency in requirements between teachers within the same department <u>Vision</u>	<ul> <li>SPED in HS works so well with our special needs students - the Paras are amazing</li> <li>Schools are very clean</li> <li>Great Facilities - with continual improvements</li> <li>Provide opportunities for help with mental health needs</li> <li>We have a great study area in the Media Center. Keep it full of the great resources we need.</li> <li>Committed Leadership</li> <li>Well maintained grounds and building</li> <li>Follow the policies we currently have in place. They are good policies. Please enforce them.</li> <li>Listen to concerns of non-licensed staff concerning challenging students</li> <li>Phones in class</li> <li>Teamwork Mentality instead of 'not my job' (unions?)</li> <li>Enforce dress codes</li> <li>I fear we are losing the sense of "community" in our schools. Some special interest groups have a lot of power and are intimidating others that don't think like they do.</li> <li>Camp Opportunity deserves more respect than what it gets</li> <li>Punishments needs to be harsher</li> <li>Focus on Students not agendas</li> <li>Somehow retain Special Ed Teachers to form a good solid department</li> <li>We need to keep our computer labs open in the Media Center. Students will not be using iPads to work when out in the world. They need computers and they prefer them over iPads.</li> <li>Children are not getting the services they need soon enough</li> <li>Bring in an ISS room. no more out of school vacations</li> <li>Focus on Education not politics</li> </ul>
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What are some descriptors or ideas about where you see the school 3-5 years into the future?

- Children will become more of a number than a name
- Outdoor space for students to go during lunch for fresh air

- Excellence
- New Intermediate and High School buildings
- Build upon what is good, we have a ton of good happening in Becker.
- Basic education will start to phase away as more liberal ideas are brought in from the government
- turn the school store into a full-time morning space that is open for the Sped students to work and gain skills
- Character First
- Retain good staff and teachers. Most are from this community
- Hoping educators will teach good morals to students
- Learning Community
- Continue promoting the vocational, technical fields. This is a huge need in today's world.
- Creating Contributing Citizens
- Responsible with Resources

Parent /	Guardian:
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Opportunities for improvement
Areas that might be changed
Things that are of concern
• Keeping gender identity teaching out of
classroom
Quality of education
<ul> <li>Including diverse voices/perspectives</li> </ul>
Grading
Better lunch options
Smaller class sizes
• Teachers supporting and guiding kids better.
Instead of telling them to give up on a subject
because student is struggling.
• Superintendent doesn't seem to have a good
relationship with his building representatives
• Use of Budget
• Not sending homework home, having time in
class
• Teachers be mindful of homework - can some
of it be done in school, eliminated if not really
needed
• Eliminate school board members who are
extremists that do not accept diversity
• Being outside of the Becker community, we
are not always aware of opportunities for our
kids to see their friends outside of school

<ul> <li>Building administrators are</li> <li>Love the band program and the middle school</li> <li>The teachers we work with communicated well with us</li> <li>Math teachers are helpful</li> <li>Good communication</li> <li>Activities</li> </ul>	the instructor at are s have are s • Hav dayo • If po distrikids bus	re support for high school students who struggling ing more than one bus stop option for care students ossible, a better transportation for out of rict children. There are a lot of Clearwater , and it would be easier for parents if a came to town using on the small percentage of people
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<ul><li>since we are considered a s</li><li>Special Education</li><li>Support</li></ul>		't let the squeaky parents affect what you doing

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<ul><li>Lots of awesome sports</li><li>Preparing them for college or next step after</li></ul>	• More emphasis on acceptance of all students regardless of race, gender, or sexuality
graduation	<ul> <li>I feel like I see lots of notifications on FB for</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Good after school program for kids who need more help</li> </ul>	Becker pages, but I don't want to turn them off and miss information
Good school hours	• More gifted and talented options especially at
<ul> <li>Good student support</li> </ul>	elementary and middle school level
• Pick up line is great compared to other	Keep critical race theory out of schools
districts	<ul> <li>Less focus on LBGTQ and more on</li> </ul>
Community Support for student athletes	something that impacts a larger population of
• We have good a sports program	students
• Still has a small-town feel	• Teach our children about the constitution and
• Our experience with Becker Primary and	why it exists
Intermediate schools has been the best	<ul> <li>Lack of support for LGTQ+</li> </ul>
Excellent Programs	Increase in communication
• Up to date technology	Communication
Cleanliness	• Teachers saying they won't help when kids
<ul> <li>Community/parent involvement</li> </ul>	are dealing with drama
<ul> <li>Early Childhood</li> </ul>	All Administrators, including Asst Principals
<ul> <li>Higher level course availability</li> </ul>	and above receiving leadership development
<ul> <li>Safety of Students</li> </ul>	training outside of typical teacher training-
<ul><li>Sports atmosphere very FUN!</li></ul>	more corporate level business training
<ul> <li>Entertaining band concerts</li> </ul>	Community center as an activity fee
<ul><li>Good curriculum</li></ul>	Covered dugouts at softball complex
	• Actively recruit faculty and staff from diverse
Nice Tennis courts	backgrounds
Activities are engaging for children	Increase in Security presence
Fun Field Trips	• Small population doesn't mean you need to
Covid response	CHANGE drastically
Community Involvement	• Stop the bullying of students who have
Resources	differences.
• Very nice property	• I'm not able to correspond easily with the
Community cares for each other	teachers within the seesaw app
Plenty of money used in support of sports     programs	• More peer cooperation activities to help
<ul> <li>I like the size of Becker school district</li> </ul>	prevent bullying
	Condition of the football
<ul> <li>Daughter enjoys going</li> <li>Quick response time to problems</li> </ul>	field/bathrooms/outdoor athletic facilities. I
• Quick response time to problems	have All girls, and was not an athlete, but our
	facilities are quite subpar to others in the
	conference. Indoor plumbing should be a
	given
	• "Everyone is welcome", is not true if you
	don't support the gays and trans
	Inconsistent enforcement of Dress Code
	depending on student
	• Far too much prejudice against all minorities
	• Better or more ways for parents to get
	involved

	• HS Grading. This is not college. Be more
	flexible with different learning styles.
	• Better bathroom facilities at softball complex.
	• Someone monitor the Facebook posts have a
	job that is to watch and delete such
	NEGATIVE COMMENTS about the school
	• Provide more resources to the band program
	as well as other activities that aren't sports.
	• More opportunities for the kids to learn about
	emotional intelligence
	• Support and growth for technical professions
	• Let the voices that don't believe in being gay,
	be heard and stop calling them names
	• Hardly any real-world skills (real world way
	of dealing with things)
	• I've heard we just hired a new HR
	professional. Leverage their knowledge and
	experience to facilitate ongoing diversity and
	inclusion conversations, as well as training on
	active listening and acceptance
	Improved school interior structure
	• Calm some of the teachers down that are HOT
	about certain topics lately
	• Reward the teachers who are advocates for all
	students
	• Stop with the pro nouns!!!!!!!! this is stupid!
	• Sometimes it seems that the adults around the
	kids just don't care and are there to only get a
	check.
	• Create a peer mentor/helper team/group-
	juniors and seniors-leaders who are trained to
	work with their classmates to work through
	issues
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What are some descriptors or ideas about where you see the school 3-5 years into the future?

- Life skills such as personal finances, discussing things like credit card debt, student loans etc.
- Language Immersion
- Improved classrooms
- Great working relationship within the district
- Top academic leader in the state
- Thriving
- Keep being who you are, no need to change, keep students as your focus and eliminate the NOISE
- All students are accepted and treated with kindness.
- I'm excited for the bonding money remodel in the schools
- More independent projects offered to students

- Keeping our children in the top ranks of education
- I am happy with the district in every aspect.
- Significant enhancements to athletic facilities our athletes are outstanding, and our facilities don't support our level of excellence
- In 3 yrs., I think it will be much worse and we will pull our kids out
- Hopefully a small-town school with history, values, and morals
- "Keep up with the jones" Cutting edge facilities
- All children feel welcome and safe
- Teach kids basic life skills
- All-Inclusive
- Career development
- Leading the area in diversity/inclusion
- No leaking ceiling
- Great working relationship with local higher education institutions
- 99% graduation rate
- Competitive in sports
- School board presents only groups who encourage kindness and acceptance of all
- Cutting edge teaching tools
- Different options offered at high school level for different interests
- More language options in HS
- If you don't bring back true history, our kids will never know how great this country was
- Teach the kids based on interests... but this is difficult to do when the federal government controls so much.
- Show them taxes and how they can be done
- List of top 50 HS's in the state of MN
- Continue to teach students in innovative ways
- Leaders in the real world making a difference
- Students who bully will attend some sort of extended workshop regarding this issue.
- Best place for teachers to work
- More out of school opportunities offered like shadowing
- Continued academic excellence
- You are not welcome if you don't accept the gays so it would be nice if it really was welcoming
- How to manage a bank account
- Use parents as a resource for additional support in/out of the classroom, and ways to provide educational expenses
- Being KIND to one another, helping each other out
- Something will actually be done about the use of the n word in school.
- Focus on teacher/staff well-being and support
- Larger breath of technical education options
- In 5yrs, more kids will be homeschooled or going to private education
- Home economics kind of things
- Continue to think outside of the box when it comes to education
- Not Changing due to small population of complainers
- Extremist ideals will not be accepted i.e., there will be no banning of certain books
- Focus on the majority of student needs, not small focus groups based in social causes
- 5 yrs., good teachers, good school board parents will keep quitting because they are fed up

• How to work on cars or engines or just be able to fix things.

# Community:

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Things that are done well	Opportunities for improvement		
Things that are working	Areas that might be changed		
Things that are going well	Things that are of concern		
Things that are strengths			
	Lots of money wasted		
• Some very good teachers	• A large portion of the staff members		
• There really are no positives in the Becker	• Technology purchased and not wanted by		
school district we need change, and we need it	teachers		
now	• Technology staff does not support users		
Overall school does good job preparing	• Some very poor teachers		
students for future	• Staff members keeping their personal beliefs		
Referendum is expanding CTE	personal and not pushing them on young very		
• Great that referendum passed	<ul><li>impressionable kids</li><li>The school backing the pride to live in one of</li></ul>		
Schools are center of community	the greatest countries in the world.		
<ul><li>Much revolves around school i.e., sports, etc.</li><li>Community supports the school</li></ul>	Conducting the pledge of allegiance on a		
Community supports the school	regular basis.		
	• Changing the view that is projected towards		
	4-year colleges. We don't need more people to		
	go to a four-year college just to graduate and		
	have a worthless degree with nowhere to		
	work. We need people to work with their		
	hands and become skilled labor.		
	• Life skills for students i.e., finances, loans,		
	<ul><li>mortgage</li><li>More community involvement</li></ul>		
	<ul> <li>Could do more listening from the stakeholders</li> </ul>		
	-Q & Q		
	<ul> <li>Becker Freedom Days – leverage them for</li> </ul>		
	school Q & A		
	Enhanced school website		
	• Involve more groups/organization in school		
	partnerships		
	• Expand online education/partner with North		
	Star Academy		
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What are some descriptors or ideas about where	e you see the school 3-5 years into the future?		
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- I would hope that only technology that will be used is purchased
- Please use money more effectively
- Get rid of ineffective teachers and staff
- More hands-on administration
- I would hope that the cancer like staff members (everybody knows who they are) are no longer employed by Becker school district and hopefully no district in the state for that matter
- Get someone in charge that actually care about the community and the school rather than just the school
- Excellence in education
- Learning spaces/flex spaces for students to learn and interact
- Transform classrooms

## Board:

Things that are working Are	Δ portunities for improvement eas that might be changed ings that are of concern Tech portion of bond – increase tech offerings Early childhood expansion – have waiting list Financial stability – Policy for 8% fund balance More open enrollment in than out; many coming from St. Cloud More opportunities at High School – CIS Create more opportunities for youngest and oldest learners More collaborative experience for learning Flexible learning spaces Transition on pathway for students Increase trust with the entire community Board communication from the public and joint problem-solving Mental health support for students How do we provide better learning
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### Vision

What are some descriptors or ideas about where you see the school 3-5 years into the future?

- Safe and accepting district
- Exceptional educational experience learning how to learn, liking it, and applying it
- Being prepared for success
- Opportunities
- Zest for learning that is contagious
- Be ready for life in the 21<sup>st</sup> century
- Adaptable strong students
- Staff who want to be here
- Alignment of community, staff, students
- "Community"
- Build relationships with the community

## Administrators:

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Things that are done well	Opportunities for improvement
Things that are working	Areas that might be changed
Things that are going well	Things that are of concern
Things that are strengths	
	• We need a reset after the pandemic
Dedicated staff	• Create positive culture (student, staff,
• Quality teachers/paras that care for all our	community)
students	Have marketing/logos/messaging streamlined
Strong Admin Team/Dedicated staff	between departments.
• Staff support - We currently have 2 teachers	• Safety before and after school on the school
that have helped driving routes and activity	campus - since 2015 we have had a significant
trips	increase in district, staff, and student traffic.
Dedicated staff	Our younger students do need to have safe
Well educated and dedicated staff	areas to walk to get from one side of the
• MTSS support team working very hard to	campus to the other for school.
support students	District systems
Our MTSS is going well	Public Relations
Good reputation outside of district	• Parental demands that are unrealistic,
• Becker is known in surrounding areas as a	illogical, politically motivated
great district to work for and attend	• Ensuring that all students are in an inclusive
• Parent support - becoming sub bus / van	environment
drivers to help when they can	• Improve our mental health services
Community Support	• Improve HR and admin relations with staff
PLC are working well	• Union restrictions - sometimes unions stop the
Significant community support	easiest and most common-sense decisions
	because of contractual language

<ul> <li>students</li> <li>Parent support - Driving students during COVID in the time of need and stopping for transportation vehicles before and after school around the campus</li> <li>Reputation of the district</li> <li>One campus</li> <li>Community support through involvement in finance, business, donations</li> <li>Strong Community Involvement</li> <li>PBIS/SEL is working well</li> <li>Well attended and respected Early Childhood Program</li> <li>Parental support (for the most part)</li> <li>Participation in Activities</li> <li>MTSS program for interventions continues to improve</li> <li>Good reputation</li> <li>Strong parent support</li> <li>One campus for all district students</li> <li>Early childhood program</li> <li>Technology Infrastructure</li> <li>We have a lot of technology that allows students and staff to continue thriving in a digital world</li> <li>MTSS system</li> <li>Great educational reputation</li> <li>Comp</li> <li>Prog</li> <li>Prosi</li> <li>Comp</li> <li>Prog</li> <li>Prosi</li> <li>Prosi</li></ul>	rict goals lities - Restrooms tical ideologies impacting students' tal health nt involvement where it counts then discussions in Race/LGBTQ etc. need a reset in our attendance after the lemic ve Early Childhood to new addition and for additional classrooms gram additions (CTE, Gifted and Talented, nate education opportunities) M Programs viding more support for students ggling with mental health, the need for e counselors, more social workers, more ance counselors ays can improve Mental Health options tudents uctional coaches to help with Tier 1 uction ch out to area media/newspapers to share tive accomplishments of students and ict tive culture ortunities for Gifted and Talented grams and middle school electives king at expanding CTE offerings brate the great things at Becker Schools rove traffic flow on campus cher retention and hiring tinued Growth pectives changed that it isn't always about borting sports (that's what people think)
Vision	

What are some descriptors or ideas about where you see the school 3-5 years into the future?

- Helping all students to achieve their potential
- Create slogan such as "This is the place to be" or "Every Student Thriving"
- Diverse opportunities
- Student Driven
- Visionary
- Supporting every student to thrive
- Adding more staff to provide new opportunities for students.

- Student focused
- Helping all staff to be at their best
- Becker Schools, E-12
- Proud staff
- Respect
- Progressive
- Working together to support all
- Clear vision
- Strong community support
- Families are able to help their child to be ready for learning
- Success is measured by growth of each child
- Teamwork
- Respect In everything, by everyone Accept differences
- High achieving students
- Clear steps towards that vision
- The Place To Be!
- Strong community support
- Staff focus is on student success
- Growth
- Multiple opportunities for students and families
- Academic advancement
- Regional location for strong educational values and practices
- Celebrate the wonderful things happening in Becker
- All employees work as a team for the common good
- Collaboration
- What's best for kids
- Strong reputation!

### Perception Survey of the Becker Schools – External Stakeholders

Additional comments: External respondents were given the opportunity to answer an openended question in the survey.

**<u>CONTENT OF SURVEY</u>**: The survey consisted of the following question with its respective responses:

 During the Strategic Planning process Belief Statements (also known as Value Statements) will be developed for Becker. Please share up to 5 values that you hold for the school. Values might include: honesty, integrity, caring relationships, small class sizes, social responsibility, environmental responsibility, excellent education, diverse perspectives, community partnerships, etc.

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Transparency	Honor	Premier educators	Refined facilitation	
quality educators	honesty	integrity	caring relationships	small class sized
Honesty	caring relationships	Educations	smaller class sizes	security
Small Class Sizes	Social Justice	Diverse Perspectives	Environmental justice	Exceptional Education
Equal opportunity for all extra-curricular participants	Equal voice for all students, parents, and faculty	An open-minded board who leave their personal beliefs out of their decision-making		
Transparent	Fact based			
Teachers shouldn't push their personal agendas on students especially sexual, religious, and political.				
Small Class Sizes	Community Partnership	Respectful Relationships (We can agree to disagree)	Treat everyone with Respect & Kindness	Excellent Education Opportunities for students at ALL levels
small class sizes	excellent education			
All students good and struggling students need support and respect from the teachers and principal.				
Caring	Class size	Education	Opportunity	Accountability
Small class sizes	Athletic opportunities	Community partnership	Honesty	
My kids are treated with respect	My kids are given an opportunity to succeed	My kids seem happy in this school environment	My kids are in the primary school level, and I'm impressed with the staff and environment	

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Integrity	Small class size	Quality teachers	Safe and secure facilities	Well maintained facilities and grounds
Diversity and acceptance of the diverse perspectives	Caring and nurturing	Get students ready for the real world	Access to many opportunities / education path choices	Integrity / honesty
Small class sizes	No CRT please			
Collaboration	Team Player	Empathy	Education	Kind
Character	Efficiency	Honesty	Advantages	Small class size
Small class sizes	Integrity	Honesty		
Honesty	Resiliency	Respect	Curiosity	Kindness
Accountability	Respect	Integrity	Honesty	Value
Excellent education	Preparation for higher education and adult life	Focus on education, not politics and controversy	Integrity	Small class sizes
Keep your personal politics out of the classroom and STOP holding a student's beliefs against them	Hold students accountable for their actions. When there is a student-to-student issue don't ask the parents what they want done as a punishment. Follow your policies	Bags and cell phones need to stay out of classrooms	Close open enrollment	
Honesty	No CRT	No early sex education		
Small class sizes	Excellent education	Community partnerships	Caring relationships	Honesty
Inclusion	Honesty	Human Rights	Small class sizes	Social Justice
Fiscal responsibility/ live within your means	Leave liberal indoctrination for college	Personal responsibility	Honestly/ Integrity	Fiscal responsibility, worth saying twice
Academic and technical education excellence	Opportunities to succeed outside of the classroom	Majority over minority (not everyone needs a trophy)	Small class sizes	Integrity
Social Justice and creating a world that is fair and just.	Inclusion. All students are welcome in our classrooms and their uniqueness is celebrated.	Individualism And Diverse perspectives. We are a school that encourages people to embrace their true selves and share their uniqueness with the world.	Courage – We are a school that boldly faces challenges and support each other through difficult moments in our learning and life.	Critical Thinking – We embrace and encourage thinking critically about the world's problems.
Excellent Education	Small Classes	Community Partnership	Better opportunities for 504 kids	
Primary school	Communication across	Strive for the best for		
rules=rock!	all departments	every kid	Valuing all and large	Discourse al const
Small classes	Excellent education	Relationships	Valuing all employees	Rigorous classes
Education	Integrity, not teachers with side agendas	Class size	Broad spectrum of classes available	Acceptance for all
Inclusion	Small class size	Support for staff	Equitable learning for all students	Education

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Honesty	Relationship	Community partnership	Small class size	
Equality	Adhere to no tolerance of bullying	Teachers teach and not preach	More help opportunities with homework	Every child is treated equal
Small class sizes	Good education	Students are a person & not just a number	Great & caring staff	Great place for education
education-teach kids our history and how to read grade level Honesty and integrity	honesty- tell the truth about our history and quit changing it academic excellence	stop pushing LGBTQ movement and encouraging kids to join education is the shared	no more distance learning, no more mask, it's hurting our kids learning should occur in	treat kids fair when they get in trouble and the rules effect all not some create an environment
fionesty and integrity	should be promoted in all areas of learning	responsibility of the student, the staff, parents and the community	a caring, supportive, clean, and safe environment	that is disciplined, fosters respect for authority, and encourages learning.
Equality	Inspirational	Respectful	Vision	Acceptance
Excellent education	Respect	School spirit	Integrity	
excellent education	diverse perspectives	preparation for the changing global world	communication / collaboration between differing perspectives	
Traditional teaching focused on factual history, not modern theory.	Strict adherence to school policies to promote personal responsibility for student and staff actions.	Develop driven students willing to work hard in the hardest of times.		
As strong of an emphasis and funding for co-curriculars as sports.	Comfortable learning environment that encourages self- motivators.	Apparent integrity from students, staff, and administration. Policies in place, followed, and enforced.	Curriculum that removes politically persuasive references.	Students building community within and outside of school buildings.
Respectful Debate on issues	Quality core education	Quality SPED program at high school	Honest communication from district	Family Involvement at High school level
Diversity (for races/ genders/ lgbtq students)	Extra credit opportunities	Equality for all students	Acceptance of all students	Having the student's best interest in mind
Diversity in all aspects (race/gender/LGBTQ)	Opportunities to increase grades/knowledge (retakes, extra credit, etc.)	Strong education to prepare for college and life	Always have the best interest of the students in mind	Good relationship between the schools and the community
Communication with Honesty & Integrity	Diversified learning opportunities	Mental health priorities	Anti-bullying priorities	Environmental/climate change collaboration
Respect	Caring	STEM Skills	Clean and safe	
Honoring of the American flag and being one nation under God	Honestly	Integrity	Excellent education	Small class sizes
kindness	diversity	respect	excellent education	communication
honesty	respect for fellow human beings	ability to discuss/debate varied viewpoints in safe environment	inclusive	prepare students to be productive members of our diverse society

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Integrity. Keeping Democrats CRT theories OUT of Becker Schools!!	Excellent Education			
Small class size	Caring relationships	Environmental justice	Community partnerships	Kindness to everyone
Support	Small Class Sizes	Caring Relationships		
Education	Integrity	Caring relationships	Honesty	Small class size
Excellent education	Small class sizes	Kindness to all but I believe in 2 genders. Not to push/teach about other ideas. That's the parent's job	No to CRT	Continue being the great school district that we love!
excellent education	teaching critical thinking skills	real world experiences	honesty	transparency
excellent education	small classes	accountability	caring teachers	budget conscience
Small Class Sizes	Honesty	Caring Teachers	Strong Special Education Programs in High School	Integrity
Excellent education	Objectivity	Integrity	Honesty	Small class sizes
Social justice	Diversity	Respect for others	Safety	Inclusive
Keep teacher's political opinions out of the classroom	Diverse perspectives NOT ONE SIDED	Integrity	Small class sizes	Funding going to students NOT administration
Not focusing on football	Not giving all the tax money to football	Realizing there are other activities besides football	Equal distribution of funds to all extra curriculars	Equal recognition of all school programs
Pro Life	Traditional Marriage	Freedom of religion	Free speech	Gender identity- Male and Female ONLY
Teachers will keep their beliefs to themselves.	The community should not see teachers spouting off on the Community Facebook site!	The school will allow others to have their own opinion, the minority, although they scream the loudest, should follow rules set forth for everyone!		
Caring teachers. Further education to ensure teachers are educated	Environmental	Honest/communication	Excellent education	Physical environment
Small class sizes	Excellent Education	Integrity	Honesty	Acceptance
caring relationships	small class sizes	excellent education	extra-curricular activities	integrity
Small class sizes	Clean and Safe environment	Great communication	Good learning topics	My Kids enjoy going to school

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	Excellent Education	Diverse Perspectives	Genuine Relationships	Access to Experiences	Real World Application

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Communication	Honesty	Focus on academic subjects		
Integrity	Responsibility	Honesty	Service to others	Humility
Education	Student safety/acceptance	Technology opportunities for all genders	Admin/parent cooperation	Healthy meals options
excellent education	small class sizes	honesty	integrity	community partnerships
Small class sizes	Community Partnership	Sincerity	Equality	Integrity
Equality	Diverse	Honesty	God	Respect
Safety	Small class sizes	Community involvement		
Excellent education	Classes to challenge children that move at a faster pace	Challenging classes		
caring relationships	small class size	honesty	social justice	Excellent education
Top tier public education	Diversity & acceptance	Appreciation for educators' experience & expertise	Anti-bullying	Preparation for success in life after school
Excellent education	Caring relationships	Diverse extracurricular activities		
Small class sizes	Communication with parents			
Unbiased teaching	Excellent education	Integrity	Less political opinions from teachers	Teachers treating all kids the same
Communication	Community outreach/involvement	Honesty	Teacher/student positive relationships & interactions	Respect
Small class sizes	Equality	Honesty	Transparency	Relationships
Integrity	Caring relationships	Social justice	Community partnerships	Diverse perspectives
ALL students should be treated equal and feel welcome	small class sizes	excellent education	better prepare students for non-college careers	better prepare students for real life - not so focused on sports
Quality education	Caring relationships	Small class sizes	Extra-curricular opportunities	Community involvement
Equality for all ethnicities and sexual genders. There appears to be a lot of prejudices in the district	Cutting back on verbal abuse towards classmates especially geared towards those that have special needs or are in the special education system	Include methods of calmness from kindergarten through 12th grade. Giving them the tools to control anxiety and depression on a regular basis as part of the routine of curriculum	Teaching more respect for others between classmates	Offering more classes that handle a wide range of learning
Inclusive	Diversity	Benevolence	Ethical	High quality education to support bright futures

External respondents					
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5	
Integrity (especially staff that didn't happen at a recent board meeting.	Special Ed in high school. (Not looking forward to transition in a couple years)	Education. (We need this at the forefront. It isn't the school's job to teach gender issues)	Play as learning in younger children.	Education in field trips. (Bring the field trips back!)	
Safe	Small class sizes	Equality	Nonpartisan	No politic/religion/sexualit y persuasion	
Honesty	Integrity	Small class sizes	Hands on learning opportunities	Caring relationships	
Integrity of curriculum focusing on core fundamentals not "woke" or other ideology	Excellent education	Fundamental learning (reading, math, science) focus	Community involvement	Flexibility for students with various learning styles	
Integrity	Caring relationships	Community partnerships	Clear communication	Striving for success	
Integrity	Transparency	Small class sizes			
Basic education Without Social Justice Teaching	Integrity	Small Class Sizes			
Value on overall educational experience (classroom and outside)	Sense of community	Small class size	Bulldog Strong!		
Pride	Honor	Respect	Virtue	Leading the way	
Excellent education					
Inclusion and safe environment for all students	Caring relationships	Excellent education	Small class sizes	Community partnerships	
Human Rights for All Students	Support of POC & LGBT students	Support of students with disabilities	Excellent Education	Support of Extracurricular activities that are not sports	
equal rights for ALL students not just the straight white ones. That board meeting with Betsy was atrocious!	small class sizes	caring relationships with students and staff	high education scores	Need a more diverse school board	
Integrity & Honesty	Current Ideology	Excellent Education	Student Inclusion	Diverse Perspectives	

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Please begin using strong boundaries for the "furries" in my student's classroom. This is disruptive, and inappropriate and does not belong in schools and classrooms. You can maintain a diverse student population without pitting these students against each other.	Please make education and good stewardship of the earth a priority, and less of a focus on sexual orientation and furries.			
Accountability of staff as well as students	Safety of all students/Staff (where are the police, not sheriff)	Educational experience	Diversity of classwork	Honesty
excellent education	parental involvement in what is being taught (awareness of gender education)	transparency with what is being taught (perhaps teachers are unaware of their promotion of political agendas)	caring relationships with students	excellent facilities and fields
Accountability	Honesty	Responsibility		(A comment area would be nice to explain disagrees)
Class size	Excellent Education	Caring	Respect	Social Justice
Small class size	Not pushing a political agenda in any form	Respecting everyone	A great learning environment	Fine arts
Excellent education	Small class sizes	_		
Small Class Sizes	Excellent Education	Resources	Community Involvement	Modern Technology
small class sizes	integrity	community partnership	excellent education	real life preparedness
Non-political	Organizational bias/outsiders bias (those with no children in the district) should not really have influence much	LGBTQ welcome/equal but not shoved down and pressed to accept as OUR PERSONAL values, however respected	As a new family to the district, is LGBTQ all the school is known for?	
Education	Small class sizes	I don't want political agendas taught to my children	I like that the flag is represented, and pledge of allegiance is said daily	Could update buildings
Small class sizes	Not giving into "woke" or mob mentality	Stricter dress code policies (for example not allowing dog/cat ears and or collars)		
Excellent Education	Small Class Sizes at all levels	Diverse perspectives		

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Diverse educational opportunities	Equitable educational opportunities	Small class sizes	Accountability by all	Open and honest dialog between teachers, parents, and administration
small class sizes				
diverse perspectives	social justice	caring relationships	environmental justice	integrity
small class sizes	caring relationships	balance for students	integrity	honesty
Kindness	Excellent Education	Trust	Caring Relationships	Small Class Sizes
Caring Relationships	Small Class Sizes	Excellent Education	Honesty	Community Partnerships
Zero tolerance for bullying	Equal budgets for all extra-curricular activities	Honesty		
Integrity	Smaller class sizes	Communication	Honesty	Community minded
Quality of teachers	Small class sizes	Quality of education	Opportunities	Honesty
smaller class sizes	unbiased teaching	excellent education		
Being a LEADER in their next steps after graduation	Being a TEAM PLAYER	RELATIONSHIPS	DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES	CARING environment
Too much lgbt freedom	Lack of family values	Lgbt pressure on normal students	I don't want any lgbt in the schools	Any more lgbt pressure and more children will be homeschooling
Honesty	Small class sizes	Integrity	Transparency	Ability to listen
education	integrity	transparency	community partnerships	opportunity
Excellent education with less distraction	Teachers not pushing their political beliefs on children	Teachers should not contribute to distraction but supporting children identifying as animals	Focus on mental wellness and education please!	Excellent education!!
Education opportunities	Honesty	Equality		
Small class sizes	More musical education	Fun environment	Excellent Education	Better food options (larger portions for the older children)
The school is supported by people & businesses in the community	Great sports programs. Field house is SO wonderful (but it needs attention to leaks & keeping moisture out, so it's maintained well for the future)	The school system has earned respect from parents & students by making choices that align with the families of current students.	Great teachers have retired recently & more this year. I really hope the same level of teaching/educating continues for our district.	Students, parents, teachers & community ALL play an important role & the schools/teachers need to keep focus on providing a 'healthy' education, not one that leans into newer cultural ideas that only represent a very small percentage of students. Hopefully that made sense!?
Committed to after school and out of class activities				

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Excellent education	Integrity	Safety		
Friendship	Service	Knowledge	Morality	Excellence
Inclusive culture	Acceptance/promotion of diversity	Environmental responsibility	Transparency	Open minded toward cultural changes
Honesty	Caring Relationships	Diverse Perspectives	Social justice	Integrity
Small class sizes	Caring relationships	No pushing of any political, social justice agendas etc. onto students.	Community Relationships	Respect
Future-proof Students	Teach Tomorrow's Technology Today			
Caring	Trust	Empathy	Encouragement	Positive
small class sizes	value of relationship building	pride		
Integrity	Respect for people and things	Lead by example	EQUITY for everyone	Critical Thinking
Provide opportunity for student to grow and use their talents	Students can read, write, and do math	Will be given the opportunity to be well rounded individuals with good facilities	Do what is necessary to allow teachers to succeed (curriculum, class sizes, support etc.)	Prepare student for real life.
Honesty	Empathy	Integrity	Academic Excellence	
Quality Education	Social Justice	Fiscal Responsibility	Honest Communication	Employee Accountability - that means admin too
Honesty	Community Partnerships	small class sizes	integrity	excellent education
Integrity	Honesty	Courage	Tenacity	Service
Diverse perspectives	Social justice	Equality and equity	Anti-racist	Integrity
Excellent Education	Safety of Students (reduce bullying)	Integrity	Responsibility/Account ability	Respect
Challenging curriculum for all	Diverse club/sport opportunities			
Nurturing staff	Goodwill at heart	Proud	Strong	Team
Compassion for all people	Integrity	Excellent education	Respect for all people	Service to others
Honesty	Compassion	Excellent Education	Smaller Class Sizes	Services for extra help
Integrity	High Academic Standards	Solid Role Models	Welcoming Community	
Small class sizes	Caring for students	Array of extra- curricular Activities for all ages		
Small class sizes	Excellent education			
Excellent education	Small class size	Integrity	Caring relationships	Honesty
Small class sizes	Excellent education	Caring relationships	Honesty	Community partnerships
Small class sizes				

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Diversity	Social justice	Environmental justice	Honesty	Safety for students
Relevancy	Transparency	Opportunities for life success	Visibility	Alternative learning for those not mainstream
Excellence/Do your best	Community	Growth mindset	Honesty	Encouragement/Gratitu de
Excellent Education	Honesty, Integrity, Caring relationships	Small Class Sizes	Environmental Justice	Social Justice
Diversity perspectives, equal rights vs. ethnic background	Social justice	Keep political bias out of the classroom from teaching staff, teach the curriculum not their personal views!!!	Smaller class size	School lunches need more quantity and taste better
Honesty	Excellent education	Small class sizes	Caring relationships	Community partnerships/volunteer
Equality in education (gifted and talented)				
Communication	Community	Relationship	Appearance	Diverse
Excellent education	Small class sizes	Caring relationships		
Diverse and Inclusive Perspectives	Equal Opportunity	Honesty and Integrity		
Small Class Size	Teacher commitment to CHILDREN	Advancements in learning opportunities	Communication	Making school a fun safe environment
Small class size	Diverse Perspective	excellent, fact based, education	Education paths for success for different student levels	Real world education; here is how you file taxes, build credit, etc.
Excellent education	integrity	small class sizes	competitiveness	community partnerships
best effort from students and teachers	leadership by example	ownership of actions by students and staff	safe environment for students and staff	judgement free, open, and honest communication by all
Quality Education - Not Indoctrination	Prepare youth to become responsible citizens	Instilling students with our culture and our shared history	Equip students to live as free and productive adults	Partnership — between school and family, between teacher and student
All students to like school.	All students to feel safe and equal.'	More curriculum options for 6th grade through 12th grade students.	Open relationships with parents, staff, and the community.	More opportunities for special needs students.
No judgement	Open communication	Everyone matters	Peer mentors	Ongoing Principal/Administrator leadership training
Small Class Sizes	Social Justice	Diversity	Excellence in Education	Integrity
Excellent education	Integrity	caring relationships	small class sizes	diverse perspectives
Equity	Diversity	Inclusion	Accessibility	Support LGBTQ students and staff
Excellent Education	Small Class Sizes	Accountability	Integrity	Teamwork

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
hiring and maintaining highly qualified teachers	small class sizes	high-quality and modern education	frequent, relevant, and honest communication	putting students first in order to ensure they are capable, self-directed learners who are able to have a positive impact on our community and beyond
Equality	Equality (athletics vs fine arts)	Equality (rich bs poor)	Equality (kids and alternative kids)	Keep politics out
Inclusivity	small class sizes	diverse teachers	excellent education	fiscal responsibility
Small class sizes	Honesty			
Honesty	Excellent education	Small class sizes	Integrity	Community partnerships
Conservative values (no crt or this gender stuff)	Small class sizes	Respect and honesty	Classes that teach them life skills and real history	Community partnerships
Caring relationships	Small class sizes	Excellent education	Community involvement	Extracurricular activities/athletic programs
Acceptance for all	Diversity	No political radicals on the school board	Education prioritized over sports(football)	No religion in schools (separation of church and state)
Honesty	Integrity	Transparency		
Honesty	Education	Caring	Small class sizes	
Integrity	Relationships	Diverse perspectives	Community involvement	Safe
Small class size	Neutral political teaching	No open enrollment	More Programming for gifted students	Sexual orientation and gender reassignment kept out of classes
Equity	Excellent Education	Community Partnerships	Small Class Sizes	Diversity
Caring	Relationships	Smaller Class sizes	Honesty	Integrity
Traditional wisdom	The Golden rule	Family supportive		
Excellent education	Honesty	Integrity	Caring relationships	
Excellent education	Small class size			
Small class sizes	Engaging students in new technology	Teaching time management	Not pushing political ideals onto children	
Basic life skills	Diversity	Integrity	Superior education	Technological innovation
Honesty	Caring relationships	Education opportunities	Welcoming community	Social justice
Excellent education/curriculum	Community partnerships	Integrity	Safety	
Integrity	Respect	Kindness	Motivation to learn	Honesty
Education	Smaller class sizes	Special needs students	Diversity	Inclusion
Excellent education	Small class sizes	Honesty	Athletic opportunities	Community partnerships
Honesty	Small class sizes	Respect		

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Excellent education	Good teachers and staff	Caring employees	Can talk to front office	Average class sizes
Small class sizes	Variety of educational opportunities	Keeping up with technology		
Communication with parents	Quality education in fundamentals	Smaller class size	Variety of opportunities	Antibullying
Small class sizing	More special education opportunities/testing	Excellent education opportunity	Caring teacher student relationships	Community partnership
Small class sizes	Up to date technology	Real world integrated learning	Diverse perspective	
Provide opportunities for gifted learners				
Diverse Perspectives	Equality	Integrity	Excellent Education	Communication
Excellent education	Core education value: math, science, history, English, and environmental science.	Adult issues and education are left for college attendants.		
Accountability for teachers	Fairness for ALL students			
Educational excellence	Integrity	Education over indoctrination	Traditional values	
Safety	Small class sizes	Community partnerships	Caring relationships	Honesty
HONESTY	RESPECT FOR ALL	FOCUS ON EDUCATION	CARING RELATIONSHIPS	WORKING TOGETHER
Excellent education	Transparency	Formal communication	Focus resources on ALL extracurricular activities	Include parents and families by offering school activities and programs during evening hours
Education	Caring relationships	Small class sizes		
Education	Social development	Family values		
High moral standards	Excellent education	Lots of opportunities (e.g., different PE games)	Academic options (e.g., advanced classes, unique classes)	Holding students & parents accountable
caring teacher/student relationships	transparency in what social issues the students are being taught about in school (and option to opt out). I don't want my kids being taught some of the sex ed topics that have been coming out lately.	excellent education	integrity	community involvement (please open back up the opportunities for parents to volunteer in the classrooms/watch dog dads/ eating lunch with our child)
Sense of belonging	Caring teachers	Solid in own beliefs	We value not having others agendas pushed onto our children!	A safe place for ACADEMIC learning!
Small class size				

External respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Do not Judge students choices	School food program is Poor	Board does not Value its Custodians etc	Transportation should be outsourced to save money	
Inclusion	Diversity	Diversity & Inclusion Education		
Honesty	Small class sizes			
Excellent education	Class sizes	Inclusion	Diversity	Stem opportunities
Class size	No indoctrination	Honesty	Integrity	Healthy child self esteem
Inclusion	Diversity	Social Emotional Learning		
Transparency	Fair and aligned opportunities for all	Honesty	Integrity	Genuine and Caring staff
Integrity	Small Class Size	Excellent Education	Excellent School Facilities - buildings and grounds	Relationships
Small class sizes/high education standards	Keep God in our school and the front of our decisions	Caring relationships between staff and students and students and students	INTEGRITY We value strength of character, honesty and courage, guided by a strong moral code of behavior	Gratitude – We practice gratitude for our parents, our teachers, our free country, and our beautiful school
Career/college/real world readiness	Building a 'Community of Care', like Liberty Elementary in Big Lake	Small class sizes	High standards for each student as an individual	
Small class sizes	Well paid and educated teachers	Excellent education		
Patriotism	Community Values	Reward hard work	Respect is earned	Parental rights
Integrity	Fairness	Diverse Perspectives	Education	Honesty
Inclusion	Kindness	Integrity	Humility	Open mindedness
Excellent education	Great extracurricular activities	Caring faculty	Nice campus	Makes the community proud
Education First	Excellent education	Integrity		
Inclusivity	Transparency	Communication	Safety	Excellent education
Excellent Education	Caring Relationships	Career and Technical Development	Small Class Sizes	
Equity	Inclusion	Diverse views on school board	Less influence of religious/far right-wing families	Safe place for all kids, families, and views
Excellent education	Small class sizes	Keeping political beliefs/opinions of teachers out of the classroom		
Small class sizes				
The district is awesome and cares about kids	The district has excellent administration who are honest and visible	The district has an excellent education and prepares students for their future	The district takes care of their students and staff	The district communicates effectively

External respondents					
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5	
Honesty	Excellent Education	Diversity	Acceptance/Anti- Bullying	Community	
Small class sizes	Caring relationships				
Excellent education	Small class sizes	Parental involvement and decision making			
Small class sizes	Excellent education	Community partnerships	Integrity	Caring relationships	
Excellent education	Respect for all student no matter families income	Teaching kids to be kind to each other	Teaching day to day essentials, like understanding student loans credit cards banking		
Well-rounded education	Consistent education	Nonpartisan			
No CRT being part of curriculum	Moments of silence should not be politically motivated	Improved administration (i.e.: principals)	Teachers who care about students, even those with challenging behaviors	5th grade shouldn't be run as if kids are 13, they are 10/11	
Install solar	Expand camp opportunity	Excellent education	Environment justice	Small class sizes	
Education	Community partnership	Small class size	Career placements	Honesty	
Small class size	Extra help for students who are struggling	Caring staff	Good values	Inclusive	
Class sizes	Critical thinkers	Social justice	Perseverance		
Excellent education	Diverse perspectives	Integrity	Caring relationships		
Excellent education	Diverse perspectives				
Open communication	Valuing parent input	Putting kids/not budgets first	Integrity	Honesty	

### Perception Survey of the Becker Schools – Internal Stakeholders

Additional comments: Internal respondents were given the opportunity to answer an openended question in the survey.

**<u>CONTENT OF SURVEY</u>**: The survey consisted of the following question with its respective responses:

 During the Strategic Planning process Belief Statements (also known as Value Statements) will be developed for Becker. Please share up to 5 values that you hold for the school. Values might include: honesty, integrity, caring relationships, small class sizes, social responsibility, environmental responsibility, excellent education, diverse perspectives, community partnerships, etc.

Internal respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
valuing diverse perspectives	building positive relationships	teaching responsibility & respect	building partnerships with the community	positive building atmosphere for students and staff
Excellent education	Honesty	Collaborative	Equality	Caring relationships
Transparency	Social justice	diverse perspectives	honesty	small class sizes
excellent education	integrity	small class sizes	athletics	honesty
social justice	honesty	small class sizes	diverse perspectives	integrity
Building Climate - staff and students	Diverse Perspectives	Honesty	Integrity	Open, Honest Communication
integrity	caring relationships	honesty	every student is valued	every staff member is valued
Diverse Perspectives	Caring Relationships	Excellent Education	Social Justice	Community Partnerships
Diversity	Equity	Inclusion	Broad perspectives	Diligence
small class sizes	caring relationships	integrity	trust	balance
Excellent education	Caring relationships	Integrity	Honesty	
Teaching the basics of education and not allow a few teachers to push their agenda on sexuality.	Make school policies known and enforce them, we have good policies.	See the value in all children and beliefs, not just those that create noise that shuts out others.	Teach and maintain integrity in work and actions	Hold truth and honesty in high esteem.
small class sizes	inclusive relationships	social justice	environmental justice	caring relationships
Safe and inclusive environment	Viable and stable curriculum	Consistent evaluation process of all teachers	Open communication at all levels	Strong focus Triple A
Professional development (training for teachers) Students are more than	Excellence in education	Small class sizes	Integrity	
just a number, or data. Their social/emotional well-being are vital to their academic and personal success.				
Kindness/Respect towards all members of the district	Small Class Sizes that allow students to be taught and challenged at their level	We are here to learn together, despite differences	An education that meets students where they are at. support for those who struggle/enrichment for those who excel	Community Partnership
Competitive	Caring	Community		
excellent education	honesty	integrity	small class sizes	Not letting a few kids control the climate in our district
truth	unaltered history	parent involvement	excellent education	relationships
small class sizes	enough support for special needs	positive work environment	continued education for both teachers and paras	integrity
Caring relationships	Integrity	Honesty	Manners	Excellent education

Internal respondents				
Value 1	Value 2	Value 3	Value 4	Value 5
Integrity	Caring relationships	Excellent education	Small class sizes	
Fidelity (actually doing it and not just saying it)	Transparency	value of staff	Accountability	Truthful and open communication
caring relationships	diverse perspectives	integrity		
Honesty & Integrity	Small class sizes for younger learners	Excellent education	Caring relationships	Policy enforcement
Excellent Education	Small Class Sizes	Honesty	Parent Recognition/Input	Disciplinary Consequences
integrity	building relationship	effective instruction		
Smaller class sizes	Caring relationships	Honesty at all levels of administration	More paraprofessional support in the classroom	
Relationships	Small classroom size	Mental Health	Excellent education	Partnership in decisions
Quality education	Positive relationships	Extracurriculars	Strong community	Respect
BETTER STAFFING	HONESTY	WORKING TOGETHER	EVEN AND FAIR DISTRIBUTION OF BENEFITS-ALL HOURS COUNT NO MATTER UNION	RESPECT
Diverse Perspective	Social Justice	Responsibility	Integrity	Empathy
Inclusion	Equality	Diversity	Discussion	Expectation
I value all voices including diverse perspectives, even if I disagree.	I value integrity among staff and students.	I value teachers and paraprofessionals being respected and treated as professionals.		
Fellowship	Integrity	Strong STEM Programs	Skills/Trades highly valued	Small class sizes