

## Improvements Seen

- Students new to the system/area are doing okay
- Good communication between families and school district
- Security has greatly increase and is more vigorous  
Ex. Students are reminded constantly to wear their ID's at all times by staff, security, and over the school's announcements

## Improvements Needed

- Walking students- is there any way to support them and make sure they are safe?
- The physical building of the schools need improvement
- Need more [active] student voice & leadership roles  
Ex. An involved Student Council, not just titles
- "Welcome basket" [a type of package including important resources,etc.] for newcomer family/immigrants

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- Increase of parent(s)/guardian(s) face to face contact <<can also be improved>>
- There are always Spanish teachers

## Improvements Needed

- Lowell Education Justice Alliance (LEJA) has fought for more recess time
- LEJA Youth Group is developing a forum to address funding LPS
- There should be school bus monitors or helpers in the back of every bus
- Activities for different cultures
- Involve the teens in the extracurricular activities
- More diverse staff in leadership
- Working with outside organizations
- Special Needs Education

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- Security
  - Front Desk
  - Parents Informed & Involved
  - Drills
- Communications
  - Voicemails in native languages
- This particular program (YVM)
- Family Resource Center
  - Families are more involved
- Drug Education
  - >Kids are aware of opioid

## Improvements Needed

- Security
  - >High School Incidents
  - >Harassment
  - >Bullying
- Reaching out to parents
  - >Minority groups
  - >Educate parents, not just meetings
- Accountabilities & Management
- After school programs for all schools not just a few
- Police presence @ Murkland Neighborhood
- Dress Code for Students
  - >Easier to ID intruder

## Improvements Seen

- STEM Academy improved
- Very involved with kids; good communication

What progress has been made on hiring diverse staff?  
Are we making progress or are we not? [Let the public know]

Does LHS have the sufficient services/curriculum for students with different disabilities?

## Improvements Needed

- School Climate for kids of color = very negative
  - >No one at the school for them to go to
- Lack of respect for students of color
- There's cases of bullying
  - >A son in 3rd grade was being bullied
- Staff members degrading Special Needs students
  - >Being told they'll never read and write or integrate in a classroom
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## Improvement Seen

- Doing well for a large community
- Special Ed. Program
- Sports Programs (Swimming/ Rowing) like more affluent districts
- Fiscal audit has highlighted areas for growth
- Pre-School expansion but must sustain funding
- Emergency preparedness and security

## Improvements Needed

- Pathways beyond secondary level
- Bullying
- Long term plan to improve priority areas especially Facilities
- Better collaboration between schools and city, especially with families maintenance
- One New facility for an Early Childhood Center
- Fix the school funding errors at the state level
- Bring back library aides
- Renovate the High School [LHS]
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What's in the way of DPW fixing things fast?

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- Fix buildings
- Not enough information available for parents who want to volunteer
- Wishing that the STEM will find space for 8th grade for a good transition
- Increase availability of resources
- There should be a medical person who decides whether the school is too hot or too cold.

# Ideas

- Why aren't we putting the parents in the schools?
  - Parents of Special Ed. kids
  - Parents of color
  - Parents of volunteers to be professionalized
- Every parent spends time volunteering at school
- Fewer kids per class
- Have a Kids Idea Day
- Stop trying and start doing to improve School Climate
- Have a place where students can be heard
- Make the changes students are requesting