East Troy School District

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District Releases Results of Community-wide Survey

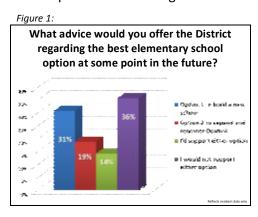
East Troy, WI – The East Troy School Board recently received the results from a community—wide survey conducted this fall.

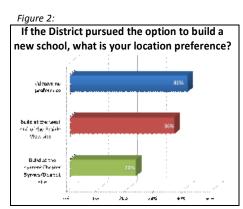
More than 700 of the East Troy community participated in a survey intended to help establish future plans related to instruction, facilities, budgeting and technology. The survey was developed and results were analyzed by School Perceptions LLC, an independent Wisconsinbased firm with expertise conducting school district surveys.

"We sincerely appreciate the support our community continues to provide the District, and we would like to thank those who took the time to participate in the survey," said Dr. Chris Hibner, District Administrator. "The East Troy Schools are focused on becoming the *District of Choice*. To accomplish this vision, we are working on several facets of the District at once, and the process is a delicate balancing act of addressing the needs of our students, staff, and parents, while also respecting the priorities of our taxpayers. Through this survey process, we have learned what people value as well as areas in which we can improve."

Among the findings,

- Overall, 84% of the respondents who had an opinion were either "Very Satisfied" or "Satisfied" with the District.
- Overall, 89% of the respondents who had an opinion either "Strongly Agreed" or "Agreed" that the District does a good job preparing students to be successful.
- Overall, 64% of respondents that live in the District support some facility upgrade for the primary elementary levels. Advice to build a new school was 31%, choosing renovation was 19%, and supporting either option 14%. See Figure 1.
- If pursuing the option to build a new school, 36% preferred the west end of the Prairie View site, 23% preferred the current Chester Byrnes/Doubek site and 41% had no preference. See Figure 2.





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- The items receiving the highest level of importance when developing future budget operations include:
 - o Developing student employability skills
 - Providing access to the latest technology
 - o Maintaining current educational programs
 - Providing access to current textbooks and resources
- In addition to quantitative data, community members provided comments about various issues. Comment themes included overall high marks for the teachers, schools and district, as well as words encouraging the District to emphasize employability skills and assisting children to have success in their life.

"As a board, we are committed to developing a cost effective plan to address our most urgent needs. This survey represents an on-going community dialogue which we are committed to continuing," said School Board President William Garvens. "We thank the community again for their participation."

A complete powerpoint with all survey results is available on the East Troy District webpage at www.easttroy.k12.wi.us.