

Harrisburg School District Student Empathy Interviews  
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What is the Best Thing about being a student in the Harrisburg School District?

- Welding and Shop
  - "I love it here. Best of all the schools I've been in. I have a job because of these classes."
  - Teacher is willing to help us and go beyond and personalize it for us.
- People
  - Nice and welcoming, students and staff
  - Helpful Teachers
  - Joke around
- Teachers - "That's different than other schools."
  - Really nice
  - They care
  - Helpful- asking you if you need help
- Teachers
  - No problems with a specific class
  - They're understanding
  - They pay attention
  - Not so much in MS but in HS I enjoy them
- All teachers kind and nice
- I go to class and I feel comfortable and ready to learn
- I like how teachers speak and help every student with their own needs
- Alt Ed - Credit Recovery Class
  - Having a quiet space in that classroom
  - Was in danger of not graduating, and Alt Ed has helped me a lot
- Teachers
  - I feel comfortable talking and getting help from them
  - They are supportive
- None

What is your Least Favorite thing about being a student in the HSD?

- Advisory
  - Don't plan on going to college, don't want student loans. Advisory doesn't meet my needs since I'm not going to college.
    - Wants to go to trade school
- Nothing. Not a lot I don't like
- This is my favorite I've ever been to
- How Students treat other Students
  - Normal for schools to have that

- Kids are uncomfortable being in a class because they know others don't like them
- Don't really like the school work
  - Too boring, it's not too much work, just same over and over
  - Assignments are too straightforward
- Lunches
  - They get out of hand
  - Food is thrown
  - Messy all over the cafeteria
  - Stuff happens all over campus at lunch
- Not really a least favorite. Don't have anything.
- Need more diversity in classes
- Bullying
  - Not real bad, just certain people being picked on

Tell us about your experiences with CTE classes or programs:

- Have good things in this are. They have it covered.
- Could use more specific classes around ag and shop
- "I love it here."
- In Ag
  - It's fun
- Thinking about welding and woodshop
- To Add:
  - Engineering
- Took intro welding and ag as 9th grader
  - It was good
  - Great for those who want to go into the field
- Need more
  - Options....we are like a farm school
  - More AP and College Prep courses
  - More Health Sciences
    - Biology
    - Oceanography
- Took intro to trades
  - Teaching you the welding
  - The process is really smooth....I liked it
- Needed Offerings
  - Engineering
- No CTE yet
- Wants to take shop
  - "It's cool and I'd enjoy it."
- "We need a "Careers Class" to see what's out there, and then we'd know what we'd like to do."

- Doesn't have CTE
  - Would want to take them, but chose art over those classes (scheduling)
  - Thinks we have good options
- Enjoys Art
  - Fun
  - Get to do what I like
  - "I'm not stressed about assignments."
- Have taken Woods, but not others
- I want the others, but I'm not into them as much
- Had plant science, welding and 2 years woodshop
- 2 years FFA
  - Had fun in all 4 classes
  - Enjoyed the teachers....they're my favorite
- Other offerings should include Mechanics class
  - It fits kids' needs to work on cars

