The WASC visiting committee reports the following school wide areas of strength for Ferndale High School:

- Caring, competent, and committed teachers provide high-quality instruction which utilizes varied strategies for students to demonstrate mastery.
- The commitment of the school administration, faculty, and counselor to meet the needs of all students by providing academic support, real world experiences, and a rigorous curriculum aligned to the state standards.
- The safe, clean, and supportive environment which encourages a sense of family among administration, faculty, staff, students, and community.
- The welcoming, friendly, open, and courteous students who take pride in their school.