# **Elevating student** leadership through **Human Centered** Design

Eden Prairie, Hopkins and St. Louis Park

### Outcome

Leaders Will:

Learn about a strategy used in an inter-district collaboration to elevate student voice and leadership and improve/ensure inclusiveness in the the school culture and environment.



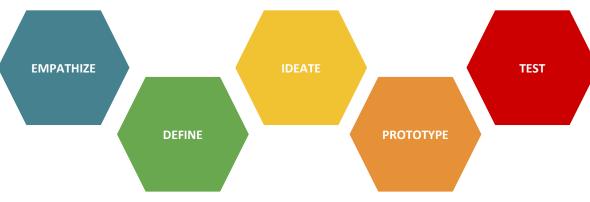
# **Design Challenge**

Increase student leadership, student voice, and student action to increase racial consciousness and create racially equitable schools and communities.





### Howitworks





# Start with Empathy

#### Why

Foundational Work

Understand user problems

Observe Engage Immerse

How



# Start with Empathy Define the Problem



# Define the problem

#### Why

Unpack the empathy work Identify problem

#### How

Understand Point of View



# Start with Empathy Define the Problem Ideate, Ideate, Ideate



# Ideate, Ideate, Ideate

Why

Idea generation Flare vs. Focus How

Multiple Perspectives Volume

Radical thinking

Be Open



Start with Empathy Define the Problem Ideate, Ideate, Ideate Prototype



## Prototype

#### Why

Experience

Possibilities

#### **How** Gain Empathy Explore Test Inspire



Start with Empathy Define the Problem Ideate, Ideate, Ideate Prototype **Test (Implement)** 



# Test (Implement)

#### Why

Learn

Gather Feedback

Refinement

How Try it! - in interesting

### What's Next

What went well with the event? What are/were the areas of struggle? What has happened since the events? المتعالمة والمتلك

# **Hopkins Royal Reps**

**A Student-Led Community Engagement Team** 

### The Journey From Great to World Class

By: The Royal Reps

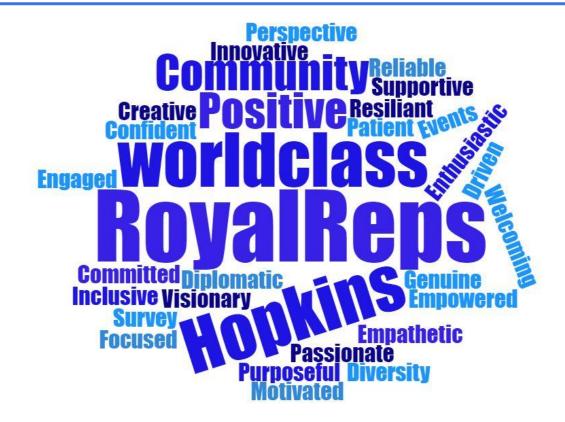


Great to World Class Hopkins Public Schools

#### Our Mission Statement

[is to] facilitate a Great to World Class Community Engagement Process that yields input from the Hopkins community to inform our World Class vision, our core values as a community, and our strategic direction.

#### The Superintendent's Dream...



### What We Did This Summer











#### RASPBERRY FESTIVAL





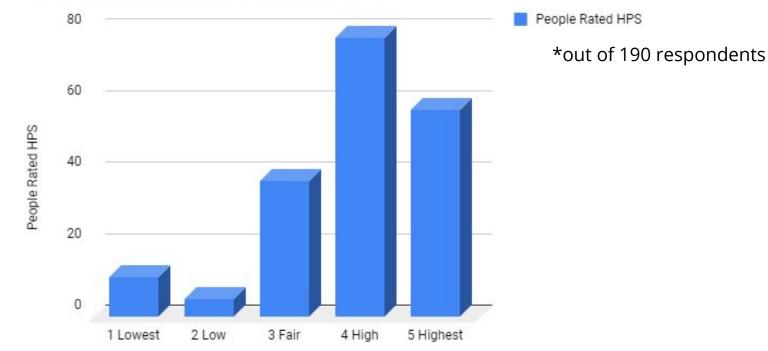


### Data Collection

- Range of...
  - $\circ~$  Involvement with HPS
  - Age groups
  - Geographic area
  - Ethnicities

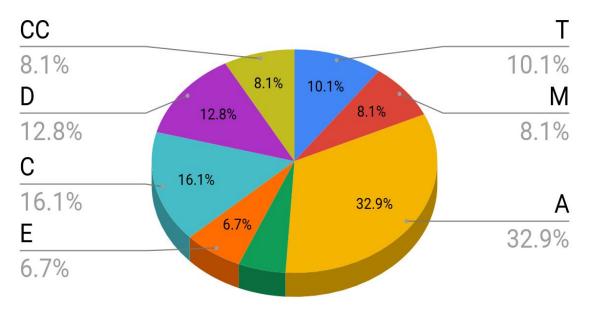
### Rating of Hopkins

Survey Respondents' Ratings of HPS



# Best Thing About HPS

#### **Respondents Like Best About HPS**



#### CC - Community Connection

- D Diversity
- C Culture "Other"
- E Extracurricular
- S Students
- T Teachers/Staff
- M Misc
- A Academics

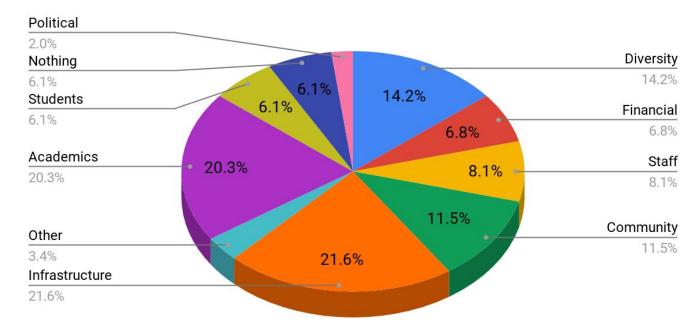
# Some Strengths Are:

- Academic category
  - $\circ$  Variety of classes
  - Special Ed & Gifted Programs
  - AP and Honors Classes
- Diversity in student body, rich culture
- Inclusive and Supportive Staff

# In three or four words, what is the weakest part of HPS?

### Weakest Part of HPS

#### Weakest Thing About HPS



### Some Weaknesses Are:

- Academics:
  - Too many large class sizes, and a heavy homework load
  - Not enough racial multiculturalism in AP classes
  - Need more support for students
- Leadership:
  - Lack of diversity in teachers and staff
  - Unresolved student conflicts disrupt learning
- Marketing: Surrounding community less aware of success

### Our Vision





### Our Vision for HPS in 2031

#### **Students as Global Citizens**

- Students actively seek to understand other countries' perspectives: current, historical, and political
- Students see themselves as part of global community
- More World Languages offered, immersion programs expanded
- Able to navigate world, relates well cross-culturally

### Our Vision for HPS in 2031

#### School Experience as Practice for Global Citizenship

- Teacher/ Student connections authentic and supportive
- Peer Networks promoted, extended beyond friend group
- Students engaged in learning about classmates' cultural backgrounds
- Leadership and business skills developed; influencing collaboratively
- All students engaged in positive change in their respective schools

### Our Vision for HPS in 2031

#### Students Caring for the Environment and Their Community

- Eco-friendly focus: Green building practices, incorporate student learning opportunities.
- Sustainable, real world applications (i.e. native plant garden, rooftop greenhouse).
- Community connections fostered: internships, small business associations, other school districts.
- Community Service Project continued in high school.

# Royal Reps - We Did It!

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