RESULTS: 2024 AMSD / BrightWorks Conference Evaluation

An overview of the survey responses to the 2024 AMSD and BrightWorks Conference.

Response Breakdown / 20 responses

Superintendents	6
School Board Member	7
District Administrator	3
District Staff	3
Other (Outside District Support)	1
TOTAL	20

This conference and the information shared by the presenters provided positive steps toward "Engaging Communities for Educational Excellence."

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- Don't Know

STRONGLY AGREE	13
AGREE	7

PRESENTATION RATINGS.

Community-Engaged Leadership as an Equity Imperative (Dr. Darrius Stanley)

DEFINITELY	13
SOMEWHAT	4
DID NOT ATTEND	2

STUDENT PANEL DISCUSSION

DEFINITELY	13
SOME	3
NO	1
DID NOT ATTEND	1

How We Know Better, So We Can Do Better (Roseville Area Schools)

DEFINITELY	9
SOME	3
NO	1
DID NOT ATTEND	4

Minnesota School Integration Story (BrightWorks)

DEFINITELY	6
SOME	0
NO	0
DID NOT ATTEND	9

Social Justice in the Classroom (West St. Paul-Mendota Heights-Eagan School District 197)

DEFINITELY	11
SOME	2
DID NOT ATTEND	4

Realizing the Read Act: A Literacy Partnership for Success (Anoka-Hennepin Schools)

DEFINITELY	3
SOME	1
NO	1
NOT RELEVANT TO MY WORK	9

Leadership Matters: A Model for Principal Culturally Responsive Leadership Support, Improvement and Evaluation (Edina Public Schools)

DEFINITELY	7
SOME	5
DID NOT ATTEND	4

Public/Private Partnerships that Transform Students' Career and College Experiences (St. Cloud Area Schools)

DEFINITELY	2
SOME	0
NO	0
NOT RELEVANT TO MY WORK	1
DID NOT ATTEND	9

"It Takes a Village" to Support Students' Literacy (BrightWorks)

DEFINITELY	3
SOME	2
NO	0
NOT RELEVANT TO MY WORK	0
DID NOT ATTEND	9

Conference Logistics

Registration Process

EXCELLENT	16
GOOD	3
AVERAGE	0
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	0

Facility Space

EXCELLENT	15
GOOD	4
AVERAGE	0
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	0

Access to Materials and Handouts

EXCELLENT	14
GOOD	4
AVERAGE	1
NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	0

COMMENTS

Awesome job team!
Excellent
Great day of learning and engaging with many other district personnel/experts. Grateful to be in the spaces.
I agree with the premise of Dr. Stanley's keynote presentation however I found it to contain a lot of over-generalizations to the work we do and the situations we face in districts. Also, his slides linked on the conference website are not the ones used in his presentation.
I enjoyed the sessions where students presented information or their perspective on education. I think their suggestions align with research and best practice.
I was about 15 minutes into one session before I realized it was a salespitch of sorts- I'm fairly new in my role so maybe that was clear to others but I would have rather known that early on so I could have made a different choice.

Regarding the student panel, please work with and prepare the student presenters not to share specific information about teachers, experiences, or situations in their district. The example of the Paynesville student regarding her biology teacher was really unfortunate. Additionally, there was an attendee recording the panel presentation, and that specific discussion, on their phone. There should be norms and expectations for attendees to not video these sessions for personal use. Not sure that AMSD or school districts would want personal videos out on social media or shared publicly with conflicting or possibly disparaging information. Further, were the student panel members/parents ok with being recorded as school districts have procedures for allowing students to opt out of photos and videos?
Since Election Day my message is to tell the world we need to be the keepers of hope for our kids during the next 4 years. The conference today gave me the hope that through community engagement we will survive and flourish. Student voice was fabulous and the presenter had the passion to convince me that what is being done counts and creates hope for the kids. Great event, thank you. the next 4 years.My goal
Thank you for the great conference. I can’t stop thinking about the Story of Integration in MN session, so impactful!
Very thought provoking conference, that met the needs of a variety of districts. Well done.