



## Thought Exchange Information



813  
Participants



688  
Thoughts



17,820  
Ratings



504

Participants shared  
thoughts



554

Participants rated  
thoughts



485

Participants explored  
thoughts





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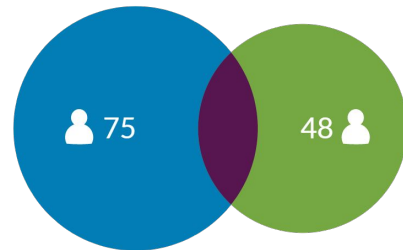
Group	Invites Sent (*approximate)	# Participants	% of total group
Parents Only	5,900	401	7%
Staff Only	*500	249	49%
Staff Member & Parent	*400	147	37%



## DIFFERENCES

Throughout The Year | Labor Day [75 | 48]

MSD Staff Member



### Side A

I would prefer to have the school year start **before Labor Day**. Nice to get out earlier in June and not go so late into the month.

★ 4.5 ★ 1.2

I **love options C or D** I love the idea of starting earlier and having more breaks throughout the school year to help prevent burn out.

★ 4.6 ★ 1.4

### Side A/B Common (high)

I like having Parent Teacher Conference in October, but it's far too long to wait until May for spring conferences. Can that date be earlier?

Currently, there are over 6 months between conferences, and having them in May is too close to the end of the school year to address problems.

★ 4.3 ★ 4.5

Kids coming back on a Monday is a **waste of a day**. Lots of students will skip the last day.

★ 4.6 ★ 4.3

### Side B

Start after labor day!

★ 1.6 ★ 4.9

I like the option A, let's not try and start **before labor day because many kids will be absent anyway**. Many kids will be absent if we start too early

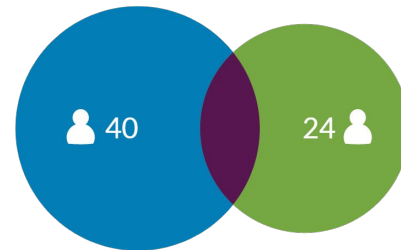
★ 1.2 ★ 4.7



## DIFFERENCES

Throughout The Year | Summer [40 | 24]

MSD Staff Member and MSD parent



### Side A

**Option D** I think it would be nice to spread the days off throughout the year!

★ 4.8   ★ 1.6

**Love the idea of extra days off spread throughout the year** Gives essential mini-breaks to recharge

★ 4.7   ★ 1.6

### Side A/B Common (high)

**Can a couple of the models be adjusted so we aren't finishing the school year on a Monday or Tuesday?**

It seems like student attendance would be bad and staff don't want to come back for 1 or 2 days in June like we are this year.

★ 4.7   ★ 4.0

**Having the day before Thanksgiving off was very helpful.** There's a lot to do when you are hosting Thanksgiving and having that extra time is helpful. Lots of families also travel for the

### Side B

**Please stop trying to start in August.** I enjoy my summer. I don't want to start before Labor Day-- I have standing plans at the end of every August.

★ 1.4   ★ 4.9

**Option A or B only.** Summer is already very short. Spreading breaks out throughout the year does not add more family time for families with full time working parents.

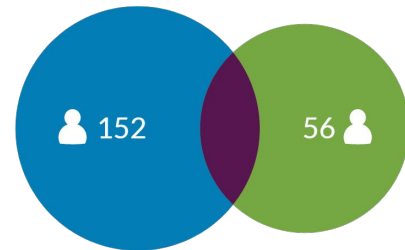
★ 1.7   ★ 4.8



## DIFFERENCES

Start After Labor | Start Before Labor [152 | 56]

MSD Parent



### Side A

Start after Labor Day... no good reasons to change what we are used to

★ 5.0 ★ 1.3

start after labor day longer summer

★ 5.0 ★ 1.3

### Side A/B Common (high)

I don't think students will return for a Monday only on the last week of school.

★ 4.2 ★ 4.2

Late start/early dismissal on wednesdays needs to be the same across all the school grades...pick 1

★ 4.1 ★ 3.7

### Side B

I like the idea of starting before Labor Day. Most other schools start earlier.

★ 1.2 ★ 4.3

Whole thanksgiving week off and start in August Thanksgiving week needs extra prep and travel availability for a lot of families. Partial weeks aren't very productive anyway.

★ 1.2 ★ 3.8





## Calendar Committee Recommendation

- 2 year calendar adoption – 2023/24 & 2024/25
- First day of school prior to Labor Day
  - New state required non-school day Juneteenth
  - Better alignment with the trend for other Districts in our area
  - Maintain 4 day weekend over Labor Day
  - Allows for 3 extra small breaks for staff and students
    - November, February & May
- Moved Spring Parent Conferences to March instead of May
- Winter Break Aligned with Districts in our area
- Spring Break Aligned with Oregon schools