



The Mayor's Education Summit is a community process on how the City can help address the opportunity gap and disparities in our public schools.

Through a series of community meetings, online surveys, and culminating in an Education Summit event, City staff asked community to help identify ways to improve educational opportunities for all children and youth in Seattle by answering the following questions:

What barriers do Seattle students, particularly student of color, face?

What is the solution to overcome?

Several common threads were voiced across all the feedback that was gathered and can be heard in the comments within every theme:

1. The community repeated time and time again the desire to have **race and culture affirmed and valued within school and student activities.**
2. Additional **support for student and family's home language is needed**--- from teacher conferences, to translated materials, to afterschool programs held in various languages.
3. The community also voiced the desire for schools to have **adequate funding that is both fair and flexible.**

Nine themes emerged

Improving School Climate
Improving Family/Community Engagement and Partnerships
Strengthening Post-Secondary Access and Attainment
Recruiting, Supporting, Retaining a Diverse and High-Quality Educator Workforce
Expanding Access to Quality Early Learning
Improving In-School Instruction and Programming
Supporting Community and Family Needs
School-City Collaboration
Improving Access to Quality Expanded K-12 Opportunities

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