### **Budget Input 2013**



### 1. What best describes your relationship to the district?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Instructional staff member (non-administrative)	45.4%	99
Non-instructional staff member (custodial, food service, transportation, technology)	11.9%	26
Administrator	4.1%	9
Parent	29.4%	64
Student	3.7%	8
Other community member	5.5%	12
	answered question	218
	skipped question	0

#### 2. Which level do you work at / attend or have the most interest?

	Response Percent	Response Count
High School Level	41.4%	87
Middle Level (5-8)	28.6%	60
Primary Level (Pk-4)	30.0%	63
	answered question	210
	skipped question	8

# 3. Do you ever rent district facilities or belong to a group that does use our facilities outside of the school day?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	13.9%	30
Yes- I am a primary renter (e.g. I complete the rental agreement(s))	1.9%	4
No	82.9%	179
Unsure	1.4%	3
	answered question	216
	skipped question	2

### 4. How important do you feel it is to balance the district's budget this year?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Vital - the budget must be balanced; that is a basic responsibility of the district and Board	15.2%	20
Important - it is important to balance the budget, but offsetting some deficit by using reserves is okay	83.3%	110
Not important	1.5%	2
	answered question	132
	skipped question	86

### 5. Do you feel that students have adequate access to supplies such as papers, books, other instructional materials (except technology)?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	80.2%	105
No	14.5%	19
No opinion	5.3%	7
	answered question	131
	skipped question	87

### 6. Do you feel that staff have adequate access to supplies such as papers, books, other instructional materials (except technology)?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	72.0%	95
No	21.2%	28
No opinion	6.8%	9
	answered question	132
	skipped question	86

### 7. Do you feel students have adequate access to technology in school?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	50.0%	66
No	43.2%	57
No opinion	6.8%	9
	answered question	132
	skipped question	86

#### 8. Do you feel staff have adequate access to technology in school?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	70.5%	93
No	25.8%	34
No opinion	3.8%	5
	answered question	132
	skipped question	86

#### 9. Do you feel students are properly challenged with the current math curriculum?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	36.6%	48
No	26.0%	34
No opinion	37.4%	49
	answered question	131
	skipped question	87

### 10. Do you feel students are properly challenged with the current reading/English curriculum?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	51.5%	67
No	16.2%	21
No opinion	32.3%	42
	answered question	130
	skipped question	88

### 11. Do you feel that the current telephone system facilitates communication with parents?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	71.5%	93
No	13.8%	18
No opinion	14.6%	19
	answered question	130
	skipped question	88

### 12. When considering budget reductions, how would you balance instructional priorities?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Academic needs must be placed first.	63.6%	84
Academic and extra-curricular needs must be balanced with a slight priority to academics.	33.3%	44
Academic and extra-curricular needs must be balanced.	1.5%	2
Academic and extra-curricular needs must be balanced with a slight priority to extra-curriculars.	1.5%	2
Extra-curricular needs should be placed first.	0.0%	0
	answered question	132
	skipped question	86

### 13. Have you applied for any type of outside grant this year? (Monsanto, CFNI, NEA, etc.)

		esponse Percent	Response Count
Yes		18.9%	25
No		81.1%	107
	answered q	uestion	132
	skipped q	uestion	86

### 14. How important do you feel it is to balance the district's budget this year?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Vital - the budget must be balanced; that is basic responsibility of the district and Board	39.8%	33
Important - it is important to balance the budget, but offsetting some deficit by using reserves is okay	57.8%	48
Not important	2.4%	2
	answered question	83
	skipped question	135

### 15. Do you feel that students have adequate access to supplies such as papers, books, other instructional materials (except technology)?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	69.5%	57
No	24.4%	20
No opinion	6.1%	5
	answered question	82
	skipped question	136

#### 16. Do you feel students have adequate access to technology in school?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	58.5%	48
No	40.2%	33
No opinion	1.2%	1
	answered question	82
	skipped question	136

#### 17. Do you feel students are properly challenged with the current math curriculum?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	57.3%	47
No	41.5%	34
No opinion	1.2%	1
	answered question	82
	skipped question	136

### 18. Do you feel students are properly challenged with the current reading/English curriculum?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	67.1%	55
No	31.7%	26
No opinion	1.2%	1
	answered question	82
	skipped question	136

# 19. When you call the school, are you easily able to get to the correct person to address your issue?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	75.6%	62
No	14.6%	12
Not applicable	9.8%	8
	answered question	82
	skipped question	136

#### 20. When considering budget reductions how would you balance instructional priorities?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Academic needs must be placed first.	36.6%	30
Academic and extra-curricular needs must be balanced with a slight priority to academics.	47.6%	39
Academic and extra-curricular needs must be balanced.	9.8%	8
Academic and extra-curricular needs must be balanced with a slight priority to extra-curriculars.	4.9%	4
Extra-curricular needs should be placed first.	1.2%	1
	answered question	82
	skipped question	136

### 21. If you have a child in grades 7 to 12, has he/she not been able to participate in athletics or any other extra-curricular program because of the participation fee?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	9.8%	8
No	41.5%	34
I don't have any students in grades 7 to 12.	48.8%	40
	answered question	82
	skipped question	136

### 22. Do you feel that the current school facilities are adequate for the students and the community?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	76.1%	162
No	18.8%	40
No opinion	5.2%	11
	answered question	213
	skipped question	5

### 23. Do you feel that the school buildings are kept clean and inviting?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	74.8%	160
No	19.2%	41
No opinion	6.1%	13
	answered question	214
	skipped question	4

#### 24. Please provide any comments about the district's school facilities.

	Count
	56
answered question	56
skipped question	162

Response

### 25. Current elementary student fees are \$90; Middle School fees are \$120 & NBHS fees are \$250. Should the Board consider changing these for the 2012-2013 school year?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes - fees should be increased in proportion to the increased costs of running the schools	22.3%	47
No - fees should be left at the current rate	32.7%	69
No - fees should be reduced	10.4%	22
Maybe - Fees should be set to align with the fees in other area districts	34.6%	73
	answered question	211
	skipped question	7

### 26. Should the district consider a technology fee of \$20 to \$25 to help improve student access to computers and other technologies?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	56.5%	118
No	35.9%	75
No opinion	7.7%	16
	answered question	209
	skipped question	9

# 27. Should the district consider a transportation fee of \$30 for all students (including those who don't ride the bus) to help cover the anticipated reduction in state transportation funding?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	26.1%	55
No	66.4%	140
No opinion	7.6%	16
	answered question	211
	skipped question	7

#### 28. What are your thoughts about rental fees for school facilities? Response Response **Percent** Count Use rental fees to try to make as much money for the district as 40.9% 85 possible. Use rental fees only to cover the actual costs of renting the 52.9% 110 building(s). Keep rental fees as low as possible for community organizations, even 6.3% 13 if it costs the district money. answered question 208 skipped question 10

#### 29. If you have specific suggestions for reducing the budget, please enter them below.

Response	
Count	

76

76	answered question
142	skipped question

#### 30. Which of the following sources do you use to get information about NB Schools?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Information sent home with students	45.0%	90
North Boone District blog or School blogs	21.5%	43
North Boone Twitter account (@NBCUSD200)	3.0%	6
North Boone Facebook	12.0%	24
North Boone website (www.nbcusd.org)	87.0%	174
Belvidere Daily Republican	14.5%	29
Boone County Journal	17.0%	34
Rockford Register Star	39.0%	78
Local television news	29.0%	58
Other (please specify)	8.0%	16
	answered question	200
	skipped question	18

### 31. Do you receive North Boone School messenger messages on your phone or via text?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	69.6%	142
No	27.5%	56
Unsure	2.9%	6
	answered question	204
	skipped question	14

### 32. How could the district better communicate with you?

	Response Count
	39
answered question	39
skipped question	179