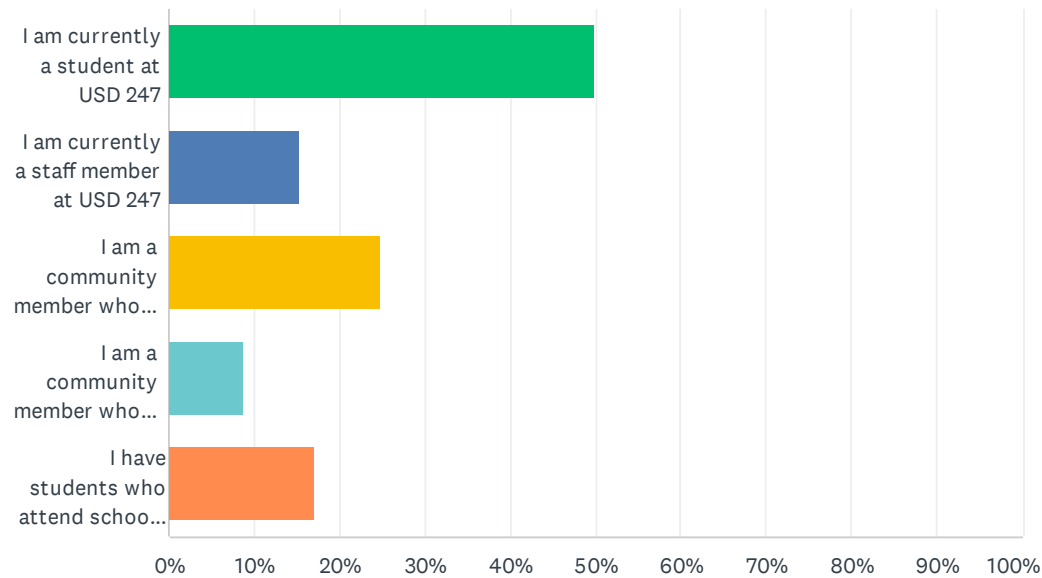


Q1 Which of the following best describes you (select all that apply):

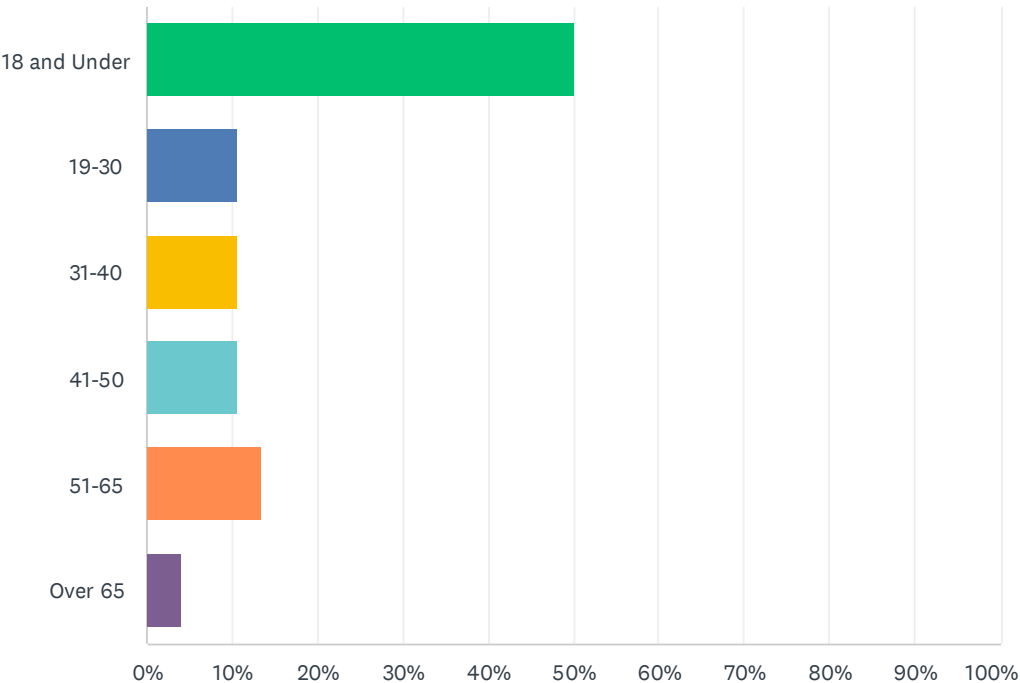
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I am currently a student at USD 247	49.89%	218
I am currently a staff member at USD 247	15.33%	67
I am a community member who lives inside the district	24.71%	108
I am a community member who lives outside the district	8.70%	38
I have students who attend school in the district	17.16%	75
Total Respondents: 437		

Q2 What is your age range?

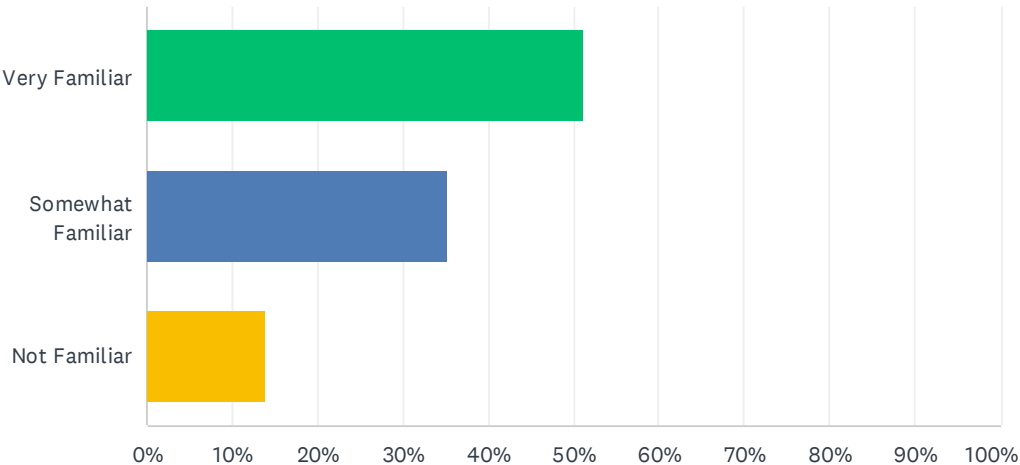
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
18 and Under	50.11%	219
19-30	10.76%	47
31-40	10.76%	47
41-50	10.76%	47
51-65	13.50%	59
Over 65	4.12%	18
TOTAL		437

Q3 How familiar are you with the current condition of the "main" building constructed in 1910 at Southeast Elementary School in Weir?

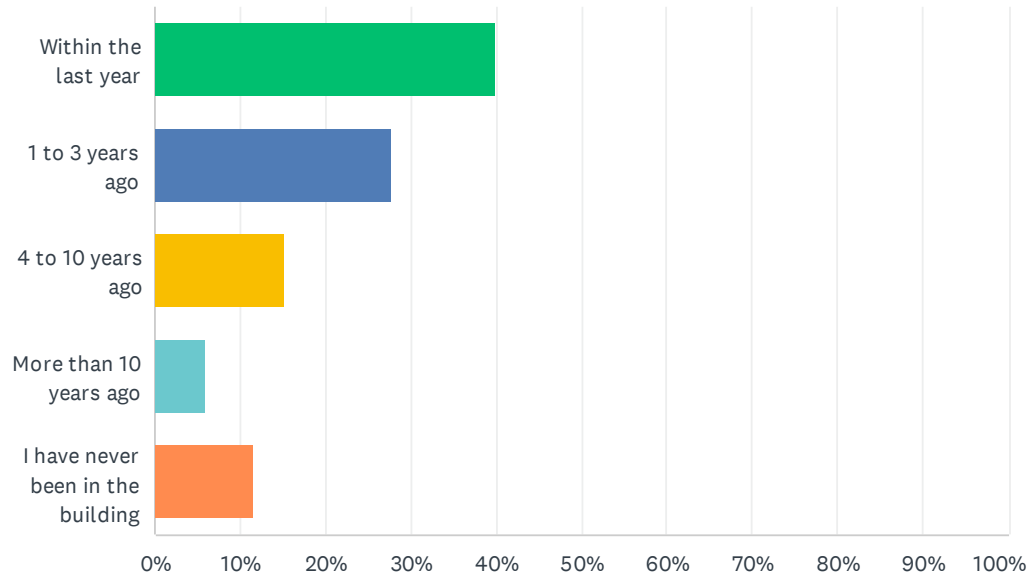
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ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Very Familiar		51.07%	214
Somewhat Familiar		35.08%	147
Not Familiar		13.84%	58
TOTAL			419

Q4 When was the last time you were inside the building or toured the building?

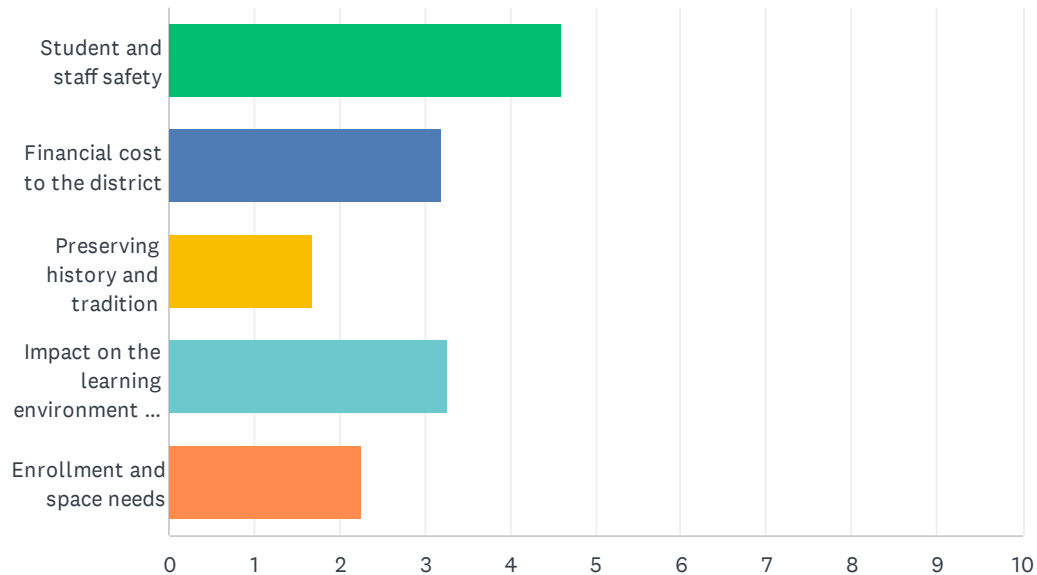
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Within the last year	39.86%	167
1 to 3 years ago	27.68%	116
4 to 10 years ago	15.04%	63
More than 10 years ago	5.97%	25
I have never been in the building	11.46%	48
TOTAL		419

Q5 Using a rank order system where a ranking of "1" is the most important and a ranking of "5" is the least important, which factor is the most important for the board to consider in making a decision to close permanently or repair and reopen the building?

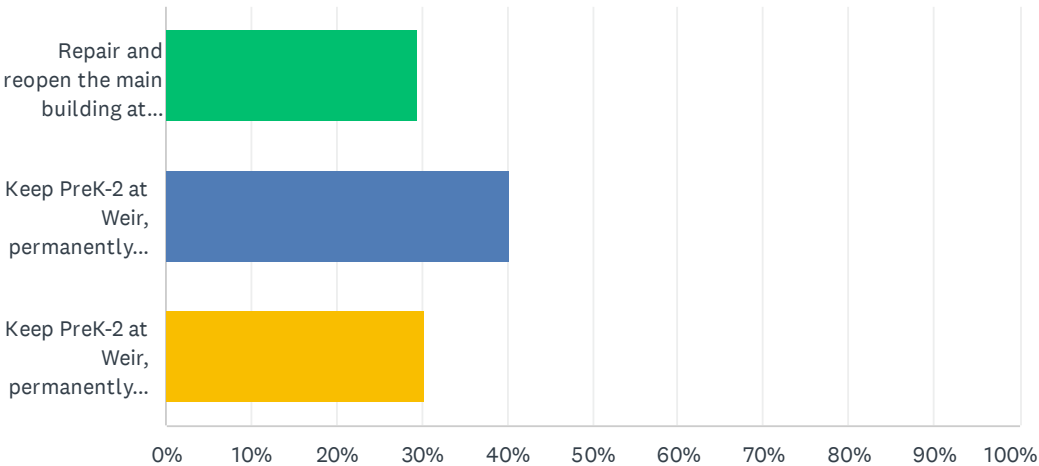
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	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
Student and staff safety	77.80% 326	11.93% 50	5.25% 22	3.58% 15	1.43% 6	419	4.61
Financial cost to the district	13.37% 56	30.55% 128	26.73% 112	20.05% 84	9.31% 39	419	3.19
Preserving history and tradition	1.67% 7	8.11% 34	11.46% 48	13.84% 58	64.92% 272	419	1.68
Impact on the learning environment - providing students with the best possible learning environment	5.25% 22	42.24% 177	30.79% 129	17.66% 74	4.06% 17	419	3.27
Enrollment and space needs	1.91% 8	7.16% 30	25.78% 108	44.87% 188	20.29% 85	419	2.26

Q6 Which ONE option do you most support at this time?

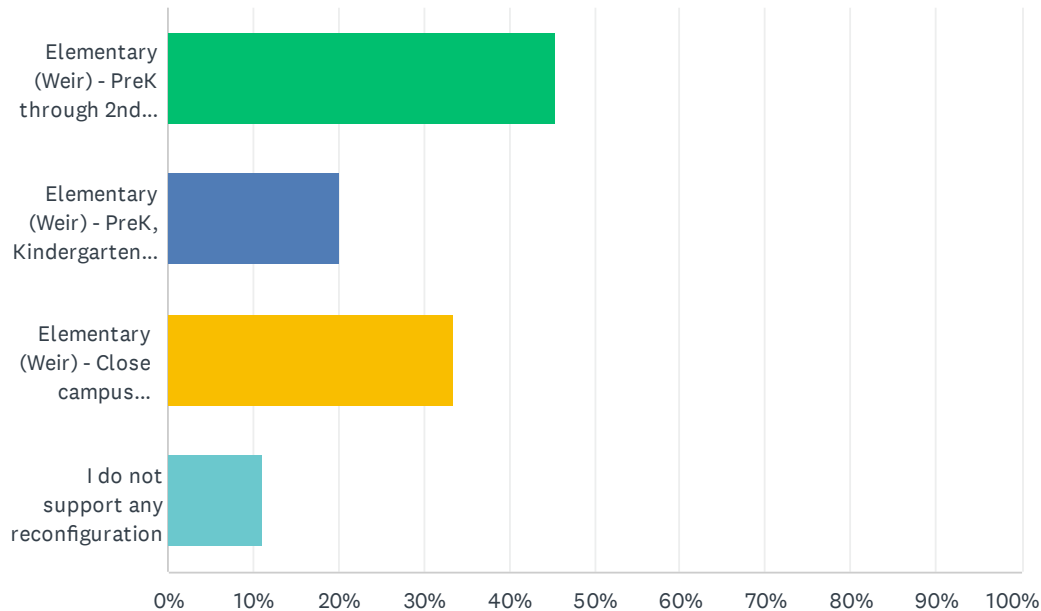
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Repair and reopen the main building at Weir.	29.36%	123
Keep PreK-2 at Weir, permanently close only the main building at Weir, and reorganize other elementary grade levels into other existing spaces in the district.	40.33%	169
Keep PreK-2 at Weir, permanently close only the main building at Weir, and add new construction at Weir to increase space.	30.31%	127
TOTAL		419

Q7 If the district were to reorganize grade levels using existing buildings in Weir and Cherokee, which configuration(s) do you support? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 409 Skipped: 28



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Elementary (Weir) - PreK through 2nd gradeMiddle School (Cherokee) - Grades 3 through 8High School (Cherokee) - Grades 9 through 12	45.48%	186
Elementary (Weir) - PreK, Kindergarten, and 1st GradeMiddle School (Cherokee) - Grades 2 through 6High School (Cherokee) - Grades 7 through 12	20.05%	82
Elementary (Weir) - Close campus completelyMiddle School (Cherokee) PreK through Grade 6High School (Cherokee) - Grades 7 through 12	33.50%	137
I do not support any reconfiguration	11.00%	45
Total Respondents: 409		

#	OTHER (PLEASE EXPLAIN)	DATE
1	To make this decision, I would like additional information about class size or capacity of space at each school. Let us know enrollment is it up or down compared to previous years, expected to grow or reduce in enrollment.	11/18/2025 5:29 AM
2	How about building something that supports pre-k through 5th in Cherokee. Keep 6,7 &8 in Cherokee, keep high school 8-12 in Cherokee	11/16/2025 11:08 AM
3	Most of those configurations would cause too many children to be in one location, which in turn could cause more disruptive behaviors and bullying. Due to too many kids not enough staff.	11/15/2025 11:34 PM
4	I think we should do daycare-kindergarten in weir, 1st-6 in Cherokee, 7-12 in highschool	11/15/2025 6:59 PM
5	PreK thru Grade 4 at Weir, 5th thru 8th at Cherokee, 9th thru 12th at high school.	11/13/2025 4:40 PM

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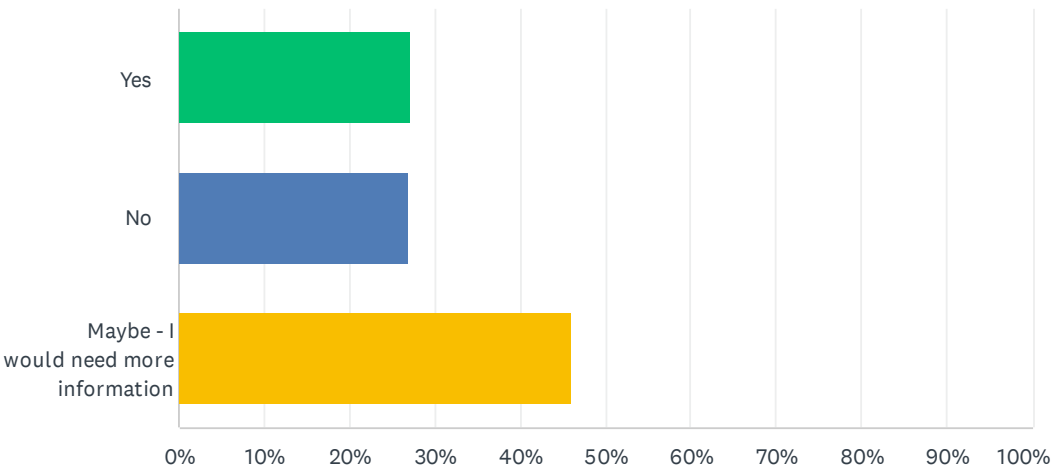
6	Pre -k through 4th grade at weir 5th through 8th at Cherokee 9-12 at high school	11/13/2025 3:44 PM
7	Elementary(weir) PreK through 4th grade Middle school(Cherokee) grades 5 through 8 High school (Cherokee) 9 through 12	11/13/2025 9:15 AM
8	I don't know.	11/12/2025 3:12 PM
9	prek through 2nd grade in the elemenary (weir) middle school 3 grade through 6th (high school) 7th through 12th	11/12/2025 3:11 PM
10	Elementary prek-4 Middle school(Cherokee) HighSchool 9-12 (Cherokee)	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
11	I think 3rd and 4th need to go to back to the main building and the they have to reopen it.	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
12	uuu	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
13	Prek through 4 elementary 5 though 8 in middle school 9 trough 12 in highschool	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
14	3 and 4 in elementary back to the other school and not in the middle school	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
15	Elementary (Weir) PreK through 4th Middle School (Cherokee) 5th through 8th High School (Cherokee) 9th through 12th	11/12/2025 3:02 PM
16	I would put per-k thgough 5 in the elementary and 6-8 or 5-8 in the middle school and 9-12 in high school	11/12/2025 3:01 PM
17	3 through 4 in ellamintrey 5 through 8 at the middle school 9 through 12 at highschool.	11/12/2025 3:01 PM
18	Elementary (weir) - PreK through 5th grade Middle school (Cherokee) - 6th through 8th grade Highschool (Cherokee) - 9th through 12th grade	11/12/2025 3:01 PM
19	highschool 9-12 Ms 3-8 elementary Pre-K - 2	11/12/2025 3:00 PM
20	i don't believe anyone under 9th should be in the highschool we have enough people as is.	11/12/2025 2:59 PM
21	Honestly I'm not gunna be here next semester, so I don't care 👍	11/12/2025 2:59 PM
22	Idk	11/12/2025 2:56 PM
23	It would save money only having 2 buildings and with the 7th an 8th graders out of the jr high the locker rooms and weight rooms can be used for more classes.	11/12/2025 2:55 PM
24	i don't really care what you do	11/12/2025 2:54 PM
25	I think that the elementary get moved to the middle school	11/12/2025 2:54 PM
26	Another district moved their Jr. High students to the high school building, high school students harassed, picked on the younger students. Admin didn't do much to solve the problem. Not saying this would happen everywhere but it is an issue I think of.	11/10/2025 11:43 AM
27	I would only support the full closing of Weir if the building could be used to serve students and the community, such as a daycare and Pre-school (Early elementary learning center)	11/10/2025 11:00 AM
28	Close Weir completely. Build on to the Cherokee middle school to the east. Right now , not in 6 or 7 years!!!!	11/5/2025 7:01 PM
29	I would like to see the district budget prior to any support of the above questions.	10/30/2025 3:29 AM
30	Without knowing the size and configurations of the buildings, it's hard to know which reorganization would best serve students and faculty.	10/29/2025 7:36 PM
31	The newer portion of Weir Elementary is in excellent condition and would be a waste to give up on it.	10/28/2025 8:41 PM
32	I would like to see students prek-5th attend school at the Weir location. I drive from Oswego so Weir is closer.	10/27/2025 7:32 PM
33	with decreased enrollment this could save the district money by eliminating several higher paid positions, combining smaller class sizes together into 1 instead of having 2 each. A teacher should be able to handle a class of 20-25 students not as it is now where they only have 10-13 students.	10/27/2025 6:47 PM
34	I only support reconfiguration if the high school receives further repairs and updates.	10/27/2025 6:38 PM

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35	I do not wish to close Weir all together but that would be my second choice. We can not continue MTSS/Sped/Library sharing a mobile- that is probably just as moldy as the old building. Same thing with the mobile with speech, principal, nurse, OT, etc. Furthermore, it is doing our kids an injustice to have only half of a gym for P.E. class. If pre-k-2nd is staying in Weir new construction needs to happen to accommodate these rooms and a cafeteria.	10/27/2025 1:38 PM
36	Reconfiguration for Elementary (Weir) - PreK, K, 1st, & 2nd MS (Cherokee) Grades 3 through 6 HS Grades 7 through 12	10/27/2025 12:23 PM
37	I think for the future we need to all be in Cherokee. We would be able to save a lot of money and not need all the staff we have.	10/27/2025 12:06 PM

Q8 Would you support a tax increase to improve district facilities?

Answered: 409 Skipped: 28



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	27.14%	111
No	26.89%	110
Maybe - I would need more information	45.97%	188
TOTAL		409

Q9 Please share any additional thoughts, concerns, or suggestions for the Board to consider.

Answered: 139 Skipped: 298

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	These are tough times now and moving forward with economy and less work force, I would recommend evaluating the entire district. Why was McCune school Closed, why was West Mineral? Now Weir is being evaluating, this tells me we have less students enrollment is down. We have more challenging times with workforce and any tax payer assisting in expansion type project. I think tax payers need more information before moving forward.	11/18/2025 5:29 AM
2	Have you thought about bringing jr high to Weir and elementary to Cherokee for better space.	11/17/2025 4:42 PM
3	I would like to an estimate on the repairs needed for the building	11/16/2025 11:19 AM
4	I wish you the best while making decisions.	11/16/2025 11:08 AM
5	USD 247 is a great school district. We need to work together to continue providing quality education for our students in a safe environment.	11/16/2025 6:26 AM
6	I think all of the elementary needs to be kept together. Pre-K through 4th	11/15/2025 9:50 PM
7	Weir has a nice facility to continue with pre-k through 2nd. When a town loses its school the community pretty much is lost too. I know it's a struggle now, as to where my grandchildren will attend school once they're old enough. If we lose what's left of our school, they'll attend Pittsburg schools, where their mother currently works.	11/15/2025 9:28 PM
8	Why keep an additional building open when Weir could be moved to Cherokee? As for the amount of students attending the elementary school, why does this district continue to have 2 teachers per grade level???	11/15/2025 8:19 PM
9	Consider the loss in enrollment that occurred when Mccune was closed. Closing the Weir location for any reason will hurt enrollment as it will give families a reason to move there kids to Columbus, Girard, or Pittsburg	11/15/2025 8:03 PM
10	Weir has been in bad shape for a long time (previous student here). The health and safety of students should be the #1 concern of EVERYONE. Keeping it open for sentimental options should not even be an option? This is real life. The conditions of that building affect real children. Why is it even up for debate. Who cares if this hurts feelings. Do what is best for the health and safety of the students.	11/15/2025 7:18 PM
11	As a teacher in another district due to no openings, Weir is very outdated. Students would benefit in a better, more safe environment. Whatever the district decides, I think it us important to keep grade bands together for academics. I see the best option as everyone k-8 at the Cherokee school and 9-12 at the high school. This very well may continue to decrease enrollments, but Will tremendously decrease costs as well.	11/15/2025 7:08 PM
12	I believe we need to close weir campus and consolidate all students in the Cherokee campuses. The weir campus buildings that are descent could be used to create a daycare and a community center which are much needed and would be a boost to weir and our school district.	11/14/2025 5:18 PM
13	I like the idea of closing the elementary down sinse there is so many problems there as is it's best to shutdown and hep with financial problems	11/13/2025 8:27 PM
14	Do not close the Weir school as it was deemed structurally sound in engineers report.	11/13/2025 4:40 PM
15	prek-6 in the middle school and 7-8 go to the high school	11/13/2025 3:16 PM
16	It costs too much money to keep this campus open. Right now it is an embarrassment to have people who have never been here (PSU students, new parents to district) visit this campus. The only nice part is the PK-2, music and gym. The office space and the sped/MTSS buildings	11/13/2025 3:08 PM

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are horrible. The MAIN building is a sore sight! Hate that the kiddos have to eat in the gym...that's another issue.

17	idk	11/13/2025 3:04 PM
18	umm not sure I have any additional thoughts but I enjoy them being here. :)	11/13/2025 2:58 PM
19	-I think it would be a terrible idea to house middle schoolers and high schoolers together. -It has been an extremely difficult situation with support staff running between towns and spread too thin. -It is not good having lunch and PE all crammed in the gym.	11/13/2025 2:31 PM
20	The current PreK - 2 building in Weir is in relatively good condition. If a multipurpose building was added to house a gym, cafeteria, lunchroom and offices it would extend the use of the building without overcrowding other buildings in th district.	11/13/2025 10:53 AM
21	As a junior now who went to the weir elementary, update it and repair it as best you can, while keeping it nostalgic for kids who attended it in the past.	11/13/2025 8:37 AM
22	There is mold in the bathrooms and sometimes I get sick when I go to the bathroom. And I am starting to have bad grades because I am geeting home work	11/12/2025 3:19 PM
23	i would like to for us to not use any of the buildings in weir and move the pre k - 2nd grade to the middle school and keep 3rd and 4th at the middle school and make that an elementary. then have the 7th and 8th grade com to the high school and build on to help keep them separated and be called a jr sr high school. also moving 7th and 8th grade to the hs would help get them to practice faster and easier.	11/12/2025 3:19 PM
24	I don't really have any	11/12/2025 3:17 PM
25	none	11/12/2025 3:17 PM
26	I have no additional thoughts, concerns, or suggestions.	11/12/2025 3:15 PM
27	tear down and put something new at Weir	11/12/2025 3:13 PM
28	This is a question for all of the family to answer when it comes to money.	11/12/2025 3:12 PM
29	Make everything fit	11/12/2025 3:12 PM
30	no more	11/12/2025 3:10 PM
31	middle school move to the high school	11/12/2025 3:10 PM
32	If we shut down the main building in Weir, we could use that whole area for other things in Weir, like a community sports complex. I also really like that we can see our other friends. We can also have more opportunities to do things we love to do, like sports, and other things like that.	11/12/2025 3:10 PM
33	higher swings (Cherokee) Middle School, football field, support God, better classes	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
34	I want the main building to be rebuilt and opened so we can lhave more room in the school and the 3rd and 4th know where there going mostly.	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
35	stop getting expensive math books	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
36	nope	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
37	no little kids in the middle school and more outside stuff no boring stuff	11/12/2025 3:07 PM
38	I loved when it would snow and Mrs. Denham would have us look out side or when we would do the book thing were you had to read and get 20 or 10 points depending on witch grade you were in and we got to watch movies and do art and go to the gym to play. I have had alot of memory's and would want to share those memory's with my sister [Gianna].	11/12/2025 3:06 PM
39	i think we should expand the schools	11/12/2025 3:06 PM
40	Too many people in a small school it would be harder to move around	11/12/2025 3:05 PM
41	I think that the elementary should be preK-2, the middle school should be 3-8, and the highschool should be 9-12	11/12/2025 3:04 PM
42	Just take it down it has black mold, holes in the walls it not safe for the little kids to be in the school right beside it.	11/12/2025 3:03 PM

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43	One concern of mine is how are we going to find the space for all these kids.	11/12/2025 3:03 PM
44	I think that it should stay the same since I was in PreK the little kids at the elementary and us here or the high school	11/12/2025 3:02 PM
45	more lunch seasoning	11/12/2025 3:02 PM
46	New water and better food	11/12/2025 3:01 PM
47	Is there a problem with the second building??	11/12/2025 3:01 PM
48	i love that building and i think it should be repaired and reopened	11/12/2025 3:01 PM
49	I don't really have any concerns	11/12/2025 3:01 PM
50	I am concerned about how much it is going to cost.	11/12/2025 3:01 PM
51	Elementary (weir) - PreK through 5th grade Middle school (Cherokee) - 6th through 8th grade Highschool (Cherokee) - 9th through 12th grade It was how we did it when I went to pittsburg middle school. much simpler	11/12/2025 3:01 PM
52	we need better drinking water 🥤 (please add strawberry milk)	11/12/2025 3:00 PM
53	Try to reopen the elementary building.	11/12/2025 3:00 PM
54	People with disabilities (even if said disabilities are not visible)	11/12/2025 3:00 PM
55	none	11/12/2025 3:00 PM
56	None	11/12/2025 2:59 PM
57	No	11/12/2025 2:59 PM
58	you should consider maybe keeping Pre-k-3rd grade at the elementary and 4th-8 here	11/12/2025 2:59 PM
59	I think for now 3th and 4th need to eat lunch before 5th and 6th graders	11/12/2025 2:59 PM
60	i don't want middle school in the high school. it would ruin my day even more.	11/12/2025 2:59 PM
61	I have no idea what the building looks like or where it's even located.	11/12/2025 2:59 PM
62	I believe that if you move the younger kids up into the high school there will have to be way to many changes in the school that I don't think that shs will be able to comodate, also if your able, try fixing it or other things, or you could find different ways to accommodate because the school doesn't have enough space or resources for most of this, and personally the taxes are already so high, so it might not be manageable. Thank you for listening.	11/12/2025 2:59 PM
63	none	11/12/2025 2:58 PM
64	n/a	11/12/2025 2:58 PM
65	I don't have any thing else	11/12/2025 2:58 PM
66	I don't have anything else.	11/12/2025 2:58 PM
67	The high school is already full as is and we don't have many rooms able to house more classrooms nor do we have enough work demand from unemployed persons with the degrees needed to teach any specific class. Considering this, I believe it best that the high school remain unchanged to avoid issues with employing the amount of people we need and reconfiguring enough classrooms to be able to house any extra grade levels.	11/12/2025 2:58 PM
68	Nah	11/12/2025 2:58 PM
69	no ben	11/12/2025 2:57 PM
70	where will the kids go for school?	11/12/2025 2:57 PM
71	I don't have any.	11/12/2025 2:57 PM
72	With the 3rd and 4th graders at the middle school it's already crowded, so I wouldn't add anymore there, nor would I move 7th grade and up to the high school.	11/12/2025 2:57 PM
73	Don't have any.	11/12/2025 2:57 PM

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74	no	11/12/2025 2:56 PM
75	Idk	11/12/2025 2:56 PM
76	Nah	11/12/2025 2:56 PM
77	Idk	11/12/2025 2:56 PM
78	High school should stay 9-12 to give kids the fun and adventure of going off to high school instead of just staying in the same building with high schoolers an extra 2 years. If the middle school does come to the high school would they be included in pep rally's or would they stay in class?	11/12/2025 2:56 PM
79	I don't have a problem	11/12/2025 2:56 PM
80	Nothing	11/12/2025 2:55 PM
81	.	11/12/2025 2:55 PM
82	Reconfiguring the classes again might influence children to not want to go. For example: no senior wants to spend all day with 7th graders all day.	11/12/2025 2:55 PM
83	I don't want grades less than 9th at the highschool	11/12/2025 2:55 PM
84	I don't think 7th and 8th graders need to move to the high school	11/12/2025 2:55 PM
85	Transportation for the students that ride the car that can't get to the bus and now the parents or guardians have to either drive further or they'll have to transfer the student to a different school	11/12/2025 2:55 PM
86	No	11/12/2025 2:54 PM
87	I have none	11/12/2025 2:54 PM
88	I honestly don't know	11/12/2025 2:54 PM
89	Save as much money as possible and do not increase the tax.	11/12/2025 2:54 PM
90	DO NOT PUT 7-8 in highschool	11/12/2025 2:54 PM
91	The children not getting a education, or parents not knowing what's going on	11/12/2025 2:54 PM
92	N/A	11/12/2025 2:50 PM
93	I actively try to recruit young families to our district. I have two close friends that live in district or close. They would both rather drive farther away to another school district because they do not feel safe sending their pre-schooler to Weir. The town is run down. When we loose families at the elementary level, they will likely not come back. As a mom of a preschooler next year, I would like to see our district be together in Cherokee. For safety reasons, this makes sense because we share an SRO. For financial reasons this makes sense because we can pool resources into two buildings instead of three and our facilities would be nicer. For recruitment reasons, this makes sense because families do not want to go out of their way into Weir to take their kids. Cherokee is centrally located off the highway and will pull families into our district.	11/12/2025 2:42 PM
94	pray about everything	11/12/2025 9:55 AM
95	Having all elementary in Cherokee and all others at the High School will be a logistical advantage. This could increase enrollment due to the central location.	11/11/2025 7:29 PM
96	As a resident/landowner our taxes are high enough. There are quite a few people who live in the Weir/247 District area that do not pay property taxes so an increase wouldn't be any bother to them. Those such individuals seem to be the ones complaining the most about Weir closing. Weir hired a teacher this school year. Why not combine classes, no need to have 2 of each grade level. West Mineral and McCune survived the closing of their schools. Since back in the days it's always been about Cherokee. I myself went to school in 247 as did my siblings. Most of us still live in the district, own our property and pay property taxes.	11/10/2025 11:43 AM
97	We need to start putting kids over buildings. These kids deserve newer updated facilities.	11/10/2025 11:00 AM
98	I work at the school and am sad to be apart from our elementary staff and think that we should bring them over to the middle school.	11/6/2025 10:29 AM

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99	The existing conditions for the PreK–2 elementary school requires significant improvement. The library setup is poor, the lunchroom environment is very concerning and not ideal, and the gym facilities are below expectations with the lunchroom in the gym.	11/5/2025 8:46 PM
100	All options come with costs and pros and cons. Ultimately it comes down to what is the most cost efficient and best serves the district needs.	11/5/2025 8:45 PM
101	This issue should have been addressed a lot sooner. Can't tell me just over night there was a problem. Someone had to have seen issues for quite some time now. A lot of money has been wasted in the district such as the "horns for the foot ball team" bad choice of spending that money. That money could have helped a while back with leaks. Hopefully now with some backbone on the school board things will happen like they should. Sports last and students first.	11/5/2025 7:01 PM
102	What would be the cost of adding on to the middle school. To add more efficient classroom space. The elementary classrooms are so small. I can see the teachers have done their best at making it work. But my child's first grade classroom is so small even for only 13 students. There isn't much room to move around.	11/5/2025 2:31 PM
103	I think whether we keep Pre-2 at Weir or move them to Cherokee, some new construction needs to be done for space and building upkeep. New construction doesn't have to be a brick building and can be done with less cost. Repairs always are more expensive and usually run into unexpected issues raising the cost. Also junior high should not be together with high school! As a long time McCune resident, I have seen the impact closing an elementary school does to a community and I believe if new construction is the consensus, it needs to be done at Weir to keep at least pre-k-2 there. That being said, the current situation at Weir is doing the kids an injustice. Having only half a gym for P.E., multiple services shoved into small old mobiles, library on a cart etc. are all injustices to students and staff.	11/3/2025 7:43 PM
104	Maximizing space, finances, staff, and learning, along with building safety and updates, should be prioritized over fixing or expanding the Weir School campus.	11/3/2025 7:41 AM
105	Shut the campus down. Board had no problem closing a good school campus in McCune 10 years ago, saying low enrollment and reduced state funding. If it was ok to take away McCune's history, I'm sure the people of Weir can handle it also. No money spent and no higher property taxes.	10/30/2025 7:28 PM
106	It makes me sad but it needs to be done to better our school district as a whole. I commend you for the hard work and decisions you all have to make.	10/30/2025 5:05 PM
107	We are doing a disservice to the kids by not having an adequate space for library services. Reading is one of the most important aspects of a learning environment and I feel we are not doing that justice currently. Our current librarian has been amazing at providing fun, educational activities, read alouds, library skills etc. But there is just not enough space or resources available. We NEED a small library space where kids can get the full library experience and for our librarian to have a full time position and space to work to better accommodate this service for the children. We also need a small MTSS room, Special Education Room, Speech Room, and a proper Office space. I feel a new addition could easily accommodate all of these needs at a reasonable cost.	10/30/2025 4:30 PM
108	The closing of any portion of Weir school is irresponsible. This is the product of many years of deferred maintenance on the property that the Board should have been taking into consideration. It seems as though the Board is trying to guide people into one school of thought on this. Was it the intention to leave the building unoccupied for an entire school year to bring it down even more? Have you pursued restoration grants? Doubtful.	10/30/2025 2:27 PM
109	As a teacher at Weir, I feel like we are on an island by ourselves. It doesn't feel like a community school anymore. Some things that don't feel right are (1) the gym being used for lunch and breakfast (2) students not getting to use the whole gym for P.E. (3) not having enough staff to keep our office manned all the time...there should be someone in there at all times (4) not having enough staff (5) not having our whole elementary together.	10/30/2025 11:29 AM
110	If you close the old school couldn't it be utilized and also become a State National Monument.	10/30/2025 3:29 AM
111	Add more safety	10/29/2025 7:56 PM
112	Although our children will likely go to school in a different district (one parent is an educator), we value and support education and the positive impact it has for the community at large. If	10/29/2025 7:36 PM

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	our taxes increase to better the school and the students and educators here, we support it.	
113	That old building will continue to have new issues. I just do not think that it is worth the effort to maintain it. It is hard to let go. That old building is loved. However, this is an opportunity to modernize.	10/29/2025 6:46 PM
114	There is an obvious decline in enrollment so we are 100% against any tax increase. There is enough room in existing facilities. Our children are in district, but go to another school because of the lack of opportunity and the decline in enrollment that was already happening when they were to start school.	10/29/2025 4:09 PM
115	If I had young students, I would want them in the same town for convenience of drop off and pick up.	10/29/2025 12:38 PM
116	Keeping the elementary split between two campuses raises a concern for the breakfast/lunch ladies having to load and carry in large containers of food twice a day in rainy, snowy, and icy cold conditions. Some students need to receive their core reading and/or math classes in grade levels that are two to three years below their class. Getting them back and forth between campuses everyday would be a concern. Example, a third grader who needs to receive a kindergarten or first grade level core. Mobiles are a concern for admin, special education, and MTSS. Every time any of those people need to go work with a student(s), or need to pull a student(s), they have to constantly go out into the weather. October through March bring high winds, cold air, rain, snow, sleet, and icy walkway conditions. These will all inevitably increase sick days, as they are constantly traveling back and forth from mobiles to buildings all day long. For the Pre-K through 2nd grade students to go to breakfast, lunch, and P.E., they have to travel back and forth outside in all the elements. This puts them at risk for safety and health reasons, as opposed to students who are all under one roof, other than outside recess. We know there is no ONE answer that will make absolutely everyone happy. Thank you for allowing us our input, and for considering the safety and health of all of our staff and students.	10/29/2025 12:04 PM
117	We need to completely close the Weir campus. There is ample room at the other two schools to house the students. We also need a drastic reduction in staff. We have four admin for 420 students and there is no way with our limited budget that anyone should make \$100,000 or more at this district. With the restructuring at the state level of school finance we need to be proactive in making the cuts and changes necessary to ensure that our district can survive and thrive in the future. The first, easiest, and most logical step is closing the campus at Weir, reducing staff, and redistributing those funds to the remaining infrastructure and employees.	10/29/2025 7:33 AM
118	Before considering a tax increase I would love to know more information as to how Weir was allowed to get to such a state. I currently don't have the faith in the existing board who allowed the school to deteriorate in the fashion it did without creating a plan years ago. This should have been a serious discussion with planning 10 years ago and not when it is of an emergency. Also if weir is eliminated, will there be a reduction in staffing? Is there enough classrooms to handle all of the classes without Weir?	10/28/2025 8:41 PM
119	Not only should today's needs be considered, but also the needs of our district in 5, 10 and many more years to come. Which option allows for preservation of student learning and all the positives of 247, but also is fiduciary responsible?	10/28/2025 5:58 PM
120	Would it be cheaper and more cost efficient to add on to the existing building in weir to accommodate prek-4th grade or would it be better and more cost efficient to fix the building that's closed down? I understand the building is old and \$750,000 is a lot of money to repair it. I also understand that there is history in that building but sometimes old buildings just need to be torn down and replaced rather than repaired. Is that an option?	10/28/2025 1:54 PM
121	I would be in favor of consolidating to as few campuses as possible so that we can maximize the efficiency of every dollar. If our incoming resources aren't increasing, we need to be extra smart with what we have. Do the most good with the resources available.	10/28/2025 10:14 AM
122	Permanent closure of the Weir campus seems to be the best use of people, buildings and funding. We have way too many campuses, administrators, and staff for a district our size. Closing it would save thousands in building maintenance, utilities, insurance, and staff cost. I would support tax increase to build more room in Cherokee preferably at HS campus.	10/28/2025 8:29 AM
123	Talks of public school funding taking hit in the next federal budget	10/28/2025 8:24 AM
124	If any rebuilding would need to be done, I would suggest doing it at the Middle School level to reduce the # of locations as well as consolidate some staff into two buildings. Staff and be	10/28/2025 7:54 AM

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better utilized and shared among two buildings rather than spread out between 3. Also fewer cafeterias, cleaning personnel, maintenance, out door equipment, etc.

125	I do not support anything that would raise my taxes.	10/27/2025 9:07 PM
126	Consider a 4 day week Use wrestling practice building for pre-k	10/27/2025 9:05 PM
127	Enrollment is far too low to spend this kind of money restoring or keeping buildings open. Consolidate to the high school of necessary	10/27/2025 8:52 PM
128	Waste of tax dollars to have some classes with 8 or 9 kids. If a teacher can't handle 20 or so kids in a classroom they shouldn't be teaching.	10/27/2025 8:04 PM
129	With the declining enrollment numbers it would make most sense to close Weir permanently and only keep Cherokee middle school and the high school open. Girard has used this with grades pre-k-5 and 6-12 in their buildings and it works perfectly.	10/27/2025 7:33 PM
130	Id like to know what parents can do to help support the necessary renovations for the main building. Is it possible to gather the funds through a combination of budgeting, fund raising and grants? I did a quick google search on grants funds for restoration/preservation of historic school buildings and found a few that may be worth looking into if this hasn't already been explored. https://abandonedatlas.com/projects/grants-for-historic-buildings-in-kansas/	10/27/2025 7:32 PM
131	\$ 750,000+ is too much money to spend on an aged building that is not ADA compliant with sewer ventilation and allergen problems. The early childhood, age Birth to 8 yr., grades Pre-K to 2nd should be kept together. Has the district considered moving only 7th and 8th to Weir? This would allow the elementary to return to a true elementary school, placed in Cherokee, with Pre-K through 6th grades attending. This would allow the 7th and 8th students to be with their peers, and not be forced to mix with high school students. In my opinion, this is not a safe placing for 11-13 years olds, mixing with 17-18 year olds which are at a while different experience and maturity level.	10/27/2025 7:26 PM
132	I am a person who values history and its preservation for future generations, but I do not see a valid reason to spend \$750,000 on a inefficient, crumbling two story building that is not ADA compliant. A school building should serve the students in the safest, most efficient and economically viable manner. I believe that moving 7th & 8th grade students to the Weir campus, and the pre-k - 6th grade students to the Cherokee campus would be a good idea. I am definitely against moving 7th and 8th grade students (and younger) into the high school.	10/27/2025 7:25 PM
133	the community needs to join together as 1 USD 247 to actually stay open. closing this location would have nothing to do with the 'town dying' as some say. lets put the tax payers money in improving the other facilities we have to keep our district open	10/27/2025 6:47 PM
134	Are any school building in McCune still in good standing? Could they be utilized for elementary pre-k - 4th grade?	10/27/2025 6:38 PM
135	N/A	10/27/2025 6:29 PM
136	I would be in favor of the reconfiguration of the district to support closing the main building in Weir. The PreK–2 building in Weir is newer, includes a storm shelter, and remains in functional, usable condition. In contrast, the main building does not adequately support ADA and accessibility needs, which is an important factor when considering long-term costs and equity. My family has deep roots in the Weir; my father attended Weir, I am a graduate of Weir Jr. High, and my children attended PreK through 4th grade there. While I want to preserve as much of the history of Weir as possible, realistically, spending \$750,000 to repair the main building is not feasible. Those funds could be better allocated to the middle and high school campuses to add bathrooms, classrooms, and other improvements that would directly support a district reconfiguration and benefit more students overall.	10/27/2025 12:23 PM
137	It would be beneficial for all students and staff to be on the same campus. We have a good amount of staff driving back and forth. That will get tricky as weather gets bad. It has also put a lot of stress on staff members. I have seen such a huge difference this year with our 3rd and 4th grade being separated from us. We are a family that has sadly been separated. It is also a lot on our lunch ladies traveling back and forth with food everyday. Our specials teachers are hitting every single building at this point. Our students and coach are getting half of a gym. I know it is not in favor to close the weir campus. I just feel as though it is the best decision for the district and to save money as enrollments are low.	10/27/2025 12:08 PM
138	No one wants to see schools close. We want this District to survive.	10/27/2025 12:06 PM

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139	<p>I have a small classroom at the middle school and it is not working currently having 3rd and 4th grade being taught over there. I do not have the space available to double up on classes and teach both at once. We are so squished in there with nearly 30 students, myself, and a para. We do not have room to do movement activities. We hardly have the room to move freely around the room. It is hard to get instruments out and manage them. 4th grade music is having the same issues even though their class sits at a few less. The music rooms at the middle school are way too small for the content area and students are missing out on learning opportunities because of the lack of space. Because I teach art for 5th and 6th grade as well, I have tables in my room that I need. This takes up more space. I do not have enough room for instrument storage. I would like to get 3rd and 4th grade back over to Weir to teach in my classroom there where I have the space to store my supplies and we have the space to move around in a classroom.</p>	10/27/2025 12:04 PM
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