

Research Agenda

Teachers/Curriculum

We Deserve Better #teachme

- Lack of relevant curriculum
- Pace of instruction; delivery of instruction (lecturing rather than group work)
- Too much homework; stress from schoolwork
- Lack of differentiation

Student Relationships

Increase the Peace

- Students disrespect each other; students lack empathy for others
- Verbal/emotional bullying
- Physical bullying
- Social groups/cliques

School Policies

Unfair Rules

#respectgoesbothways

- Teacher or staff bias in policy implementation (dress code, behavior, etc)
- Lack of student voice

School Distractions

Stop Distracting Me

#stayfocused

- Lack of focus among peers
- Profanity/inappropriate conduct
- Student drama
- Absenteeism

Student Voice

Youth Need Voice and Choice

- Personal choices (religion, food preferences, perspectives) not valued by leadership
- Schedules (school start times, class selection, recess/opportunities to move)

Resource Distribution

Lack of Resources

#wrongpriorities

- Not enough school counselors or adult support
- Outdated or absent technology
- No sports in middle schools