

## **Where are we now? Values**

### **Homestead Elementary 8<sup>th</sup> grade students-May 14, 2015**

Community okay

Not a lot of family activity

Between 25-50% of people actually attend church

Lazy, laid back, slow paced

Same ole thing

Lazy

Old fashioned

Like small town atmosphere

Lifestyles ordinary-same patterns

Family influence great

All activities are family-related

Christian

Conservative

Republican

Judgmental

Pressure

Stereotype-racism

It's okay

Strong family influence

Good natural resources

## **Where are we now? Workforce**

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Lack of high paying jobs

Certified people don't get paid enough

Good jobs are hard to find

Good opportunities

Lots of low paying small jobs

Need more industry & higher paying jobs

More diverse opportunities for jobs

It is all about who you know, who owns the most land

Jobs are family-related

Too many standardized tests

Not much here/training for future

No jobs

Education system is good

Teaching students stuff they don't need to know for real world

Plenty of jobs

A lot of empty stores

## **Where are we now? Social**

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Lack of shopping

Lack of indoor entertainment

Drugs are a problem at City parks

Lack of good food

Movies, bowling, Playhouse, race track, Chuckles, and the skating rink

Most people want to spend their time outside

Plenty of recreation

Addiction is a problem

We think the drug issues are meth, over the counter drugs, and weed

100% think we have a domestic violence issue

80% think it is with families and husbands/wives

Both parents and children just go out and party

Lots of churches, religion right on

Lots of golf courses

Parks need cleaning up-druggies & dilapidated buildings

Chuckles is for little kids

Drug problem

Religion okay

Skating rink has gross people doing gross things

Drugs at the skating rink

Druggies go to Centennial Park

Use technology to consume time

Can do sports, drugs, or farming

Hospital not good, poor care

Drug places need to be torn down

Need rehab centers for drugs & domestic violence

Parents may influence drugs

Need more awareness on drug usage

Better drug education programs needed

There is a need for a middle school to help build sports programs

Safer environment needed

Living off Government, 80%

Too many taxes paid to support others

Respect for all beliefs

No entertainment

No organized recreations, only basketball

Too many young people on drugs

Plenty of churches

Cafeteria doesn't give enough food

A lot of drugs

Can buy drugs in parking lot across from Kmart

Need stronger enforcement of rules

Need playgrounds at school for older kids

Street lights don't work properly

Need more traffic control

Not a lot to do

**Where are we now? Cultural**

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Not acceptable of new type of religion

Town doesn't look appealing

Need more events for youth instead of all for retirees

Family names are important

Nothing to do, people caught in same routine

When you get out of school, move away

Crossville-meth capital

Being treated like kindergarteners

Lot of time on our phone, good & bad

We need more equality in general

Need a bike program/lane so we can get around easier

We need a real world, non-biased civics class

Youth entertainment that is safe

Need less bigotry

## **Where are we going? Values**

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Down

Continue to be a retirement community

Less things are being done by families

If no change, community going down

Leaving town after school

Going back to the 50s

Nothing is changing

Consistent community, no changes

Going nowhere

Project Truth needed in high school

## **Where are we going? Workforce**

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Reduction in jobs, retail & industrial

There are going to be less higher paying jobs

You have to earn it

Won't be any better paying jobs

No jobs for teenagers

Middle age people holding jobs that teenagers should have

Less jobs for middle age

Most jobs require degree

Underemployment a problem

Financial system going down

## **Where are we going? Social**

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Increase in drug abuse

Entertainment will decline

Rec park has been taken over by druggies, need to clean it and skating rink up

Pregnancy rates going up

Lots of girls (14-15) getting pregnant

Parents do not care if their daughters get pregnant

Facebook has pictures of "girls of Crossville"

Cyberbullying up

Harassment going up

Need more positive influences

Parents don't have expectations for children

Hurting our environment



**Where are we going? Cultural**

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We are not moving forward

80% think we are staying the same and 20% think we are going negative

## **Where do we want to be? Values**

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More families doing things together

Bowling Green, KY good example for future activities

Want to be more like Sevierville

Someplace safer

More modern

More diverse

Need to go "green"

Neighborhood recycling

## **Where do we want to be? Workforce**

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More education to help find jobs

Good workers should be able to find a good paying job

Workforce to have good jobs and good pay

Jobs where you actually have to work

90% plan on going to college

Jobs where they respect you

More jobs

Secure future

Improve hospital

More industry

America runs on diesel

More diverse opportunities for jobs

Better qualified people

More jobs

Less family-related jobs

Need more jobs

Hire more teenagers

Better paying jobs

Less residential development, more farm land

Bigger airport

More slaughter houses for farmers to use

## **Where do we want to be? Social**

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More restaurants (Ihop & Chick-Fil-A)

More shopping

Indoor rec center-trampoline park

Indoor water park/splash pad

Lake activities-swimming/skiing/jet skis

Safer outdoor recreation

More incentives to play sports

MotorX

More community fairs

More music events

Mall, Bass Pro Shop

60% want to hang out at the mall

More places to shop

We would like to have our own waterpark and zoo

Trampoline park

Improvements on our own parks

Where school is not about common core, it's about actually learning

Recognize Veterans

Need big community events

Need a mall

More restaurants

Need restaurants

Trampoline Park

Outdoor shooting range

Save Playhouse

Develop a community theme

Stop texting & driving

Better hospital

Mall

Waterpark

Concert event center

Nascar Speed Park

Trampoline Park

3 mile Nascar Track

More rodeos

More horse trails/riding

More running/hiking trails

To help drug problem get more youth activities beside skate rink & rec park

Need a middle school shooting range

Community center in town (swimming, event center, etc.)

Clean up the Park

Beach swimming area to hang out

More sit down restaurants

More healthy restaurants, not so much fast food

Need Panera Bread

Better food needed at school (not so greasy)

Chick-Fil-A

Chipolte

More options for teenagers

Sports center like YMCA

Indoor gym & pool

Need Target store

Need more clothing stores

Need less thrift stores

Mall needs to be updated

Fix Vanity Fair up

More commercial options

More entertainment options

Less fast food

More entertainment options

More family events, theme park

Safer, more officers to fight drugs

More community involvement in fighting drug abuse

More facilities for domestic violence treatment

Need better parks

More things to do at park

More tennis courts

More protection at park

Safer restrooms to prevent rape

Need trampoline park

Chick-Fil-A

More restaurants

More shopping

Shopping Mall

Rec Facility

Amusement Park

More rec opportunities

Better doctors

Bigger, better hospital

Better health insurance

Expand State Park

More things to do, less drug abuse

**Where do we want to be? Cultural**

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Less entitlements/food stamps/EBT

Need more advertising of current events

More "name" concerts/events

Focus on USA, not other countries