

Issues and Solutions

Teen Pregnancy

1. Make parenting and child development classes mandatory for graduation.
2. Broaden education about teen pregnancy (abstinence, early education, STD prevention, birth control, emotional aspects of having sex).
3. Do not glorify teen pregnancy on TV Shows.

Substance Abuse

1. "Scared Straight" type programs
2. DARE
3. Educate parents

Dropouts

1. Raise drop out age to 18
2. Electives in school to address more interests
3. More one on one mentoring

Violence

1. Teen Court
2. Character building classes
3. Self defense classes

Recreation

1. In school 4-H clubs
2. Open High School sports to homeschoolers
3. Block Parties

Socio-Economics

1. Job Fair for teens
2. Internships
3. Money management programs

Education

1. Hire quality and qualified teachers
2. Fundraising /sponsorship
3. Parental involvement

Lack of Youth Voice

1. Youth Councils & Government Councils working together
2. Leadership
3. Youth Council

Health Issues

1. Mandatory PE/gym for all grades
2. Change school lunches to included healthy food lunches
3. Healthy cooking classes especially food classes in school

Lack of things to do

1. More sport activities for home schooled youth ages middle school and up
2. Join 4-H/FFA or other youth organizations
3. More programs for middle and high school students