

I am a Senior at Middle College and I can honestly say that I would not have graduated without them. Their formula works. Our teachers know us personally and we've created a bond with them. It's a cliché, but we're a family.

I would also like to point out that we have had multiple (and by multiple I mean at least 30+) people try to enroll into our program but Seattle Public Schools said that we were not allowed to accept any more students. Which has created a decline in enrollment. Go figure.

Our school is so important to our community in High point. The Neighborhood House said that they love seeing us in their building. The rooms that we use are dedicated to the youth programs. We are taught a creative curriculum. We have open discussions on current events such as police brutality and the oil rig. We might not always agree, but we see each other's points and remain civil. My teachers are the best teachers I have ever had. I've attended multiple schools in multiple states. For high school alone i've been through 3 different schools, and I can honestly say that my heart aches for this school. They have taught me so much in and out of the classroom. They teach you about the required curriculum, but also about respect, integrity, other cultures, and sustainability within the community. Our school gardens in the pea patch near the bee house. All of the food that we harvest gets donated to a food bank. We learn about the bees and how they're dying out. We learn about corn and how it's used as a filler in almost everything that we eat. We learned about animal rights, human rights, the civil war from both sides of the line. We've learned about hip hop history, early American culture from the perspective from Native Americans. Native American boarding schools, Native American sterilization, the Iroquois Constitution, the Trail of Tears and much more that i would never have learned about in a traditional school environment.

My school is a different school, it's out there, it's progressive. But it works. All of us alumni are proof that this works. You don't have to fit into a box. They encourage us to be free thinkers and innovators. They encourage us to be... us. Which is more than I can say for any other school I have ever attended.

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