**BEST EDUCATIONAL INPUT**

**PK ONLY**

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| **Educational Benefit** | **Concerns** | **Questions** |
| **None-written 30 times****No older siblings-written 15 times****Little kids can stay in home towns-written by 5 people****Can be modified to be an early childhood center-written by 5 people****Ready to learn/play-written by 2 people****Shorter commute-written by 2 people****Opportunity to establish new school traditions****All resources/materials/supplies all centrally located****Smaller enrollment may mean great opportunity for creativity and special projects.****Focus on early childhood and preschool level skills****Collaboration with the “new” tenants****Keeping PK needs together: special staff, diaper changes, etc****More school of choice students****Still having the community and parents will take PK more seriously** | **No role models/example from older students-written 55 times****Students become accustomed to one school and then have to transition to another school for Kindergarten-written 10 times****Separated from older students-written 10 times****Less overlap/conversations about school based ideas/learning****No cross class contacts (reading buddies)-written 40 times****No sense of community/disconnect from other students-written 5 times****Less connection with support staff (PT/OT/ Speech/Nurse/ Specials)-written 35 times****Educators may leave-written 10 times** **Limited resources-written 5 times****Small number of children limits social skill development-written 5 times****Isolation-written 40 times****No educational benefit/just family convenience-written 10 times****Could only be 7 students in a building, doesn’t sound a viable option-written 10 times****Loss of school community traditions-written by 20 people****No collaboration opportunities on a regular basis-written by 15 people****Would need to have more support staff for safety and health-written two times****More sense for Pk and K school-written 3 times****Loss of educational value/more like a daycare-written 10 times****Losing parent/families because of traveling to other schools-written 15 times****EXCLUSION-written by 20 people****Feeling of isolation from siblings-written 20 times****Isolation from being a school community-written 45 times****Educational stuff would not be purchased or replaced-written 5 times****Teachers feeling isolated/less collaboration-written 25 times****Longer staff commute****Longer bus routes-empty buses****Where is the parity****This could maintain the idea that PK is a day care****PK is where parents are/become part of their school community as a whole.**  | **Will this lead to school closing?-written by 9 people****Could they connect with siblings at special events?****Would parents send their kids knowing it was only for 1-2 years-written 3 times****How does this really help our kids?-written four times****Will specialized services like speech, OT, PT, nursing be available? Written 45 times****Would there be adequate adults available in case an emergency? Written 6 times****What about school of choice money?****Safety issues for kids if the building has multi age usage, CORIs?** **Would there be enough kids for town specific PK? Written by 3 tines****Would this model really serve the needs of this age group?****How to staff nurse, custodian and secretary? Written by 5 times****What about before and after school care?****Could it turn into daycare instead of preschool?****Won’t it be more tempting for parents to send their PK students elsewhere? Written by 5 times****With population on the rise why are we making major changes? Written by 10 times****What would happen with the rest of the building? Written by 15 tim4s****How does this allow enrichment of our PK learners is they are isolated? Written 3 times****Why fight for PK and then have them be all alone? Written 8 times** |