

# EDISON

# STUDENT VOICE

## CASE STUDY 2023



### STUDENT VOICE & ASPIRATIONS AT EDISON

At Edison, we focused on Student Voice and Engagement as our focus at our RFEP/IFEP/EO Specialized Team meetings. Many of our meeting activities involved getting to know the 8 Conditions and an exploration of the available lessons for Middle School. We did World Cafe discussions over the Student Voice Surveys (both students and teachers) and reflected on school and classroom improvement through self-reflections.

Our Student Ambassador, AVID, Music, and Leadership students helped us promote WASC initiatives and school-led events by giving tours, educating their fellow peers on the school mission and vision, entertaining guests with music, and promoting recycling and 8 conditions awareness.

We continued our successful Student-Led Conferences and continued to ask students for their input and feedback even on small things such as music selections and event ideas. One of our students even e-mailed her counselor regarding why Google Chat Should Be Unblocked because she was upset that our District blocked the app. Our students know that they have a voice and is now willing to use it more than ever, and we encourage that voice as it is useful in improving our school culture.

We have done many events, projects, and activities that involve fun and excitement to keep our students engaged. We continue our SEL and Engagement Professional Development and continue to talk about increasing student-teacher relational capacity as building trust is a key component to activating the student voice.

#### STUDENT OPINION

Why Google Chat

Should Be Unblocked

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#### STUDENT SPEECH

WASC Reception

Speech Sunday,

October 23, 2022

Student Body Vice President Speech

Good afternoon, Edison family and  
WASC Visiting Committee...

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## STUDENT & STAFF REFLECTIONS

Students and staff did many reflections regarding student voice and aspirations. We used the reflections as a starting point for discussions during staff meetings and/or classroom time.

- [Sense of Accomplishment - Taking Action \(Teachers\)](#)
- [SV Student Reflections](#)
- [Staff SVA Reflection](#)

## ASPIRATIONS

To keep students thinking about their future, we continue our annual teacher college corners, college projects, and career speakers. Our Draft Teacher even continues to bring home gold, silver, and bronze during Skills USA Championships. And this year, there's more to celebrate as one of our students passed the PSAT!

- [College Corner; College Projects](#)
- [Skills USA Championships](#)
- [Career Speakers through Homeroom \(April\)](#)

## FUN & EXCITEMENT

School is no fun without fun and excitement. Our school focuses on lunchtime events to keep things exciting!

### Lunchtime Sports and Events

- [Soccer Intramurals](#)
  - [Basketball Intramurals](#)
  - [April events](#)
- School Events:**
- [Door Decoration Contest](#)

### *Student Speech Continued...*

I would like to welcome the WASC Visiting Committee to Edison Middle School. My name is Olga Uzarraga, the Student Body Vice President. I am an eighth grader and I have been at Edison for three years. When I first came to Edison, I was feeling nervous since I was going from one teacher to multiple teachers and I didn't know what to expect. Luckily for me, I had my first Middle School year during Covid so I got to meet many of my teachers and classmates through Zoom and that made me feel better prepared and relaxed when I had to come back on-site.

For the past two years, going into my third year, I have learned that things are always going to change, such as protocols and not having the same teachers or friends and also by becoming an 8th grader. The Principal also changed. One retired and a new one stepped in to bring forth her own amazing ideas to make Edison better and the image that she would like to create. Growing your friend group can be a challenge also but possible. One thing that never changes is the message that Edison sends: You can always be yourself here and they won't judge. If somebody judges you, there will always be someone to help...

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## 8 CONDITIONS PROJECT

Check out our 8 Conditions Project videos completed by our AVID students to spread information about the 8 conditions that can make a difference in their lives. We will start these series of videos to launch our Student Voice series in the upcoming fall.

- [-8 Conditions Videos](#)
- [-8 Conditions Project](#)
- [-8 Conditions Planning Sheet](#)

## DOOR CONTESTS

This year's door decorating contest features 2 tales: a Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Door and the other, a Holiday Themed Door. Our Leadership students even promoted and judged them. Check it out in the link below:

- [-Door Decorating Contest](#)
- [-Door Judging](#)



[ARTICULATION DAY TOUR](#)

## ARTICULATION DAY TOUR

*\*THIS LINK SHOWS OUR STUDENT RECORDING A DAY IN THE LIFE AT EDISON*

## STUDENTS AS PARTNERS AT EDISON

At Edison Middle School, we actively seek student involvement in many aspects of our school, from decision-making to coordinating events, to sending messages to other students. Our student ambassadors helped us during our WASC visit by assisting with spreading and educating their peers regarding the school's mission and vision. Selected students from music performed for our visitors, and Leadership students provided school tours. During the school year, our Leadership students continue to provide tours for incoming students during articulation day, our music students performed for our incoming students, and students from all programs demonstrated their work. We continued to seek student input through classroom reflections, Student Voice surveys, and Focus Group discussions. Our AVID students began the 8 Conditions Project as a Springboard for our Student Voice Series we would like to start next year. Our AVID students also did a Recycling Project to educate their peers about the importance of recycling. They collected recyclables every Friday in all of the classrooms and offices. Last but not least, our GATE/SAS team will resume their annual Eco-Fair for the school community and surrounding community, complete with student projects from all content areas, complete with our first ever Eco-Fair Trading Post where people can donate unwanted, but gently used items.