ISC Responses, March 11, 2014

1 What should high school look like ten years from now?
   30 cross-curricular instruction
   23 decrease standardized testing
   21 foster innovative creativity
   14 flex schedule / later start time
   9 less electronics - build skills
   8 change in staff training / focus on creativity & individual child
   4 reduce homework load
   4 writing / focus on creative writing
   3 sleep / physical exercise
   2 improve nutrition
   2 teach stress reduction skills

2 What should a Lower Merion School District graduate look like (what are the skills, attitudes, and dispositions that we want for all students)?
   24 critical thinker (not bubble test taker)
   11 good contributing citizens
   8 compassionate
   8 curious
   8 life-long love of learning
   8 written communication
   6 creative
   6 globally aware
   6 writer
   4 caring
   4 self-director
   4 tech savvy
   4 time management
   3 deep reading skills
   3 honesty
   3 well-rounded
   2 open-minded
   1 well read
   0 competitive

3 What do we value as a district? And how do we hold on to our traditions while simultaneously embracing change?
   15 teacher quality
   12 critical thinking
   12 happiness / well adjusted
   11 contribution to community
   11 individual development
   9 progressive
   6 learning
   4 creativity
   3 basics
   3 innovative
   2 curriculum quality
   1 college
   1 enrichment / balance
   1 extra curricular activities
   1 legacy
   1 mission
   1 parent contribution
   1 service
   0 engaged
   0 excellence
   0 graduate education
   0 history / alumni / generations
   0 student/teacher ratio
   0 testing? / accountability