Which is the best school in Fremont Union High School District?

1.	At which of our schools do students have access to the greatest variety of AP science courses?	Monta Vista All five of our schools offer AP Biology, AP Chemistry and AP Physics. Fremont, Homestead and Monta Vista also offer AP Environmental Scienceand Cupertino HS will add this class in 2016-17. Monta Vista added AP Physics 1 last year.
2.	In which of our schools do students have access to the greatest variety of Visual and Performing Arts electives?	Homestead and Monta Vista Generally, the larger the school, the more different electives can be offered. An illustration of courses offered at each school for the 2015-16 school year is attached.
3.	Which school had the highest college readiness rate in math on the national Smarter Balanced test (CAASPP) last year?	Monta Vista (83% Exceeded Standards) The college readiness rate is determined by the proportion of students who scored at the "Standards Exceeded" level on the CAASPP in math. The FUHSD District average was 62% while the average for Santa Clara County was 27% and for the state of California 11%.
4.	In which of our schools do parents feel most confident that students are intellectually engaged in their course work and not just doing low-level rote-learning?	Fremont (69% of parents who responded to Parent Survey) reported that they agreed or strongly agreed with the statement "My child's classes engage him/her intellectually and encourage deep (not just rote) learning." In the lowest scoring school, only 51% of parents agreed with this statement.
5.	In which of our schools are parents most confident that their child is excited about coming to school?	Cupertino (63% of parents who responded to Parent Survey) reported that they agreed or strongly agreed with the statement "My child is excited about coming to school to learn." In the lowest scoring school, only 48% of parents agreed with this statement.
6.	Which school prepares more students to meet UC/CSU requirements than the state average?	Cupertino, Homestead, Fremont, Lynbrook and Monta Vistaall five schools. The California average for completing A-G requirements is 43%. FUHSD's districtwide average is 76% and the lowest average among our five schools is 53.8%.
7.	In which of our schools do students earn the most Community Service Credit hours?	Fremont The FUHSD Board of Trustees awards a Community Service Medal to any senior in a FUHSD high school who completes a minimum of 80 hours of voluntary service with a nonprofit community organization between the summer before their senior year begins and May 1 of their senior year. Fremont consistently has both the highest number of students who qualify for the medal, as well as the most number of total volunteer hours.

8.	Which of our schools has the most internationally diverse student population?	Cupertino and Homestead As reported on the Home Language Survey, both of these schools have student populations representing over 20 different home languages
9.	In which schools do parents report the highest level of satisfaction with curriculum coherence and grading practices?	Fremont and Cupertino The lack of consistency of curriculum and grading practices was noted as a concern in all five of our schools. However, Fremont and Cupertino by far had the greatest percentage of parents who agreed or strongly agreed with the statements: "Curriculum and instruction are consistent across teachers and courses in my school." And "Grading is consistent across teachers and courses in my school."
10.	Which school had the highest college readiness rate in English Language Arts on the national Smarter Balanced test last year?	Monta Vista (81% Exceeded Standard) The college readiness rate is determined by the proportion of students who scored at the "Standards
		Exceeded" level on the CAASPP in English Language Arts In FUHSD's next highest school, 72% were deemed college ready. The FUHSD District average was 63% while the average for Santa Clara County was 36% and for the state of California 23%.
11.	. Which of our schools was ranked by U.S News and World Report (magazine) as one of the top 30 STEM high schools in the nation based on AP enrollment and pass rates in	Monta Vista, Lynbrook and Cupertino This magazine ranks schools based using data on the percentage of students who take AP science and math classes and the percentage that pass those classes with a "3" or better.
	math and science?	Other publications rank high schools using different criteria. For example, some define "best" as schools that support large numbers of low-income students to take AP and do not include any of our high schools because the number of low-income students in all our schools is considered low when compared to state or national averages.
12.	Which school had the highest rate of persistence from freshman to sophomore year at UC?	Fremont (98% of students who enter UC as a freshman were still there in their sophomore year.) The University of California used to provide these data all CA high schools, but no longer do so. According to the last report we received, all five of our high schools had a UC persistence rate of between 94%-98%.
13.	In which of our schools do well over 70% of parents report that students have adequate access to honors and AP classes?	Cupertino, Fremont, Homestead and Monta Vista Over 70% of parents in these four schools reported that they agreed or strongly agreed with the statement "My child has adequate access to Honors and AP classes." Sixty-five % of parents at Lynbrook agreed or strongly agreed with the statement.

14. Between 60-80% of students at which two of our school report taking pride in and always trying their best at school?	Homestead and Fremont These two schools administered the "Youth Truth" survey and used this question to assess students' level of engagement in the work they were assigned in school. Students at the other three schools took a different survey that did not directly ask this question.
15. In which of our schools do over 40% of students report that they work hard, but rarely if ever find their school work interesting, fun or valuable?	Monta Vista, Lynbrook and Cupertino These three schools administered the Challenge Success Survey that used this question to assess students' level of engagement in the work they were assigned in school. Students at the other two schools took a different survey that did not directly ask this question.
16. In which of our schools do students have access to the greatest variety of AP classes?	Monta Vista <i>All five of our schools</i> offer AP Literature; all available AP math courses; AP Computer Science; AP US History; AP Government; AP Spanish, French, Japanese and Mandarin; AP Biology, AP Chemistry and AP Physics C.
	AP classes offered in some, but not all schools include: AP Language and Composition; AP Econ (Micro or Macro); AP Music Theory; AP Studio Art; AP Environmental Science and AP Physics I. (See attached chart of courses offered at each school.)
17. Which school had the highest AP exam pass rate last year?	Cupertino 638 CHS students took at least one an AP exam in 2014-15 and 1,579 total AP exams were taken by CHS students that year. The pass rate (3 or higher) was 92%.
	In 2014-15, approximately 65% of all juniors and seniors in FUHSD took at least one AP exam. The districtwide pass rate (3 or higher) was 88%. (Lowest school-level pass rate in FUHSD was 73%) The national pass rate was 58%, for California 57% and for Santa Clara County High Schools 70%.
18. Which school offers the Advanced Placement course in 4 different World Languages?	Cupertino, Fremont, Homestead, Lynbrook and Monta Vista – all five schools. FUHSD is one of only two school districts in Santa Clara County that offers five levels of four different languages (French, Spanish, Japanese and Mandarin). On occasion, enrollment at any one level may be so low as to require a "combination class" (e.g. AP and level 4 together in the same section) OR students offered the opportunity to take a class at another school.