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## Student Representative Report

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The weekend before last, I attended the AASB Fall Conference in Anchorage with a few of the School Board Members and one other student. At the conference, I learned a lot and took every opportunity to get fresh new ideas to bring back to the school and community.

The two main programs that I would like to get started are a Big Brother/Big Sister Program, and a Youth Court. I still have to do more research on both but I think that they would be very good options for students.

Other ideas that other students have done that I learned about, I am going to try to implement with other clubs that I am holding an officer position in.

For the issues that were brought up, one was a vegetarian alternative. On certain days, when we might have cheese burgers, lasagna, or spaghetti, students who are vegetarians can't eat what is given. The salad bar is available on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday but not on Tuesday or Thursday. Currently, I know of 3 vegetarians in our school but there might be more.

For example, a vegetarian goes into the lunch room to eat lunch and it's spaghetti. Everyone likes spaghetti but it's a meat sauce. A vegetarian alternative might include an optional alfredo sauce.

This isn't a pressing issue, but it would be greatly appreciated if there could be a vegetarian alternative on the Tuesdays and Thursdays that have a main course of meat. I'm sure that if something were to be started then it would have to wait until next year because of budgets and pre-made schedules.