# Asian Immigrant Parenting Solution

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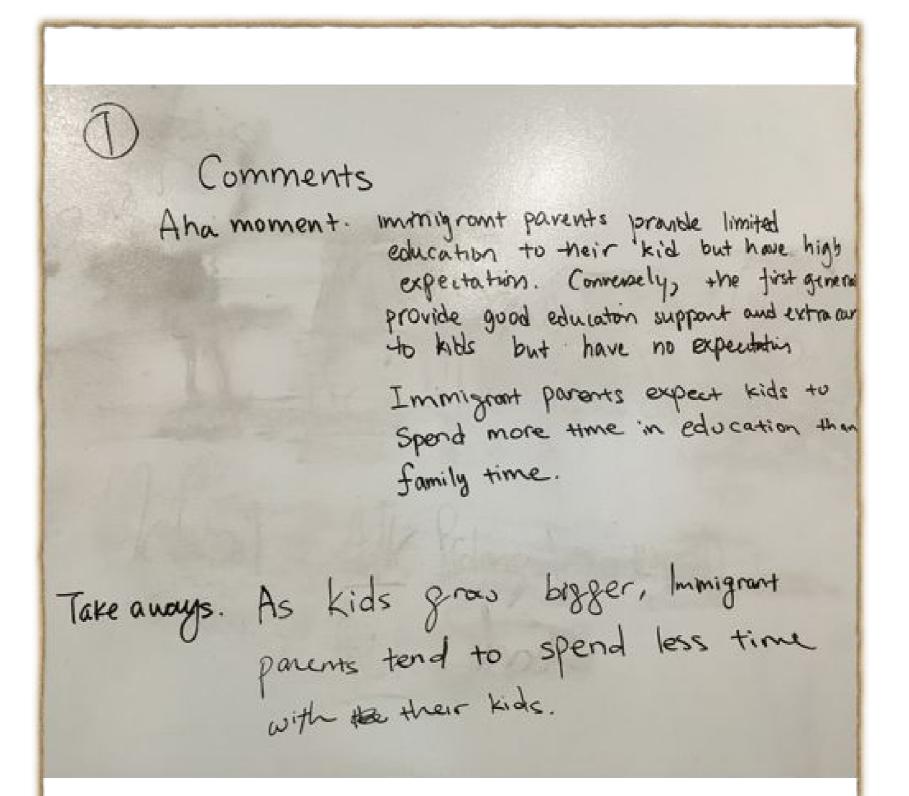
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## Problems between Asian immigrant parents and their children

- Lack of quality communication between two generations forms misunderstanding
- Asian immigrant parents have high expectations on their children's future career
- Asian immigrant want their children only focus on education

#### Theme

- Culture
- Time
- Expectation



#### Culture

- Asian Immigrant parents usually take up low skilled/labor intensive jobs in the US. They want their children to do better than them, and the only way to ensure that is to be educated.
- Instead of fighting for themselves, older generation would have their children to fulfill their American Dream.

#### Time

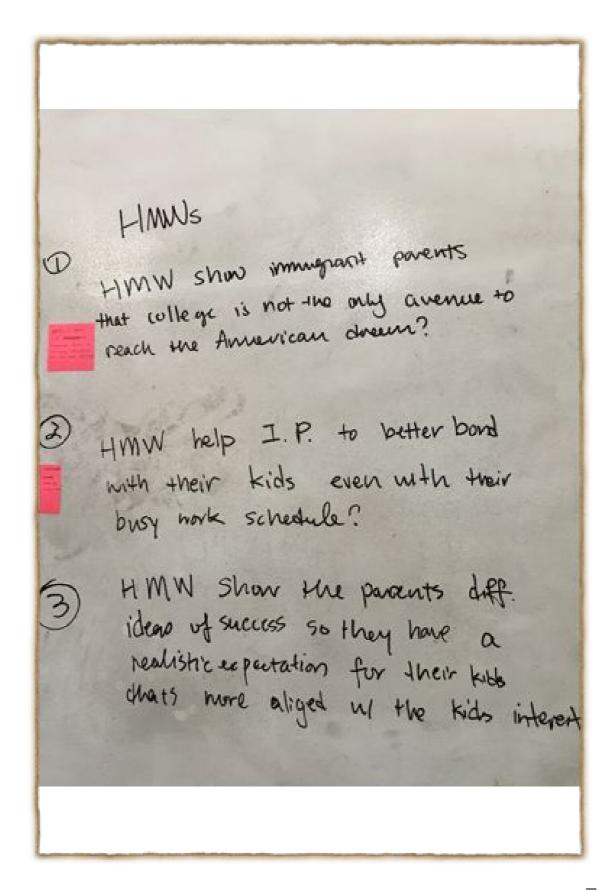
- Children only focus on extracurricular programs and school work in Asian immigrant family.
- Asian immigrant parents don't have, and don't spend time with their children, because they want them to focus only education, especially mathematics and English.
- Children spend most of their day studying.

## Expectation

- Asian immigrant parents have high expectation on their children; the only way to succeed is to become doctor, lawyer, accountant, etc.
- The idea of education equal to succeed in life carried to the next generation from older generation. Children expected to get hired in good career as they graduate from college.

#### HMW Questions

- 1. How might we show immigrant parents that college is not the only answer to reach American dream?
- 2. How might we convince immigrant parents that they should not decide their kids' future base on their experience, because their kids should have the freedom/rights to create their own life?
- 3. How might we help immigrant parents to better bond with their children?
- 4. How might we prove to immigrant parents that there might be something else more important than education in kid's childhood?



## Prototype

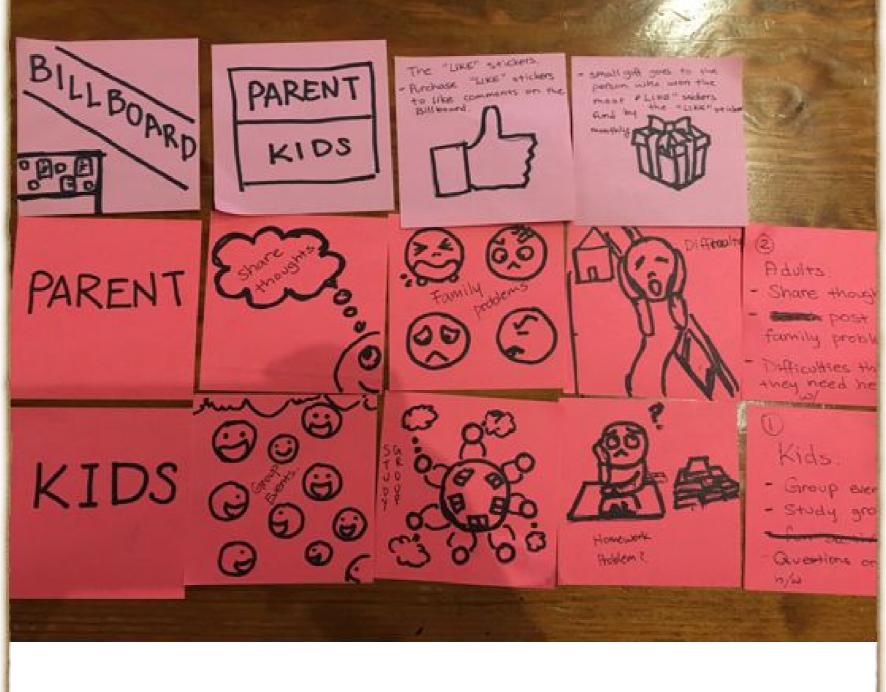
#### Community Billboard

 Our idea is to build a physical billboard on local community neighborhood, where everyone lives in the area can host events, share their thoughts and ideas.

#### Mentor-family speed matching

- Mentor will help parents with language barrier, understanding and have realistic expectation for their kids. The mentor can also help kids with homeworks and provide guidance
- The mentorship program will help immigrant family members to function and communicate better inside and outside the family.

# Community Billboard



#### Mentor-family speed matching



#### Please view the link below for our app prototype:)

https://popapp.in/projects/5614942e6166b37b7add251d/preview



### Thank you

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