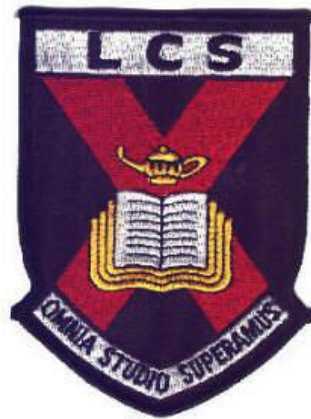


# Lawrencetown Consolidated School Advisory Council

## Annual Report 2009-2010



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**LCS Mission Statement: It is the mission of Lawrencetown Consolidated School to develop responsible citizens of the world who are life-long learners by providing worthwhile educational challenges to encourage academic, physical, and emotional growth in an atmosphere supportive of all children and their individual differences and by providing for all children, opportunities for success.**

**School Profile:**

**Demographics:**

~ School staff consists of the following:

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|----------------------------|------------------------|
| - 12 Teachers              | - 1 Administrator      |
| - 6 Educational Assistants | - 1 Library Technician |
| - 1 Secretary              | - 1 Cafeteria Manager  |
| - 2 Custodians             | - 4 Bus Drivers        |

**School Programs:**

~ Curricular programs available according to the Nova Scotia Department of Education (*Public School Program*)

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|----------------------|----------------------------|
| - Primary to Grade 6 | - Physical Education       |
| - Music              | - Core French (Grades 4-6) |
| - Resource           | - Reading Recovery         |

~ Extra-curricular and Co-curricular Programs

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|--|---|
| - Peer Mediators                                 | - Recess Sports (Primary – Gr. 2) Noon Sports (Gr. 3 – 6) |
| - Choir  | - Hackmatack Reading Program                              |
| - LCS Running Club                               | - Cross Country Running                                   |
| - Peer Literacy Tutors                           | - Skipping Club   |
| - After school and Intramural Basketball Program | - Computer Buddies  |
| - Class Trips                                    | - Reading Buddies   |
| - PALS Program                                   | - Enrichment Modules                                      |
| - Math Tutors                                    | - Floor Hockey Intramurals                                |
| - Lacrosse                                       | - Softball  |
| - Soccer   | - Badminton   |

### **Principal's Message:**

Another year has passed before us and we continue to work hard on providing new resources, activities and initiatives for our students. The LCS school community is truly a strong team comprised of the school staff and School Advisory Council who work closely together to achieve many on-going projects. Progress continued with the building of the new shade structure, picnic tables and park benches and the planting of new shrubs and trees on the playground with funding provided through the Evergreen grant.

Two True Sport grants of \$5000.00 each were awarded to LCS. One was a general grant to cover the cost of new sports equipment and after school sport activities for students. The second grant was awarded to support the formation of the *Lawrencetown Basketball League*, an organized basketball league, provided free of charge to students and housed out of the school.

The creation of LCS's *Riverside Press*, a book publishing company, sponsored by the *Publish It! Lawrencetown* project, was a highlight this year; yielding many books created and printed by students and their families. Our own collection is on display in the library and on-line.

And who could forget National *Hockeyville* mania? Community spirit was at its peak this year when everyone –young and old joined together to vote for Lawrencetown who was in the bid to become the next *Hockeyville*.

Many thanks goes out to our treasured volunteers: SAC members, parents and community members who, time and time again, offer a helping hand to help us make LCS a great place for students to learn, grow and become the best they can be. The journey continues for next year! ***Karen Baker***

### **Chairperson's Message:**

Another successful year has passed at LCS. We are pleased to have been an active participant in the Schools Review Process. This process presented us with significant challenges with regard to population and funding for our school and we feel we have provided some workable solutions to some of these problems. We will continue to work with the AVRSB to make LCS an even better facility.

LCS has met its Accreditation Goals and, at the presentation ceremony, very nice things were said about our school. The SAC members who were part of that accreditation process feel proud of what the school has accomplished these past three years. We look forward to being a part of the next accreditation round.

The SAC continues to provide input to the AVRSB and Department of Education when asked for our opinion on matters such as Closure Due to Weather or School Attendance.

I would like to thank all the SAC members for their hard work this year and I would also like to thank the administration, staff and students at LCS for making this such a wonderful school in which to work. ***Steve Baskwill***

## *LCS Other Initiatives 2009-2010*

Riverside Press begins at LCS  
Santa's Little Helpers fund raising event  
Accreditation meeting with staff from DOE Nov. 6.  
Beginning Readers project  
True Sport grants: LCS awarded \$10,000  
Terry Fox Walk  
Library Patrons Program  
Lunch with Families  
Valley Waste Management visit  
Bus safety and evacuation practice held  
Roots of Empathy program began  
Peace Poster contest -Lion's Club  
Adopt the Troops letter writing  
Remembrance Day assembly  
Annual turkey dinner  
Holiday Concert  
Sammy Snowplow safety presentation  
PJ , Crazy Hair & Stuffed Animal Days  
Earthquake victims in Haiti support  
Skating: 2 Outings were held  
Read-A-Thon

Bus Bullying presentations  
Winteractive outdoor activities  
New Primary Orientation  
Marilyn More, Minister of Education  
met with LCS Principal  
Annual Book Fair  
Strive for 5 Provincial Launch  
Goatworks Drumming presentation  
Volunteer Appreciation Tea  
Vesey's Seeds Orders  
Georgetown chorus visit  
Drug Awareness poster contest  
Earth Day Challenge  
Accreditation presentation with  
members of AVRSB, DoE  
Assemblies (Student of month/term)  
Skipping club presentation  
Primary Orientations  
Grade 6 banquet  
Field day



### **Additional LCS Staff Professional Development:**

Supporting Math Instruction for all learners: Differentiation (Creating open-ended questions and parallel tasks.)

Initiating PEBS strategies; developing a school-wide matrix of expected behaviours;

reviewing Provincial Code of Conduct Guidelines.

Reviewing RCH policies and procedures.

Technology focus: integrating technology in classroom curriculum. Work on PEBS strategies

AVRSB LD conference:

Book study, continued work on PEBS strategies and data review.

Dr. Meredith Greene presented a workshop on learner profiles.

Provincial In-service Day

PALS Training Session

### **LCS Site & Building Changes:**

The computer room wiring is complete

New shelves/hook units built and affixed to walls in girls' and boys' locker rooms

True Sport sign and Guiding Principles sign affixed to gym wall

Stall doors in boys' main washroom replaced

Two new backboards and hoops for basketball affixed to gym wall

Storage cupboard unit installed in office

Wiring in the main office was re-routed

Data projector in computer room installed

New sign post at top of driveway

Removal of dead pine tree

Shade Structure built on Playground

Trees and shrubs planted on playground

### **SAC Achievements 2009-2010:**

Handbook for volunteers updated  
Website containing minutes and other SAC information was maintained  
SAC binders were provided for all members  
Cost of Shade Structure paid by SAC  
Facilities review public meeting presentation made by SAC Chair  
Emergency Lunch Program supported  
Printer and ink purchased for Office  
AVRSB Anthem Policy Feedback provided  
Breakfast With Santa successfully planned and run  
LCS SAC attended a meeting of the BRES SAC  
SAC prepared response to Phase Two of the AVRSB School  
Facilities Review  
Spring Bingo planned and run  
SAC Chair met with Marilyn More, Minister of Education  
Barcodes and library supplies provided  
Promoting Student Engagement response provided to  
Department of Education  
\$1000 put towards furthering the Evergreen Project  
Staff Appreciation Week – camera purchased – other events  
Save Grade 2 Initiative supported in writing  
Provincial School Attendance Report responded to for DoE  
Accreditation plaque presentation attended  
Family Matters support provided for fall event  
Responded to Delayed Opening survey from AVRSB  
Supported Grade 6 Graduation  
Reading Buddies -3 books donated  
Picnic Tables – purchased  
Professional Journals purchased for staff



### **Community Partnerships:**

LCS could not be as successful in meeting our goals of providing an enriching learning experience to the students without the continued support and efforts of the following partnerships within our community. We appreciate and value the assistance, monetary and otherwise, from parents / guardians, community members, service clubs and businesses. Our thanks are extended to the following:

- ~ TRA Foods Middleton
- ~ Dairy Queen
- ~ LCS Advisory Council members
- ~ Nova Scotia Power Corporation
- ~ RCMP
- ~ Waste Resource Management
- ~ Blue Griffin Bookstore
- ~ MRHS Band
- ~ Bright Beginnings
- ~ Lawrencetown Recreation
- ~ Department of natural resources
- ~ Volunteers (fundraisers, lice detection team, fluoride team, classroom helpers, cookbook makers, cafeteria)
- ~ BRHS Band
- ~ Emergency Health Services – EHS
- ~ Lawrencetown Volunteer Fire Department
- ~ Royal Canadian Legion Branch 112
- ~ Valley Rose Rebekah Lodge #126
- ~ Lawrencetown Lions Club
- ~ Staples
- ~ Annapolis Valley Regional Library
- ~ Family Matters
- ~ Advanced Geomatics Research Group (NSCC)

### **School Advisory Council Members:**

NAME	POSITION	REPRESENTING	TERM ENDS
Steve Baskwill	Chair	Community	2011
Sharon Shaw		Community	2010
Madelyn McLain		Community	2012
Marie Josee Rosconi		Staff	2011
Nancy Vanasse		Staff	2012
Liz Cox		Staff	2010
Denise Naugler	Vice Chair	Parent	2010
Susanne Ruggles	Treasurer	Parent	2011
Debbie Rice	Secretary	Parent	2012
Karen Baker		Principal	