

Lawrencetown Consolidated School Advisory Council

Annual Report 2010-2011



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School Vision: “Working Together for Student Success”.

LCS Mission Statement: It is the mission of Lawrencetown Consolidated School to develop responsible, life-long learners in a student centered environment where all educational partners are successful, respected and valued.

School Profile:

Demographics:

~ School staff consists of the following:

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

School Programs:

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

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

~ Extra-curricular and Co-curricular Programs

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



Principal's Message:

The arrival of June marks another monumental year in LCS's school history. We say farewell to our grade 5 and grade 6 students this year as they both head off to the middle school at BRHS. This is the last year for grade 6 students to be at LCS. Students were busily involved in many transition activities that took place throughout the year Legacy trees were planted and a picture was taken of all the school members –big and small. Our little school will look much different next year as declining enrolments take a toll giving us fewer homeroom classes.

This year was another fun-filled active one again. Special thanks must be extended toward the many staff members who regularly volunteered their time to provide students with opportunities for extra-curriculars and special activities. As well, we extend our appreciation to our SAC members for supporting the many programs, activities and events we host for students. All of you volunteers make LCS the student-centered multi-opportunity place it is!

On the technology side, LCD projectors were installed in each of the classrooms and Smartboards were used by some of our staff to help support student learning. In the fall, we will begin year one of our new accreditation cycle and we will continue to support student learning with frameworks such as *Beginning Readers* for literacy development and *Investigations* for math. LCS may be small, but it is mighty!

Karen Baker

Chairperson's Message:

Our Advisory Council has been very active again this year. We have been a part of the Primary-12 Study Group for Bridgetown Regional High School and participated in the Joint SAC meeting in February. Our group responded to the request for input on a number of issues from the AVRSB and wrote to government officials concerning the proposed budget restraints. An Internet Safety night was held and we continue to support the school through the Home and School Committee's work with Breakfast with Santa and the Spring Bingo.

We will face continued challenges as the population in the District declines and dollars become scarcer. Our role may have to change in the coming years, but the dedicated members of the SAC seem ready for this challenge.

I wish to thank the SAC members who attend each and every meeting and lend their time and talents to our projects throughout the year. Your work is much appreciated.

Steve Baskwill

LCS Other Initiatives 2010-2011

Terry Fox Walk
Library Patrons Program
Lunch with Families
Valley Waste Management visit
Bus safety and evacuation practice held
Roots of Empathy program
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, Crazy Hat and Special Colors Days
Skating: 2 Outings were held
Read-A-Thon
Winteractive outdoor activities
Visiting Illustrator Doretta Groenendyk workshops
Snow Angels Co-operative Record Attempt
French Fashion show Gr. 5 and 6 students
Bike rodeo
Whole school bussed to BRHS band concert
Gr. 5 and 6 students to BRHS for transition field day activities
Bicycle Annapolis county Week Ride your bike to school day
SSP new cycle-self-assessment and development of new SSP
Apple Blossom Temporary Tattoo contest –student recognized
Two student organized variety shows
Gr. 6 Country Fair project displays

New Primary Orientation
Annual Book Fair
African Drumming student workshops
Volunteer Appreciation Tea
Drug Awareness poster contest
Earth Day Challenge
Assemblies (Student of month/term)
Skipping club presentation
Raising money for relief in Japan – penny drive
Grades 5&6 banquet
Field day
Beginning Readers continues
Miracle Jeans Day
Stand up Against Bullying
DNR skit about the Importance of Trees
ACCESS 3 year-old screening
Presentation on life in Africa by Josh Pozzolo – parent
Dare to Dance: International Dance Day celebrations
Gr. 3 and 4 choir to AEES
Whole school photo
LCS T-shirt/hat orders
Volunteer Appreciation Tea
Visit by Cyber Cop
RRFB contest –student recognized
School-wide enrichment workshops
Gr. 6 Science Fair displays
Decorating the Village Tree

Additional LCS Staff Professional Development:

School Success Planning continues through the year.

Training for staff – Smart boards/laptops.

New book study: *Talk About Assessment* by Damian Cooper

Education Committee presentation: Discussed opportunities, what we're working on and some of our challenges.

Regional in-service held to develop solid unit plans with a focus on assessment using the Backward Design framework.

Provincial Conference day – staff attending various workshops

Gr. 4-6 teachers attended a Professional Development session on assessment.

Gr. P-2 teachers attended Beginning Readers sessions.

Principal attended Principal's in Focus conference - We are teaching 21st Century Learners

Powerschool: New student Information system training

School Success Plan Process Peer Review Team visit

LCS Site & Building Changes:

LCD projectors installed in classrooms

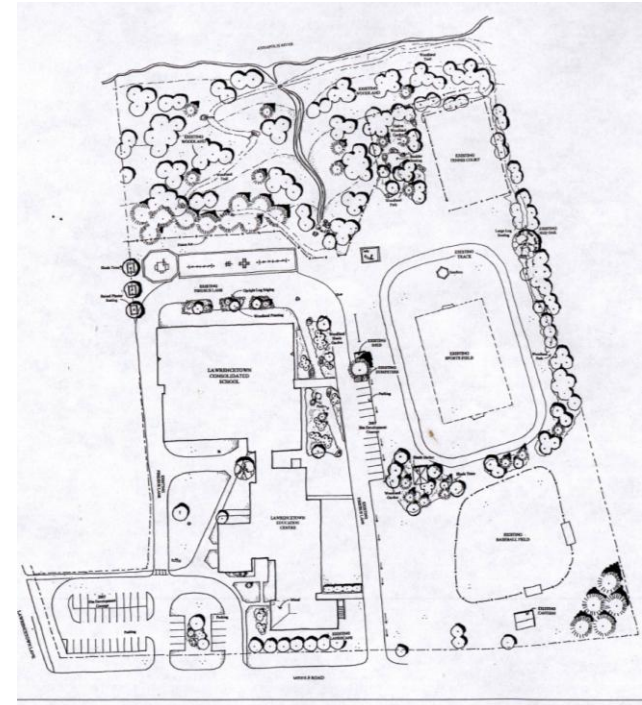
Sandbox built in soccer field

Motors attached to raise basketball nets

Sandbox repaired on West side

Trees planted in "International" garden

Phase II of the Evergreen Project undertaken



SAC Achievements 2010-2011:

Handbook for volunteers updated
Website containing minutes and other SAC information was maintained weekly
Participated in Bridgetown P-12 Study Group meetings
SAC binders were provided for all members
Breakfast With Santa successfully planned and run
LCS SAC attended a Joint meeting BRHS/BRES SAC
Spring Bingo planned and run
\$1000 put towards furthering the Evergreen Project
Staff Appreciation Week – books purchased and other events
Supported Grade 5 and 6 Graduation
Reading Buddies - 3 books donated
Professional Journals purchased for staff
Hosted RCMP presentation of Internet/cell phone safety
Investigated possibility of developing an after school program
Attended the launch of Family Literacy Day at Gaspereau Elementary School
Responded to AVRSB Sexual Misconduct between Employees and Students draft policy
Supported Cost share purchase of Smart Boards
Wrote to members of the Legislature concerning the state of Education Funding



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, fluoride team, classroom helpers, enrichment, 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)
- ~ Myrtle Rebekah Lodge Middleton

School Advisory Council Members:

NAME	POSITION	REPRESENTING	TERM ENDS
Steve Baskwill	Chair	Community	2011
Lynn Roscoe	Vice Chair	Community	2013
Madelyn McLain		Community	2012
Marie Josee Rosconi		Staff	2011
Nancy Vanasse		Staff	2012
Chandra Toole		Staff	2013
Sarah Medicraft		Parent	2013
Susanne Ruggles	Treasurer	Parent	2011
Debbie Rice	Secretary	Parent	2012
Karen Baker		Principal	