Lyons Creek Middle Title I



"Roaring with Pride" Vernicca B. Wynter, Principal

Assistant Principals
Dr. Thomas Howard, Mr. Thomas Bellamy & Ms. Dory Vega
SAC Meeting
Tuesday, December 18th, 2018
8:15 A.M.

1. Call to Order

2. November Minutes Voting

3. Principal's Message "Vernicca Wynter"

4. Departments Updates

Guidance: Fredericks

ESE: Kopf

Unified Arts: Barad

Science: Shumrak

Language Arts: Rashbaum

5. Calendar

Yearbook Advertisement Sales Early Release Day-December 21st Winter Break- December 24th -January 4th Planning Day- January 7th Back to School for Students-January 8th SAC/SAF Meeting-January 15th at 8:15 a.m. Social Studies: Daley

Math: Mueller

Reading: Lobban

• ELL: Wright

6. Questions/Concerns/Comments

The Mission of LCMS is to maintain a safe, secure learning environment where tolerance, respect and accountability provide learning experiences that empower our diverse LCMS community

LYONS CREEK MIDDLE

SAC Minutes - December 18, 2018

1. Call to Order:

A meeting of the Lyons Creek Middle School Advisory Council was held in the Distance Learning Room on December 18, 2018. Chair Shena Wright called the meeting to order at 8:17 a.m. Shemetria Sullivan will record minutes for this meeting.

2. November Minutes Voting:

Dr. Howard motions to approve the minutes from November 13, 2018, with any necessary corrections. Motion passed and approved.

New Business:

3. Principal's Message:

- Mrs. Wynter is at the School Board Meeting accepting ECTAC Award.
- Dr. Howard wished everyone Happy Holidays.
- Safety and Security is Top Priority
- Monthly Code Red Drills are a State Mandate.
- Thank you to the City of Coconut Creek for providing 2 full-time SRO's.
- Grade-Level Recognition Programs were held to recognize students who have shown improvement in Academics, Behavior, and Attitude
- Straight A Café- approximately 250 students were recognized.
- Kudos to Mrs. Vega for spear-heading our CSA 2 Scheduling.
- Thank you PTSA for their generous donation in helping to fund the Pride Slide.

1. Department Updates:

A. GUIDANCE

- 7th and 8th graders are continuing with course recovery.
- Classroom guidance for SEL continues
- Students are completing Naviance activities
- Magnet roadshow at LCMS went well--District window for SCHOOL CHOICE open now and closes 2-6-19.
- Health screening make-ups for absent/re-screening 6th graders
- Grade level Recognition assemblies on December 20, 2018
- Scoliosis Screening for 6th graders--January 8, 2019

B. ESE

- The ESE students in General Education have been finishing up last minute work and projects for the end
 of the second quarter marking period. They have also been finishing up CSA testing in either small groups
 or in the classroom with extra time.
- Our SVE students have been learning all about the end of year celebrations around the world and how
 different cultures and religions celebrate. They also just recently received a brand-new curriculum and
 are having fun with all the new books and materials they are now working with.

Gifted

Steegstra-6th grade SS-We have been studying ancient civilizations; they researched and created mini
posters on ancient inventions of Mesopotamia. We are now exploring ancient Egypt. They scored
well/highly proficient on their CSA #2

- Nussbaum-8th grade LA-They have been presenting their Genius hour projects and reading The Giver.
 They have also been working on their literary fair projects.
- Periu-7th grade LA-My gifted classes are reading <u>To Kill a Mockingbird</u> and completing characterization and thematic activities for each chapter.
- Hughes-7th grade Science-Gifted students designed an exercise lab to show the relationship between 4 body systems. They measured breathing rate, heart rate, and temperature using our new LABDISC probe ware. They spent one period exploring the probe ware and the next period using the probe ware in their experiment. It was very successful.
- Immune System and infectious disease topics will be discussed next week. Science Fair projects will also be printed next week.
- All 7th grade gifted are participating in the Broward County Science Fair. Our Family Science Fair Night is on January 17th, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Awards will be announced at 7 pm. We are attending a fieldtrip with 6th grade gifted students to the Frost Museum in February.
- · Amy Shumrak-6th Grade Gears (Science)-
- The GEARS students are working on their E-Cybermission online science fair project. They also just completed a multi-media presentation on the Unit of study on currents in the atmosphere, oceans, and water cycle.
- Roys- They just finished a research project based on topics they have an interest in during the Revolutionary war. They created a newspaper or news broadcast.

C. UNIFIED ARTS

- Spanish 1 and 2 are reviewing for their midterms taking place on 12/17 & 12/18.
- Mr. LaSpina's morning show crew continues to perform the daily live AM show jobs and update the daily scrolling announcements.
- His Video Production students are filming their Public Service Announcement Storyboards and editing them in iMovie.
- He took his 8th graders over to Deerfield Beach High School so they could check out their VIDEO PRODUCTION program in their Communication Broadcast Arts Magnet program. They were led on a tour of the whole school and were allowed to use the television studio controls to run a show.
- His LEEO classes are taking and passing their Industry Certification Exams in Microsoft Office programs.
- They are also successfully running their Textile Recycling Business pulling in over \$3000.00 this year alone for the LEEO program.
- Mr. LaSpina's 8th grade LEEO students are learning resume writing skills as well.
- In Spanish 1, students are learning regular verb conjugation in the AR, ER & IR verb ending. They are also working on house chores vocabulary words.
- In band, the Advanced and Jazz Bands performed Dec. 11th. Jazz band performed at Police Department Dec. 13th. The beginners and intermediate bands perform December 18th, and the Jazz Band will be performing December 20th for the grade level recognition assemblies.
- 6th Grade Robotics Students are completing the Cell Phone App Development unit. They have already programmed sound board applications, a virtual "Magic Eight Ball" app, and a "Whack-A-Mole" video game for Android cell phones or tablets.
- 7th Grade Robotics Students are currently building Soda Bottle rockets, which they will be launching
 within the next few days. Students will not only reinforce engineering skills with this activity, but I will
 use it to teach Newton's Three Laws of Motion (since many of my students skip eighth grade physical
 science and go straight into biology). In addition, I will use it to introduce the basic trigonometry
 necessary to calculate the rocket's altitude.

- 8th Grade Advance Information Technology Students are completing the Animations and Game
 Development Unit. They are about to start their Unit Project A fully functional video game written in
 JavaScript.
- Peer Counseling has kicked off the TEAM Peer Mentoring program, and it is going great so far! In December our monthly focus was on stress and coping skills. Students learned what stress stems from and different ways to help them alleviate or deal with the stress. In January we will focus on setting goals and having a "vision" for the 3rd and 4th quarter. Thank you to all who helped make our Treats for Troops candy drive a success- we were able to make and send out over 200 bags of candy and thank you notes to troops and Veteran's. Be on the lookout for upcoming outreaches in the future!

Media-

- o 8th Grade has completed Course Recovery.
- o 7th grade Course Recovery has begun.
- The Fall Book fair raised over \$8,600.
- Over 800 new books have been assed to the Media Center this year.
- 20 new tablets will be purchased.
- Health- Students are completing the CPR Unit. At the end of the unit all students will be CPR Certified (Adult, Child, and Infant)

D. SCIENCE

6th Grade

- Ms. Kirsch Advanced students have been diligently working on science fair and are coming into the last week of it. All classes participated in the skittle weathering lab to demonstrate knowledge of physical and chemical weathering.
- Mr. Rubiano M&M Weather and Climate Graham Cracker Layers of the Earth Milky Way Plate Tectonics Skittle Erosion Weathering Mind Mapping
- Mr. Weisselberg My students cut out photos from magazines that show weathering, erosion and deposition, and they made posters explaining how pictures demonstrate the processes.
- Ms. Minisci Next week will be doing the rock cycle lab for students to determine the different types of rocks.
- Ms. Shumrak The GEARS students are working on their E-cybermission science fair projects as well as
 making multi-media presentations on atmosphere, ocean currents, and the water cycle. The Advance
 classes did several labs to show how rocks can weather.
- Ms. Kozlin Labs such as Salt sand chalk mechanical weathering, Skittles weathering and Erosion Explore
 Lab, Starburst Rock cycle lab, Sort it out Weathering, Erosion, Deposition group activity, Rock and Roll
 Journey Pair Share Activity, Rock Cycle comic strips, BrainPOP Reviews to name a few.

7th Grade

- Ms. Tousignant We just completed our Dragon Genetics Lab (which models meiosis and inheritance of traits) and our M&M Genetics Labs (which models complete dominance and genetic probabilities). We are currently preparing/taking the CSA #2 and will be starting evolution next week by introducing Charles Darwin and his journey on the HMS Beagle.
- Mr. Meehan Genetic probability candy lab, color your own chromosome (according to individual traits), dragon genetics lab, review game for CSA 2.
- Ms. Hughes GEARS cell processes, maintaining homeostasis, interacting systems maintaining homeostasis. Measuring the body's response to exercise using new Lab Disc probe ware.
- Frost Museum Fieldtrip in March for gifted classes only,
- All classes wrapping up Science Fair projects. Due 12/14.
- Family Night, January 17th. 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Awards @ 7:00 pm sharp.
- LIFE Heredity and Punnet Squares. CSA2, Franken fish Activity; Extracting DNA from a strawberry.
- Continue using STEMscopedia online, CANVAS, and USA Test Prep.
- Evolution, Natural Selection, Fossil evidence and Classification after break.

8th Grade

- Ms. Holland: We're using STEM Scopes and the students are having fun learning. We do a lot of
 exploration activities which really help the students grasp the concept. There is a strong reading/ELA
 and math infusion into the curriculum.
- Ms. Vonderlinden We just finished up unit 2 changes in matter and are beginning 7th grade review!
- Labs and projects, including:
- Lab on testing the properties of several metals and non-metallic elements with properties such as flammability, reactivity, solubility, and malleability.
- Lab on Law of Conservation of Mass in which we observed the masses of reactants and products in a chemical reaction.
- Create your own magazine about a theory in science and write an article on why this theory is accepted.
- Make a 3D model of an animal and plant cell, and label the parts

E. LANGUAGE ARTS

6th grade

- CSA
- review CSA data remediation and enrichment
- Reviewing analogies
- 2nd quarter project presentations
- The Watsons go to Birmingham 1963
- Gifted "A Long Walk to Water" (time line project and novel study)
- Background for Call It Courage (i.e. vocabulary, courage, culture, setting, etc.)
- reviewing protagonist, antagonist, types of literary conflict, static vs dynamic characters, and round vs. flat characters
- Vocabulary and Background knowledge for the Watsons

7th grade

- CSA
- review CSA data remediation and enrichment
- 5 types of Point of View.
- Gifted To Kill a Mockingbird and completing characterization and thematic activities for each chapter.
- A Christmas Carol and working on standards-based activities
- Project (Book Report) Mystery (Genre)
- Word Meanings via Context Clues
- Figurative Language
- Story Elements
- Point of View

8th grade

- CSA
- review CSA data remediation and enrichment
- The Giver and working on Literary Fair.
- Moving into collections 3 to focus on word meanings, analyzing test structure and reviewing POV.
- We have wrapped up Edgar Allan Poe collections and will be starting a novel.
- working on Literature Portfolios in preparation for the Literary Fair. Focus on planning body paragraphs and planning short stories.

F. SOCIAL STUDIES

6th Grade

All teachers are working on Egypt and all teachers finished their requirements for the 2nd CSA.

7th Grade

- Completed the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation, the Federalists and Anti-Federalists, and the 6 principles of the constitution.
- All teachers finished their requirements for the 2nd CSA.

8th Grade

- Completed the Revolutionary War and is working on the Articles of Confederation and the Constitutional Convention.
- All teachers finished their requirements for the 2nd CSA.

G. MATH

6th Grade

- Working on expressions and combining like terms.
- GEM6- Area of polygons on a coordinate plane. Will take midterms this week.

7th Grade

- Working on similar figures and shadow reckoning.
- At level classes will begin working on surface area, composite area, circumference, and area of a circle

<u>Algebra</u>

Finishing up systems of Inequalities and preparing for our Mid -terms with reviews.

Geometry

- Currently reviewing for the midterm exam.
- · After the Christmas Break, we will begin working with right triangles and trigonometry.

H. READING

- The Reading Department has completed Fair Testing.
- The Department will be having Data Chats (Remediating and Reteach misconceptions as needed) with students on the CSA Post Test results (Key Ideas and Details in Literature).
- Reading classes will be celebrating success/growth with students.
- Cycle 3 Pretest (Craft and Structure) will be administered on January 10th, 2019.

I. ELL

The ACCESS ELL State Assessment will begin 1/28 until the end of March.

J. QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

 A concern was brought to the committee regarding the new protocol that PTSA members can sell only if they are on the board? Dr. Howard states that the school is trying to cut down the number of people in the cafeteria while student lunch is in session.

K. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Commissioner Welch introduced Yvonne Lopez who handles Marketing and Social Media for the City of Coconut Creek.
- Ms. Lopez said that she visits schools in the community looking for great stories to cover.
- Commissioner Welch spoke about the Special Needs Holiday party that will be held at the Coconut Creek Community Center.
- HELP Academy will begin 1/15/19. Sessions will be held every Tuesday and Thursday. The purpose of HELP Academy is to remediate and prepare students for FSA.
- This year Algebra has been included in HELP Academy.
- Latinos In Action (LIA) has 22 students that visit Tradewinds Elementary every Tuesday and Thursday to mentor Latino students.

- LIA will visit FIU in March for Convention.
- LCMS was chosen by a local radio station to come in and pay off all outstanding lunch balances.
- 6th Grade Tours- 1/26, 2/23, 3/16, and 4/13.
- Course Cards for 7th and 8th grade will be completed online through Naviance.
- 266 students received invitations for National Junior Honor Society. Students needs a 3.8 cumulative GPA to be eligible.
- Washington DC Trip- 3/19 3/21/19
- PTSA Rubio's Fundraiser- 12/19/18.

Reports:

- 1. November 13, 2018 SAC minutes
- 2. December 18, 2018 SAC Agenda

Next Meeting Date & Time:

The next meeting will be held on January 15, 2019 in the Distance Learning Room.

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion: SAC Co-Chair Shena Wright motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by, Shemetria Sullivan SAC Secretary December 18, 2018

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