

## *July 2021 Administrative Reports*

Primary Education Center (attached)

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Intermediate Education Center

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Middle School (attached)

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High School (attached)

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**TO:** Lewiston Porter Board of Education  
**FROM:** Tamara Larson  
**DATE:** July 2021  
**RE:** PEC Board Meeting Report

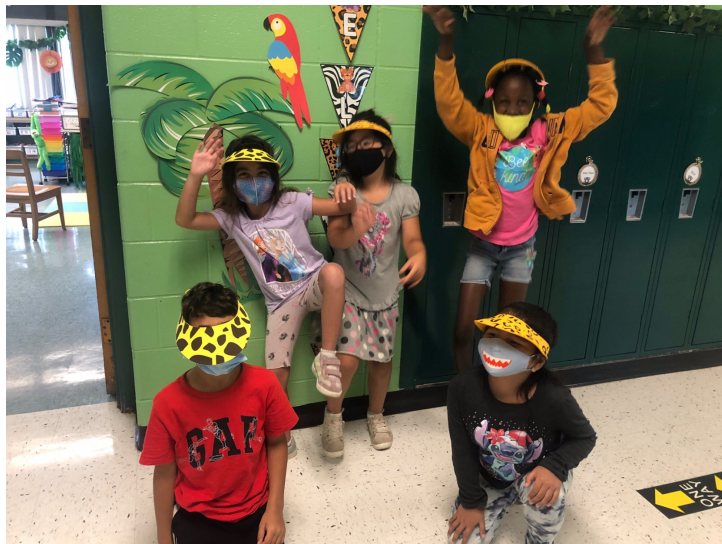
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### **SeeSaw Analytics 2020-2021 School Year**

The SeeSaw digital platform continues to be an important school to home communication tool for our elementary families. This year the platform supported our remote and hybrid learning model by giving students the opportunities to record their voice and to showcase their developing digital portfolios.

All Time for Lewiston-Porter Primary Education Center

<b>202,681</b>	<b>91,635</b>	<b>212,108</b>	<b>183,128</b>
Posts Added	Comments Made on Student Work	Likes of Student Work	Visits by Family Members



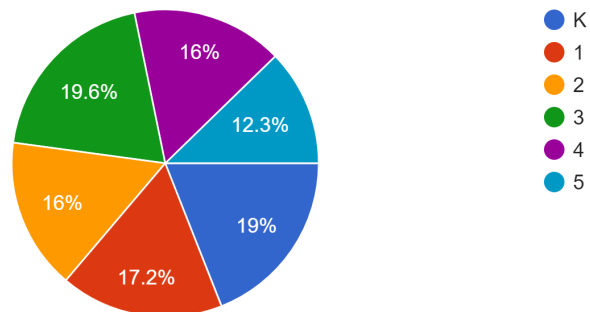
### **Safari Summer Learning Camp**

164 students registered for our elementary summer camp program K-5 (See breakdown of grades, below). Primary students are rotating through reading, writing and math lessons in a departmentalizing model offering students opportunities for movement and specialization in each core discipline. Our intermediate level students are working on interdisciplinary projects together. The teachers have weaved in the rainforest and animal projects

into ELA and part of the math instruction. The teachers are utilizing a book series that they will incorporate as a read aloud for close reading strategies. Interactive notebooks and writing journals are used daily. A Junior Counselor component has also been incorporated to support middle and high school students who are interested in education. The middle and highschool counselors helped to recruit students. They are wonderful role models for our younger students and begin each day with positive morning announcements. A [Family Handbook for K-5 Summer Camp](#) was created and is posted on the PEC website.

## Grade Level (Current School Year 20/21)

163 responses



### **Meet our New Elementary Program Coordinator, Aliscia Krecisz**



I am thrilled to be part of the Lew-Port family! My first day began on July 6 with the students in summer camp! The green wing at the PEC is full of talented teachers who have worked hard to create a safari themed camp that focuses on SEL and academics. The students are so happy to come and it has been a wonderful way to begin a new adventure! Tamara and Tina have welcomed me to the PEC & IEC. They both have been wonderful and supportive setting up my offices, touring me around the buildings, introducing me to staff and really making me excited about working together as a team.

My family and I call Lewiston home. My oldest daughter Bella just graduated in June. She will be attending St. Bonaventure and running track. My youngest daughter, Sofia, will be entering 10th grade at the High School and plays soccer. My husband Richard, runs our family restaurant The Country Cottage. We have three dogs Luna, Louie and Chase and love cooking, traveling and being with family.

I am joining LP with 22 years of experience in education. I have served as a literacy coach, general education teacher (K-5), consultant teacher, integrated co-teacher, self contained teacher in 6:1:1 and 8:1:1 and a literacy coordinator in surrounding districts. I am so grateful for the many unique opportunities that I have been privileged to experience.

Lew-Port's mission ***One Purpose. Your Pathway. Our Promise*** is a rally cry to outgrow our best teaching and bring our best selves to the front. Our students, and teachers are counting on us more than ever. With all the new initiatives, and the strategic plan, I am ready to roll up my sleeves, grab my coffee and get to work! I am humbled and honored to support both buildings with the new science programs, Restorative Practice, IRLA training, reading/writing workshops, Peer Coordinators, and Math TOSAS to name just a few! I am grateful to be a part of this important work. My passion for outgrowing my best has me excited for all that is to come at Lew-Port. Most importantly, I look forward to building new relationships with each of the members of the PEC, IEC and the entire Lew-Port family!

# Board Notes

Monday, July 26, 2021

## Past Events

- 8th Grade Moving up Celebration Parade and activity day on June 21 was a great success! Students were greeted by the 8th grade faculty and their classmates on their final day at the Middle School and parents were able to help us celebrate as we sent the Class of 2025 off to the High School. Our 8th grade team put together a memorable experience for our students who had a very unusual year and a half as we navigated the pandemic disruption. The remainder of the day included a light breakfast, viewing of the 8th grade slideshow, a pizza lunch (*Huge thank you to Favorite's Pizza in Lewiston for donating ALL the pizza!*), and a day full of outdoor activities and events (made possible by the generation donation from the PTSA).
- Just a reminder that grade reports will NOT be sent home. Each parent letter up to this point has contained information reminding parents that they will now need to access grades and report cards from the Parent Portal. Grades can be accessed in real time and anyone that needs assistance setting up an account is encouraged to contact the guidance office. If there is any parent that would like a printed report card, they just need to contact the guidance office and we will send them one.
- Final grades have been posted and we have communicated with families of those who are being recommended for Summer learning Camp or Summer School this year. The focus of the Summer camp will be to help mitigate learning gaps that may have formed or widened as a result of the pandemic. The focus is primarily ELA and Math.
- Due to some outstanding work by Mrs. Stack and Ms. Wright, our counselors who personally reached out to parents/guardians, we have 36 students that signed up for the Summer learning camp and are participating. We also have 17 students who have been recommended for summer school and are attending to work on gaining course credit in the subjects that they did not pass. We worked closely with the parents well before final exams to make sure they were not "surprised" by the final results.
- Mr. Penale and Mrs. Golden have come up with some innovative activities to assist our students in mitigating the gaps using some really cool stuff. The camp is being offered **Monday-Thursday from 9AM-12PM starting on July 6th through July 22nd**. Transportation is available if required by families and the focus is on supporting strategic learning in the areas of reading, writing and math.
- Prior to school ending, we pushed into NEST groups to recruit students for participation in the 8th Grade Innovation Experience. Letters with an application process were given out to students and we are currently working through the next steps in the process for those students who are interested in participating. We are looking at some scheduling options to keep this valuable experience moving forward in a proactive way.

## Future Events

- We made some minor changes to the Master schedule in regards to the number of sections at each grade level and it is coming along nicely. Alan is working with Beverly prior to her leaving due to retirement on July 30, to get as much student info into the system as possible so that we can begin to run loads.
    - Global Language will continue to be offered every day in 7th and 8th grades. Students are scheduled based upon the choice of language that they made via a google form in April/May.
  - We have a few personnel changes for the upcoming year:
    - Jennifer Kensinger has transferred from the IEC to fill the 6th grade ELA position.
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- We will be interviewing for the following:
    - 1 Teacher Aide
    - 1 Lunchroom Monitor
    - Main office Secretary
    - Guidance office Secretary
  - Our new group of WEB 8th grade leaders will be coming in for training on August 25 from 8am - 2pm. We will then have our 6th Orientation on August 26 for the incoming 6th grade students
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- *August 25 - WEB Leader training*
  - *August 26 - 6th grade student Orientation*
  - *August 31 - First Day for Teachers*
  - *September 7 - First Day of School*

Please let me know if you have any questions, thoughts, or concerns. Andy

**“Virtually nothing is impossible in this world if you just put your mind to it and maintain a positive attitude”.**  
**Lou Holtz**

## **Brad Rowles - Board Report - Written Report - July 26, 2021**

### ***Activities that have or will be occurring at the High School:***

- Summer School and Summer Camp, which began on Tuesday, July 6th, continues to operate Monday-Thursday at the High School until Thursday, August 12th.
- Our International Student Science Fair (ISSF) team competed in the ISSF 2021 held virtually from Beijing, China From Friday, July 16th to Monday, July 19th.
- Our building's custodial staff continues to perform summer cleaning throughout the building, as we prepare for the start of the 2021-2022 school year in September.

### **A few items to report to the Board of Education and Superintendent**

#### ***Principal's Activities:***

- Mr. Casseri and I attended the Niagara Academy Graduation on Tuesday, June 22nd. Lew-Port has numerous students who successfully completed this program and received their diploma.
- On Thursday, June 24th, we successfully administered our final Regents Examination of the 2020-2021 school year.
- I had the honor and privilege of attending the 70th commencement ceremony of the Lewiston-Porter High School. The ceremony, although slowed by rain showers, was a huge success. The Class of 2021 continued to demonstrate its ability to adapt to any situation and find joy in each other's companionship.
- I continue to finalize the master schedule for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Mr. Casseri and I participated in numerous Zoom meetings with the International Science School Network's ISSF 2021 competition held in Beijing, China during the course of the 4 day event.
- Our ISSF team medaled in numerous events.
  - Our team won the following awards:
    - Excellence in research award for environmental chemistry for their presentation.
    - Ethan Alker won first place for Virtual Robot Competition.
    - Joshua Long and Rajan Singh placed 3rd for Virtual Aviation Emergency Rescue.
  - Lew-Port ISSF participating students were:
    - Ethan Alker
    - Joshua Long
    - Lauren Lunshoff
    - Nicole Peunic
    - Julia Thomas
- During the course of the closing ceremony, Lew-Port presented it's welcoming video for the ISSF 2022 competition being held on our campus May 29th-June 4th 2022.
  - Video link: <https://vimeo.com/569498267>
- On Monday, July 19th and Tuesday, July 20th, I participated in our annual administrative summer retreat with other district wide administrators.
- On Wednesday, July 21st, Thursday, July 22nd, and Friday, July 23rd, I participated in our Restorative Justice Practices training with Lori Decarlo and other Restorative Justice building and district wide team members.

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

As we excitedly prepare for the start of the 2021-2022 school year, much is left to be done. As I mentioned in my Principal's Activities, we are close to finalizing the master schedule for the high school, continue with the implementation of the Lancer Learning Center, interview for a long-term substitute positions in both Special Education and Science, and continue to plan with our district's administrative team. During the annual administrative retreat, Mr. Casseri spoke about our district's commitment to our new mission statement, **One**

***Purpose, Your Pathway, Our Promise.*** Throughout the retreat, my colleagues and I brought many aspects of our work and how it relates to this mission statement. To close out the first day of the retreat, each of us wrote a mission statement for our work within Restorative Practices. Many of us weaved the tenants of Restorative Practices into our district's mission statement and the need to address the **whole child** with our planning and implementation of new programs for the coming school year. As a school leader, I am energized by these conversations and can't wait to have a positive impact on the Lew-Port family.

Thank you,

Brad Rowles

Go Lancers!!!