

**Ted Lenart Regional Gifted Center**  
**Local School Council**  
**Principal's Report – February 2015**  
**Meeting: March 5, 2015 6:30 p.m**

**Mission:** The mission of Lenart School is to provide an engaging, differentiated, and holistic educational environment for all students. Our mission includes preparing students for rigorous, collaborative, innovative instruction to enhance global skills and best practices. Teachers are committed to building character, developing the unique giftedness of each child, and to partner with all stakeholders to produce nurturing diverse life-long learners.

**School Leadership**

- Meet weekly with teachers during Grade Level Cluster Meetings to work towards school goals. (Meeting Agendas and notes available in binders in office)
- Held individual data conferences with teachers to discuss current NWEA data and set goals for Spring administration
- Meet weekly with Behavioral Health Team (BHT) to decide on students for Tier 2 and 3 supports.
- School selected as part of Cohort 2 with Computer Science for All Initiative. Teachers who applied will (K, 4-8) will receive professional development and resources to teacher Computer Science to students through coding activities.
- Attended PARCC PD for principals
- Developed schoolwide schedule and security plan for PARCC implementation
- Hosted February Principal's Chat with focus on current school data and latest information regarding PARCC (unfortunately due to weather, only 2 parents attended)

**Instructional Leadership**

- Observed instruction and provided face-to-face and written feedback to teachers
- Attended CPS Gifted Department's Principal's meeting and participated in leadership panel
- Teacher leaders attended CCSS professional development for ELA and Math. Teacher leaders will "Teachback" or provide PD for entire staff. Math planned for March 5, 2015
- Presented staff with information regarding PARCC implementation
- Attended Yoga4Classrooms training with 5 staff members in preparation for schoolwide training and implementation

### **Student-Centered Learning Climate**

- Chess Team participated in 2 matches. 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade team earned two 1<sup>st</sup> place awards, several student individual awards
- Chemistry club to participate in You Be the Chemist competition on March 7, 2015
- Student of the Month program to recognize students exhibiting highlighted traits each month. Counselor to meet weekly with classes to provide support and instruction regarding specific traits
- All school performance in celebration of Black History Month
- Girl's Pom Pon team to advance to City Finals – March 7, 2015
- Lenart Basketball Team season is well under way. We are still hoping for a win by the end of the season.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade sponsored School Talent Show
- Additional student groups started (Anger Coping)
- PBIS team re-introduced LION values highlighting and celebrating One Value a week.
- Attended University of Chicago's FEMMES Coding Camp for girls (10, 4-6<sup>th</sup> graders attended)

### **Professional Development and Human Resources Management**

- Attended SUPES Academy principal development sessions regarding effective leadership practices (January)
- Participation in Half-Day principal CCSS Quarter 3 Institute (February 24, 2015)
- Attended Network 11 Principal's Professional Development (February and March)
- Attended Behavioral Health Team professional development
- Attended Chicago Principal's and Administrator's Academy

### **Parent Involvement and Community Partnership**

- Student assembly on Dental Health provided by two parents, Dr. Viniak and Dr. Ewing.
- Weekly email update to parents provided every Friday, information also posted on school website
- Parent volunteers to run LIONS store and provide donations.
- Parent helped decorate the Lenart Peace Room
- Weekly Zumba classes on Thursdays. Proceeds to benefit Lenart gym. So far,

### **School Management and Daily Operations**

- Supervised custodial staff to ensure school was clean and ready for students and teachers each day
- Meet regularly with school engineer (shared with Westcott School)
- Completes reports and required emails to Central Office in a timely manner
- Weekly parent emails sent on Fridays, information also posted on school website
- Completed technology compliance audit
- Weekly staff updates provided on Sundays
- Copy of all flyers and communication available in Binder in office

Submitted on, March 5, 2015