

**Lyons Township High School  
Community Advisory Committee  
Consensus of Table Discussions to Board Questions  
October 21, 2009**

The Lyons Township Community Advisory Committee has discussed the following questions and respectfully recommends that the Board of Education consider the following comments.

**1) How can we improve the achievement of students who struggle academically/behaviorally?**

While no specific consensus was reached, two common themes emerged. The first suggested greater faculty involvement with increased recognition and encouragement of students. The second suggested better and easier access by teachers and students as to what types of help is available and how level moves can be easily made.

**2) To further the goals of PLC's, should we continue with the late start/early dismissal schedule or find other ways to create time in the school day for teachers to meet in their PLC groups? Please suggest any suggestions you may have.**

Consensus was a firm yes as to continuing the late start. Comments were all about the late start and not the early dismissal since the primary area of concern was the problems with morning bus transportation. Most members wanted the early bus arrival either corrected so buses would not get students to school so early; or, if that could not be immediately corrected, add interesting activities for students prior to the 8:45 start.

**3) What ideas do you have to assist LT in promoting appropriate behaviors that are consistent with our 1<sup>st</sup> Class Principles?**

The main suggestions were as follows, but not in an order of importance:

- a. Collaborate with LT's feeder schools by sending ambassadors to these schools, or by adding more about this to events like Future Freshman Night.
- b. A "Teen University" or club like the Parent University with speakers.
- c. Continue promotion of Parent University.
- d. Continue encouragement of the Speak Up Line and perhaps consider adding texting.
- e. Keep track of usage of the Speak Up Line to see what the data shows about usage over a period of time.
- f. Continue to provide parents with information about what LT is doing with respect to the bullying issue.