Standard and Poors Evaluation Services

Lyons Central School District is one of 44 (out of 638) K-12 school districts statewide to significantly narrow the achievement gap between economically disadvantaged and non economically disadvantaged students.

Only 6.9% of New York State Schools received this distinction.

Standard and Poors School Evaluation Services

To be recognized, school districts must:

- •Serve all grades K-12:
- •Reduce the achievement gap in overall reading and math proficiency (RaMP) rates between at least one set of student subgroups by more than 5 percentage points over the 2002-03 and 2003-04 school years; and
- •Simultaneously raise the RaMP rates of both the subgroups being compared.



Lyons Central School District

Lyons Central School District, including its entire staff and community, is dedicated to the education of the total student. Together, we are committed to the development of the students' academic, emotional, social, and physical well being. Our educational system supports the individual student as a whole person and



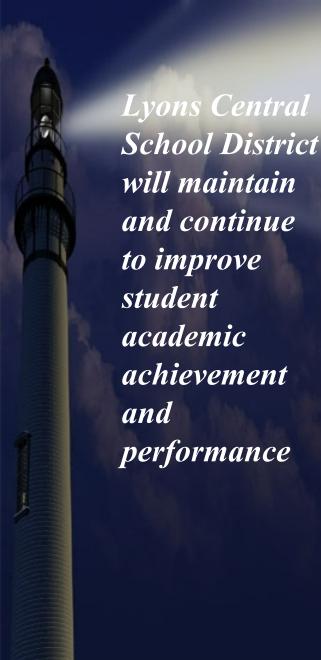
Lyons Central School District will maintain and continue to improve student academic achievement and performance.

Lyons Central School District will maintain and promote a safe and welcoming school environment.

Lyons Central School District will enhance and improve effective communication and public relations to the benefit of all students, staff, parents and community at large.

The Lyons Central School District will support and contribute to the personal development of all students, staff, parents and community at large.

The Lyons Central School District will maximize all resources including financial and personnel.



Elementary School staff

Commissioner's Award higher performing gap closing schools for 2004-2005

- •90% passing the 4th grade math test
- •95% passing the 4th grade Social Studies test.
- •85% passing the Science test

Middle School staff

ELA - 45% passing in 2005, a 16% increase in the past 3 years

Math - 59% passing in 2005, a 31 % increase in the past three years

Social Studies - 69% passing in 2005, an 11% increase in the past three years

Science – 86 % passing in 2005, a 2% increase in the past three years



High School Staff

95% passing on all Regents exams

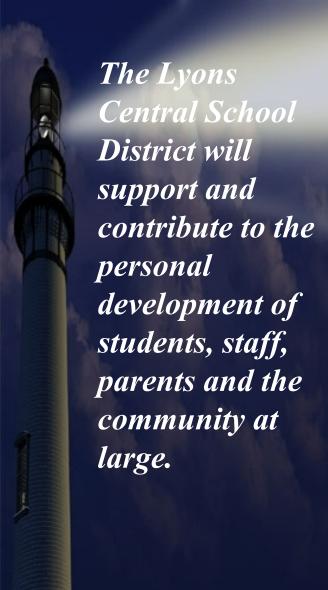
91% passing rate for AIS students

Reduced in the past four years the number of students failing one or more courses by 38%



Special Education (K-12)

- •Academic Achievement
- •Least Restrictive Environment
- Declassification
- Exit Outcomes



Elementary School

- Second Step
- •Even Start Program
- •Big Sister/Big Brother

Middle School

- •MS Destination Success
- •"What I Like about You"
 Team Building, MS Lock In
- •Middle School Careers Competition

High School

- •Provide a new class for Junior Seniors, with a focus on Leadership Skills
- Benchmark and Portfolio Presentations
- •SAT preparation class

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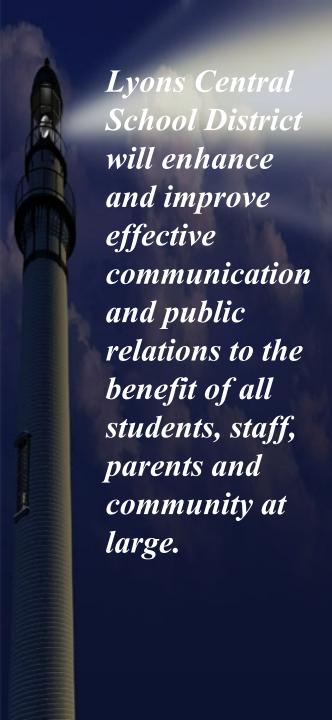
Safe and Welcoming

Safe

- Increased Surveillance equipment
- School Resource Officer
- •Increased Grounds Illumination
- After school programming
- Audio Entrance Systems
- •Visitor Monitoring Structures

Welcoming

- •Parent University/Café
- Teacher Websites
- Quarterly award ceremonies
- **•**Homeroom Parents
- Positive Post Card System
- •Administrative Open Door Policy









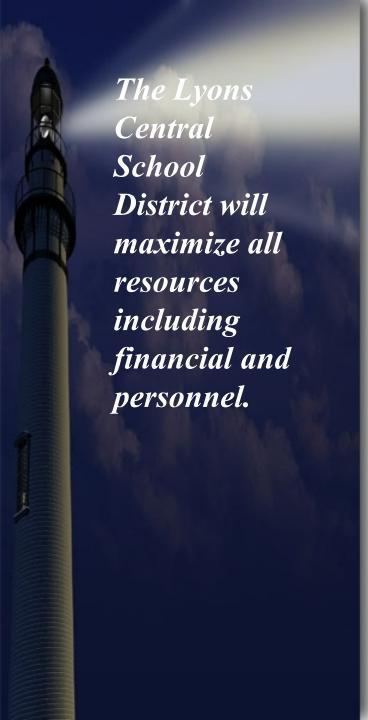
Financial Resources

Revenue

- •Seek and increase alternative sources of revenue
- •Ensure State Aid is maximized
- Stabilize tax rate increases

Expenditures

- •Consistently review bids and contracts to control expenses
- •Share personnel with other districts and partnerships
- Control spending to parallel cost of living
- •Forecast district budget outlook for threefive years.



Financial Resources

Personnel Resources

- •Forecast staffing outlook for three-five years
- •Recruit, hire and retain highly qualified staff in all areas
- •Ensure staff development is directly related to individual improvement and district goals