



**Oxford SAC Meeting**  
**Oct 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm**  
**Via Zoom**

## **Agenda for the Meeting:**

### **Welcome & Check In & Call to Order**

How are you? What's on your mind as you come to this meeting?

### **Student Success Plan**

**Literacy Goal:** To improve student achievement in reading comprehension with a focus on critical response to text

**Math Goal:** To improve student achievement in Mathematical problem solving

**Well Being Goal:** We will improve student well-being at our school.

### **School Life – Updates on Back to School Plan**

- What's happening at Oxford?
  - Mask wearing – Small improvements – Work in progress daily reminders and celebrating those who are on it.
  - Video Announcements – Each class taking on a few weeks, they are going super well, we are playing the honour song, black national anthem and oh Canada in a rotation (Very well received by the parent community) – We are doing this to represent all marginalized peoples. Suggestion of including facts once a week or more of information/fact on treaty 1792. Discussed the video project and reaching out to Elwin via Shawn Grouse. The goal to reach out to young adults in university from our BIPOC community to talk about their struggles, over came them and succeeded. Shared the things we are doing for Mi'kmaq Heritage month. (Reach out to Lindell about CACE – Council of African Canadian Education)
  - Communication with families ie: concerns of increased video game playing and students using phones to access social media during learning time. (Discussion with teachers about cell phone use and modeling for our students. Connect with high schools about managing it. Discussed the issues with cell phones and support from SAC to reinforce keeping them in backpacks. Building on days to drop the phone off in the office if it continues.
  - School photos – Adams Photography (Huge success!)
  - Outdoor classrooms in the works for the spring – still in discussion especially around the funding (one in the elementary yard, one in the garden space)
  - French Immersion monitors – Great addition to our FI team. Great supports but where are supports like this in the English classes? EPA's are wonderful support however some

are intimidated with doing academic support. Gap in Jr high from elementary schools and needs to be addressed.

- Anti Racism Education PD – Anti-Racism teacher book club (Recommended books - White Fragility, How to be an Ally) Rene shared value of having an African NS member speak about lived experiences to help understand context from the book. (Otis, Kate, Nancy, Rhea as options, if not connect with Rene).
- Remembrance Day & Holiday concert? Pre-Recorded? How do we represent? Video ceremony? Can't Sing – **Virtual option – by classes, inviting classes to participate. Engaged jr high students on holiday concert ideas.** Possibly greetings in a video or powerpoint sent to families. Elementary students doing a holiday dance, or play instruments to holiday songs, hum (guess this Christmas jingle), art ideas for decorating masks

### SAC Spending

- SAC grant was renewed for the coming year. \$5000 + \$1 per student (477 Students PP-9)
- PTA is hoping to engage discussion about spending the money in conjunction with them purchasing portable air filters for each classroom (20 x \$300) Discussed that the spending policy does not allow for this type of purchasing. SAC feel the teachers should have more say in what to spend on items that may be needed especially if we are online in the winter. The money should support items past one year – more sustainable. Is there a program that will support literacy programming – especially to help with online learning? Ask staff to come up with a few ideas of things they want and a rationale to how it will student learning for SAC to understand.

### Round Table – Your Input

- Next meeting Dec 8<sup>th</sup> @7pm – info from teachers on spending.

#### Did You Know?

- The EECD has a website for SACs, <http://www.ednet.ns.ca/SAC>
- All communications to SAC Chairs and documents to support SACs can be found at [www.hrce.ca](http://www.hrce.ca) - look for the purple button on the left hand side of the main page.

### Check Out

One thing you hope to talk about at the next meeting | An item or discussion that was of particular interest at the meeting | One thing you learned or are thinking about as you leave the meeting | action plan