Superintendent’s Report
October 13, 2022

I have seen that in any great undertaking it is not enough for a man to depend
simply upon himself.
Quote by Lone Man (Isna-La-Wica), Teton Sioux

In acknowledgement of Indigenous Peoples’ Day, I chose a quote from a member of the Teton
Sioux tribe. This quote speaks to the importance of working together for a common purpose rather
than in silos on our own. As we pass the mid-fall mark we think about the patience, resilience, and
tenacity of our staff. Every school and department have stepped up around our focus this year to
align the foci, resources, and supports in order to build a cohesive practice of building our toolkit
for supporting Els and SWD. Together we build community and reach our goals.

I would like to provide an update on the MSBA Pickering Project. The Designer Selection Panel
Proposal Review was held on September 13, 2022. After review and discussion by members of the
Designer Selection Panel they voted 11-1 in favor of Raymond Design Associates (RDA). At the
School Building Committee meeting yesterday, October 12th Raymond Design Associates
presented a plan and timeline for the next steps in the process. We will be planning a kickoff
meeting in the next couple of weeks for the administration in preparation to begin the development
of the educational plan and the start of Visioning Workshops in order to get the project team,
administrators, staff, and community member’s input. These meetings will be held virtually via
Zoom in the evenings over a series of Wednesdays in November. More details will be forthcoming
on these meetings.

Finally, there is much to celebrate within the LPS community.

- This month we began our alignment work with school-based administrators and teacher
  leaders through professional learning with Lynch Leadership Micro Academy, district PLC
  sessions, and soon will begin our book talk using the book And Justice for Els with author
  Ayanna Cooper. This work together is building our capacity as educators and aligning our
  work from the district level to school level and into our classrooms. We have received
  much positive feedback on this work and look forward to continuing this work together.

- We are proud to announce that we had six of our educators acknowledged for the great
  work they are doing in Lynn and in their educational work.
  - Miriam Rodriguez-Fusco and Kendwy Valdez were recognized at the State House
    and awarded the 2022 Exceptional Latino Educator Award.
  - Dr. Christina Colella who is being acknowledge at the Boys and Girls Club Gala at
    Danversport Country Club. She will be receiving the Commitment to Youth Award.
Rania Caldwell, Amanda Campbell, and Jaqui Gallo have been chosen out of thousands of presentation proposal entries to present Lynn’s Prek-2 Interdisciplinary Units at the National Association of Bilingual Education (NABE) annual conference in February in Portland, Oregon.

- On Monday, October 17, 2022, beginning at 10:00 AM there is a special event being held at NSCC. The Spotlight on Early College: A Special Event to Celebrate Growth and Innovation in the Commonwealth is an opportunity for all of us to hear the features and impact of the Early College program for our students and families and the commitment to this work as a community. I hope you will be able to join us in this special event.

¡Juntos Logramos!
Respectfully submitted,
Deb Ruggiero