**LifeSmarts Coordinator Call Minutes – April 1, 2020**

**Coordinators Present: Mary Hillmann, Jared Capers (TX), Tammie McCarthy (WI), Crystal Kraft (ND), Kim Edmonds (VA), Amanda Larkins (LA), Gloryana Akapo (HI), Brittani Lee (GA), Kyla (SC), Geralyn Sachs (FL),**

**LifeSmarts Staff Present:**Lisa Hertzberg and Cheryl Varnadoe

1. Welcome
2. Thanks so much for all of your patience
3. Agenda
4. We want to give you a chance to tell us how you’re feeling – and thank you so much for joining us today and thanks to those who completed the survey and staying in touch
5. Amanda: Were planning to have six teams compete on March 13, but it was the day that the Governor canceled school; teams have gone to online school, but now feeling adrift in holding an online competition to replace the in-person state competition
6. We want to move forward in a fair way to all students and coaches
7. We are in this together
8. We feel so terrible about this situation and we certainly empathize with you all as you figure out next steps for your state and stakeholders
9. Updates: We don’t have a lot of information, but we want to share what we do have.   Coaches and team members expressed loud and clear that they want students to compete in person.
10. #1 – your state winning team is invited to attend this event when it is held
11. The plan is for this to be next April (April 17-20, 2021)
12. We will be flexible with team size
13. Graduating seniors are welcome back on 2020 teams
14. We will run TWO simultaneous championships
15. Barriers?
16. Positives and Ideas?
17. We plan to do an announcement in early May of the location and dates for 2021 AND 2022. Gives us all something to look forward to

1. Other Updates
2. Travel stipends not being given out right now of course
3. Teams were told to cancel hotel rooms
4. Work with airlines to receive vouchers for future travel or refunds. Update about airline refunds sent end of last week.
5. Reminders
6. Send state team photos – we want to recognize our state champions; still missing several teams. We had 42 teams who qualified this year.  Individual photos of team members can be sent for use in a collage. Even a zoom meeting collage can be used!   See Facebook and Instagram for ideas.
7. Have coach fill out the registration form
8. We want to know who the seniors are (emails and send cords).  We want to invite them to become active alumni
9. A couple of coaches wanted us to set up pen pals with their sister team but we don’t assign sister teams until all teams register so we can pair up teams. If we can get everyone to finally register, we could look at doing this but until then, we can’t.
10. We will do press releases for state champion teams to recognize them in late April (during the timeframe they would be competing)
11. ITRC privacy scholarship – planning a webinar to help your students be able to apply. Deadline extended –
12. UL scholarships are postponed; we will announce updates as we have them.
13. Just to be sure you know, we suspended all the competitions including the pre-competitions.

f.    New Offerings and relaunches – **PLEASE SHARE**:

1. New Weekly Quiz - LifeSmarts is pivoting to offer more online resources to students who are learning from home right now. A new Weekly Quiz will go live each week. Students will find the new quizzes when they log in, go to their player dashboard, click "competitions," and go to the TeamSmarts section. The quiz uses the TeamSmarts platform, but this is open to all students so they can quiz independently. Coaches can track student scores in the coach dashboard. The Weekly Quiz for the week of March 30 features 75 questions across all LifeSmarts topics. Next week the quiz will focus on personal finance.
2. LifeSmarts Adventure app - We are excited to re-introduce the LifeSmarts Adventure app! [LifeSmarts Adventure](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nclnet.org%2Fr%3Fu%3DKKR1TdrUiyQR5Bfc3TfNx5pE1Kz9RadaphaerFcyzhtIHgrcs6hOFoFzFEC8UrSY%26e%3D5c293ccf92ba54b3bf398958ece621d0%26utm_source%3Dncl%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dteachsmarts_march_31%26n%3D5&data=02%7C01%7Ccherylv%40nclnet.org%7C121444d9fcaf4ed78de208d7d5800811%7C4e1d2f3fec00459892401b9071ab6582%7C1%7C0%7C637212618173181179&sdata=kpHNJ7sw7iD7zfU2L9zBmLpSaweM6K4xw2qtDDHSxq4%3D&reserved=0) provides a fun, interactive way for students to quiz themselves and compete—all on the go on a virtual “roadtrip.” LifeSmarts Adventure is a web-based app that is best rendered on a mobile device using a browser with an Internet connection, but the app may also be viewed using a computer at [lifesmartsadventure.org](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nclnet.org%2Fr%3Fu%3DKKR1TdrUiyQR5Bfc3TfNx5pE1Kz9RadaphaerFcyzhtIHgrcs6hOFoFzFEC8UrSY%26e%3D5c293ccf92ba54b3bf398958ece621d0%26utm_source%3Dncl%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dteachsmarts_march_31%26n%3D6&data=02%7C01%7Ccherylv%40nclnet.org%7C121444d9fcaf4ed78de208d7d5800811%7C4e1d2f3fec00459892401b9071ab6582%7C1%7C0%7C637212618173181179&sdata=UDuALhhAzc%2BFG3mA6JnKQFjiPa2f4gIVCdn3%2BO1newM%3D&reserved=0). Check it out! To play, students answer a series of LifeSmarts curriculum questions at each stop along the “drive.” All users earn virtual completion badges. New episodes will be released soon, so keep an eye out for more info on that.
3. LifeSmarts U -  In our virtual classroom, [**LifeSmarts U**](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nclnet.org%2Fr%3Fu%3DExWY6HjG_fKOqpTtJ0P_asazPG-4VpVJNvq-HE_imBJ__sl8GFtOktdtLbQA7o9r%26e%3D5c293ccf92ba54b3bf398958ece621d0%26utm_source%3Dncl%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dteachsmarts_mar_24%26n%3D6&data=02%7C01%7Ccherylv%40nclnet.org%7Cd67329c8300b46569f6308d7d000024c%7C4e1d2f3fec00459892401b9071ab6582%7C1%7C0%7C637206570774526422&sdata=EruQAYXPSYVFhH%2FcreO6wFzQlXgp5ObFNGZU%2BnNGon4%3D&reserved=0), we offer lessons with pre- and post-tests, interactive games, PowerPoint presentations, worksheets, discussion questions, and more.

-Revisions in progress

-Any suggestions for new lessons to add?

-Anyone have a lesson they would like to contribute for us to convert into LifeSmarts U?  \*Note: these do not have to be in the same format; a good PowerPoint or written lesson plan – anything you have created or have permission to share is welcome

1. The [LifeSmarts Daily Quiz](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nclnet.org%2Fr%3Fu%3DKZcKWvJae7GB_0yOB0QncBL7rdSsnxjRuXVTl3ZDuIyKR-hloRub8-a0GqXzBnm1%26e%3D5c293ccf92ba54b3bf398958ece621d0%26utm_source%3Dncl%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dteachsmarts_mar_24%26n%3D7&data=02%7C01%7Ccherylv%40nclnet.org%7Cd67329c8300b46569f6308d7d000024c%7C4e1d2f3fec00459892401b9071ab6582%7C1%7C0%7C637206570774526422&sdata=OE%2BPL6PR9pb3TcOzvY6rF8cj%2BSsoxgZGP%2FtANA4CNlI%3D&reserved=0) is a fun way to keep your students engaged. Students can reload the quiz and get different questions each time.
2. More online resources

Reviews to try on the Kahoot website/app (we will share in the Minutes)

Search for [LifeSmarts](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nclnet.org%2Fr%3Fu%3DTKn3ou9ClOo6iLn8PQSzXYPOOx5SFBGKFe2PbBrSWeD9DoPe7eF7uqbQ4MQsrk1F%26e%3D5c293ccf92ba54b3bf398958ece621d0%26utm_source%3Dncl%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dteachsmarts_march_31%26n%3D10&data=02%7C01%7Ccherylv%40nclnet.org%7C121444d9fcaf4ed78de208d7d5800811%7C4e1d2f3fec00459892401b9071ab6582%7C1%7C0%7C637212618173201166&sdata=0cEyFwjj2QdvqCaiFZwEhqai%2BlLAf2DFgfC%2BK%2FZ7ems%3D&reserved=0) to find more Kahoots!

 LifeSmarts Quizlets also available:

- Search for [LifeSmarts](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.nclnet.org%2Fr%3Fu%3DDF3S8vJb9poaE0vO7fHEjLHoL2O5eXC8qhDo0jEDN7ng1Dhu9CtAflTAQgDeBacX%26e%3D5c293ccf92ba54b3bf398958ece621d0%26utm_source%3Dncl%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dteachsmarts_march_31%26n%3D14&data=02%7C01%7Ccherylv%40nclnet.org%7C121444d9fcaf4ed78de208d7d5800811%7C4e1d2f3fec00459892401b9071ab6582%7C1%7C0%7C637212618173221156&sdata=o5eNret7UjdwxnpHC6W2vQLv9QkriNr1dE6sG6oP1N8%3D&reserved=0) to find more Quizlets!

What educational apps are your coaches using with their  students? Please share with us any Kahoots, Quizlets, Quizizzs, Sporcles, etc. that you have used or developed! Send a note to: [cherylv@nclnet.org](mailto:cherylv@nclnet.org).

g.   FCCLA and FBLA are on hold for NLC’s this summer for now.  We may have to rethink how we do these championships

h.   We need your help!

1. Write questions for LifeSmarts – multiple choice and open ended. 25 would be a huge help! Who can help? I can send you the template after the call!  Due July 31, 2020
2. Update *write new question flyer* to send to coordinators and coaches and sponsors
3. Any potential state coordinators / contacts we should be reaching out to right now?
4. THANK YOU for all you do! Next Call – May 6, 2020.  Same dial in information: **1-712-770-5505; Access code: 526017#**