

Notes from the Director

LifeSmarts Advisory Board Update, December 8, 2022

Dear Alum,

I hope that 2022 is wrapping up nicely for you, and that you have some fun family time, holidays, or travel yet to come! LifeSmarts has been busy this fall, and growth has been the word of the day. We invite you to take a look at our new LifeSmarts.org website and see if you can still ace the Daily Quiz.

Program Updates

- The LifeSmarts team is busy reviewing the Norton Wild Card applications to select 10 winning teams. Applicants came from across the country, from Title 1 schools in big cities and small towns, and from other organizations such as alternative schools and 4-H programs. The 10 teams selected will receive travel expenses to help cover all costs to attend the National LifeSmarts Championship next April 2023.
- In November, LifeSmarts staff attended the FCCLA Fall Conference to conduct a live Knowledge Bowl event for 28 teams. The FBLA online Fall Challenge ended in mid-November with 11 teams advancing to compete in-person next summer at the FBLA National Leadership Conference.



- 3. The newest LifeSmarts U lesson, entitled <u>Laundry 101</u>, has launched. It is receiving accolades from Family and Consumer Sciences organizations and lesson sites. Check it out!
- 4. The National LifeSmarts Championship will be held April 28-30, 2023, and we hope you're planning to join us. Please refer to the <u>volunteer save-the-date</u> for further information.

Best regards,

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