



# LifeSmarts

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## Notes from the Director

**LifeSmarts Alumni Update, August 8, 2023**

Dear LifeSmarts Alums,

The past month has been full of excitement as we plan for the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of LifeSmarts! We are taking a deep dive into our archives, and thanks to our records, and many of you all mentioning LifeSmarts in your LinkedIn profiles, we are being reacquainted with a number of old friends and alumni.

We want to hear from you directly to help us answer the questions, “Where are they now?” and, “How did LifeSmarts help you?” If we haven’t reached out to you and you’d like to share your LifeSmarts journey – please email our Alumni Association Manager, Elena Robertson, directly at [elenar@nclnet.org](mailto:elenar@nclnet.org).

### Program Updates

In the last month we:

1. Soft-launched the LifeSmarts.org web site for the new program year! We’re excited to officially kick off the competition year September 1 (our earliest start date ever).
2. Wrote hundreds and hundreds of new LifeSmarts questions to quiz competitors. (Want to help review them? Let us know!)
3. Prepped new content, refreshed activities and resources, and added functionality to the site.
4. Held our first Coordinator Call of the year with the amazing state coordinators we partner with across the country.



*1996 Minnesota State Champs from Blackduck, MN. Also pictured: State Coordinator Lisa Hertzberg with the Minnesota Attorney General's Office*

We hope your summer is going well, and we look forward to sharing the stories of our many Alumni with you over the next eight months.

Best regards,

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