

**Lyons Township High School
Community Advisory Committee
Consensus of Table Discussions to Board Questions
February 19, 2009**

The Lyons Township Community Advisory Committee has discussed the following questions and respectfully recommends that the Board of Education consider the following comments.

1. What changes in Drivers Ed do you support?

Program changes which removed simulators and increased range time were well-received. Members appreciated the benefits of increased “behind-the-wheel” time.

2. Is there anything else LTHS should be doing to prepare students for major tests?

Offering the ACT prep class during Junior year study hall, after school and in the evenings was well-received, but with the following comments:

- a) Will the study hall classes become overcrowded since they are free while the after school and evening classes are charged \$75?
- b) If a student is enrolled in a study hall to complete homework (perhaps because of an extracurricular activity) are those students allowed to opt out of ACT prep and take an evening session instead?
- c) Should individual students who tested low in certain categories have this explained to them by a teacher and/or a counselor?
- d) Expose all Juniors to ACT writing techniques.

3. If we have a Humanities Program for freshman, should we have a similar program for sophomores?

The majority strongly recommended that the Humanities Program continue beyond freshman year. Some suggested a Science/Math component for sophomore year in place of, perhaps, World History. Many members thought that a continuing support system should be in place all four years, especially Junior year when American History is required. The change from the Transition to the Humanities Program was well-received and the obvious enthusiasm of the teachers was noted and appreciated.