



**Mission Statement:**

The mission of the Centennial Legislative Action Committee (LAC) is to actively advocate for legislation that supports quality education from K-12 in Minnesota public schools with a focus on issues specific to the Centennial School District. In addition, the LAC will inform our community of legislative activities that pertain to public education.

**Goals:**

1. Formulate positions on legislative issues that affect K-12 public education with a focus on issues that impact the Centennial School District.
2. Maintain a presence at the capitol, working to establish long term relationships with Centennial's legislators and encouraging them to promote favorable legislation for education.
3. Educate our legislators regarding the impact of state and federal legislation (past and future) and its effects on Centennial schools.
4. Educate the community regarding the positive and negative aspects of state and federal legislation (past and future), and monitor its affect on Centennial schools.
5. Work with other Centennial groups to strengthen advocacy efforts at the state and federal level.
6. Network with other statewide groups advocating for public schools.
7. Monitor and oppose all attempts to diminish support from the public education system.

**Short-term Goals:**

1. Strongly advocate for the LAC's 2011 Platform.
2. Maintain and improve a communication network with Centennial's legislators.
3. Strengthen the communication delivery system that increases community awareness of issues and provides opportunity for input.
4. Nurture the parent/community network capable of a quick response to Legislators on proposed education or finance legislation.

**Membership:**

The committee will be comprised of representatives from the various District communities. Membership will remain at a range of 12 – 18 members with recruiting done by active members of the LAC to reflect community geographic areas.