

A Student's Perspective.....

My name is Max Williams and I am a former student of Lindsay Place High School. Throughout my years at Lindsay Place, I was exposed to many different branches of science. These are some of the classes that Lindsay Place has to offer.

***Forensic Science** is as close to a CSI course as you can get. We tested fingerprint types, we identified the height of dropped blood based on the splatter radius and we even analyzed different handwriting styles and tried to match them to different suspects. As a final assignment, we analyzed an entire crime scene. As a guest speaker, we had a Montreal area detective come in and speak to us about his everyday job. It was a very interesting experience. During the past few years, during our Open House, students have recorded data on the amount of people with each of the three fingerprint types, and checked to see if these numbers matched the world percentages of each type. They actually did!*

***Chemistry** at Lindsay Place provides a great foundation for Chemistry courses offered in CEGEP. Students are able to apply what they've learned in class to lab situations. Labs are challenging and very carefully supervised which ensure a positive learning environment at Lindsay Place.*

***Robotics** is also another branch that some students have the opportunity to discover at Lindsay Place. Students learn how to build a robot and program different levels of tasks for the robot to accomplish. With specific pieces, students are able to build a complex robot.*

***Physics** is a very hands-on course. It's not simply textbook learning. It's a very interactive course by which concepts are taught and demonstrated. Optics, waves, mechanics and electricity and magnetism are just a few examples of the topics taught.*

***Senior Biology** is for students who wish to enrich their understanding of the human body, and explore marine biology. Dissections happen almost every week. Throughout the course of the year, we dissected a fetal pig, a sheep's heart, a sea urchin, a jellyfish, a sheep's brain and even a shark! Get your scalpel ready, you won't be bored with this course! There is also a lot that this course has to offer outside of the classroom. Students travelled to the St. Lawrence River Institute in Cornwall and learned about the importance of water quality. A humanitarian trip to Costa Rica is also offered to interested students.*

I hope that you will come and see for yourself all of the different things Lindsay place has to offer.

Sincerely,

Max Williams

Note: We wish to thank Max Williams, an honour roll student, valedictorian, and recipient of many awards at his Convocation for taking the time to write this inspiring testimony about learning in the sciences at Lindsay Place High School.

-David Estok, Principal