

Staff Appreciation Week

Staff Appreciation can be as big or little a production as you would like just as long as the idea gets across that WE LOVE OUR STAFF! Some of the following ideas have been used (and abused) by local schools...pick and choose or don't.

Monday - Informal lunch in the lounge. Set up with Deli Sandwiches, Bagel Sandwiches, Baked Potato Bar and Chill, Salads and Desserts, etc. Could be catered or supplied by volunteers.

Tuesday - Sundaes on Tuesday...a "Make Your Own Ice Cream Dream" after school. Vanilla ice cream in cups or scooped and toppings.

Wednesday- Breakfast in a Bag...Sunny Delight, Yogurt, Banana, Power Bar and a muffin or Bagel. When given enough notice, many retailers donate for this or they donate a gift card to use.

Thursday - Student Tribute Day... Flowers from the students to the teachers in arranged in vases (99 cents each from local florists). Each student brings two long stemmed flowers knowing one will go to their teacher, the other will go to a staff member that doesn't have a classroom. Or a contribution by student's like a canvas apron with hand prints on it, a terra cotta pot painted with thumb prints and a plant in it, a book compiled of student poems about their teacher, etc.

Friday - Catered Luncheon in the Library or Cafeteria. Get volunteers to watch the classrooms while the staff dines together. Two cleared volunteers per room is best. Signing up for this at registration is a great idea.

Everyday is Mailbox Surprise Day! These are little treats like a candy bar, pencil and post-it note, lotion, magnets, etc. Each with a little quip keeping with the theme (see next few pages with ideas.)

It is always fun to stick with a theme all week. Use your creativity! Anything can be a theme!