

Community Service

Pirate Pride Day

Out of school to work in the Comm.

IE: yard work, windows, paint

BBQ at the school

Rake and Run

StuCo

After school and on Saturday

Clean Up Around The School (1/2 hour+)

During class once a week

Prizes for most trash

Adopt a family at Christmas

Raise money, buy gifts, etc.

No one knows who it is.

Thanksgiving meal for senior citizens

Lunch time

Vet Stories

“Senior” Prom

Canned Food

Clothing

Habitat

Diversity

Multi cultural show

International day

Successful cultural speakers

Kids present info on culture

Church involvement

Challenge day

Guest speakers

Advisory groups

Fundraising:

Christmas light-up boxes (glass blocks from Home Depot with candle inside)
Coin Wars
Homecoming
Powder Puff/Peach Fuzz
SNL
Dodgeball, volleyball tournaments
Mr/Miss (your school here)
Corporate sponsors
Carnival
Jersey Auction (team jerseys at the end of their usable life)
Lock-In
Magazines
Gift cards

Spirit/Assembly Activities & Days

Night Activities

- Dodgeball
- Talent show
- Name that tune
- Deal or No Deal, Biggest Loser, Fear Factor, Are you smarter than a freshman?- Reality T.V. ideas
- Movie Night
- Couch Potato
- Bonfire
- Madden FB tournament
- Arm wrestling
- “Cop Car Stuff”
- Spirit night at sports other than FB and VB

Spirit Days

- Wristband purchase- wear a hat
- ESPN day
- Sticking with the theme of homecoming
- Disaster day
- Red, White, and Blue Day
- Sadie Hawkins Day
- Flotation Device Day
- Disney Heroes and Villains
- History Channel Day
- Stoplight Day(green-no date, yellow-person in mind, red-need a date)

Assemblies

- What not to wear
- Hot dog eating with staff

Spirit Days

- Candy land
- Fake injury day
- Super hero
- Stop light dating day
- Reversal day
- Fashion disaster
- Red carpet Hollywood
- International day
- Bring on the neon
- Decades (70's 80's)
- Twin day
- Bad hair day (oh my what happened to your hair day)

Staff Appreciation

- Breakfast on parent teacher nights
- Dinner on parent teacher nights
- Student Council cleans the classrooms (helps teachers and custodians)
- Thanks "A-Latte"
- Teacher shrine for the armed forces
- Drawing during homecoming week
- Students make a video for the students- talking about why they appreciate teachers
- Thank you notes
- Give "goodies" every day during staff appreciation week- students hand deliver
- Teacher "wish tree" during the holidays
- Senior banquet at the end of the year- give awards to the teachers i.e. (best dressed)
- Kid nap – take them out to lunch
- Students go into classrooms (Unannounced) and give their thanks to the teachers

Themes

- Blast from the past
- Disco fever
- Hollywood
- New York, New York
- Around the world
- Flappers, Fellas, and all that jazz
- Willy Wonkas Chocolate Factory
- Off to Never Land
- The three P's
- Two can dance (can can)
- Evening of paradise
- Mardigras
- monopoly
- candy land
- dreams really do come true (fairy tale)
- when you wish beyond a star
- winter craze
- black and white affair (formal)
- winter fest
- Vegas
- Fire and ice
- Model theme after the principal

Teacher Involvement

FAC MTG

- ~food and other bribes
- ~go to each table with sign-up

Homecoming

- ~Show up to events for prizes
- ~Dinners
- ~Admins. Request teachers do 3 events

Coffee break

- ~X-mas time: cookies on plate and prize (coffee bar)

Students ask teachers

- ~(not during class time)

Messages for staff

- ~Notes (magic notes)

Teacher massages during school day

Travel packages raffled off for participating teachers

Free babysitting for teachers

Holiday shopping—provide babysitting or free gift wrapping

Teachers don't need little gifts as much as they need time—find ways to save them time.

Provide goodie bags for new teachers at start of school year

Goodies or gifts for each department on a rotating schedule.

Gift cards for chaperones.

Donate \$ to a whole department if they agree to chaperone.

Pay chaperones

Ask the PTA or other parent volunteers to get involved.

Advertising

- Sidewalk chalk
 - Stuco email for student body
 - Contact local newspaper
 - PA Mondays (take out agendas for week events)
 - Tongue twister video. (Fridays)
 - WEAR items (broccoli) carrot necklace...
 - Music on PA
 - Dress up to promote theme
 - Commercials in TV in classroom
 - Character trait name tags
 - Clothes line
 - Lots of posters
 - Radio station
 - Screen savers
 - Video announcement
 - Duet tape person for advertising
 - Candy/food
 - Bathroom stalls (street journal)
 - Community channel
 - Window painting
 - Lunch room table tents
 - Yourhub.com (your hub in RMNI Thursdays)
 - Balloon messages inside –put in hall –give free tickets – prices
 - Helium balloons or carrots to ask why wearing it
 - Sandwich boards
 - Car coupons “honor pop”
 - Weekly email- teachers of events
 - Stickers or concession items!
1. balloon advertising
 2. clothes line with clothes to rep. for each

Creating a Leadership Class

- give/create standards and a vision
- find time to actually hold class
- convince admin that you actually need a class
- convince students that you need a class
- buy national curriculum
- communication w/ administration
- point out financially sufficient
- elective or leadership class
- It can take years, keep plugging
- sell the staff, let them sell the administration
- compare/contrast - how would a class have made it better
- initially started it as a volunteered class during planning period
- Booster Club created to financially support teacher doing it on volunteer basis
- making leadership class required for StuCo members
- offering StuCo credit same as elective class
- letting StuCo members lettering – motivation for attending conferences and doing advance work
- Create auxiliary StuCo Club of students interested in helping, but not as officers

Retreat/Bonding

- Rafting Trip
- Picnic
- Rope Course
- Family picnic (StuCo. + Family)
- Ski Weekend
- YMCA trip
- Sleep over
- Cooking class
- Movies
- Treasure hunt
- “Teambuilding” committee
- Guest speakers
- Imperative to include everyone
- Celebrate Birthdays of council kids
- Board Games
- Bowling
- Bingo
- Lock-In
- Video Games
- Dance Dance Revolution
- Secret Pal
- Buckhorn Ranch
- Thanksgiving dinner
- Secret Santa
- Community service
- Kidnapping(of student council members)
- Snow Mtn. Ranch
- Haunted House
- Mentoring

SCHOOL SPIRIT

Include adults

Dress up days

Make it easy

Not a big risk

Tradition

Set examples- what does it look like (fashion show)

Stu co must participate

Advertise/ communicate - Random - fruit/ kitchen

Highlight- celebrate All things (everyday of the week celebrate a different area)

Lunch time activities

Passing out the money for wearing school colors

Pushing theme mascot in all areas- not just sports

Colors and mascot visible early

Every Friday + school colors day

Providing "staff" shirts

"written up" for school spirit- out in drawing

Suggestion box w/ prizes for suggestions

Redeem item for prize if participate

Free ticket - great costume or mr / mrs spirit

Take picture of best spirit and display by main office

Make costless items to pass out w/theme (flowers etc)

Provide little item to give away helps those who can't afford

Use part of floats or halls for decorations for dance

Decorate halls – black and white photo w/autographs to take

Movie night

Random rebel day

Duck tape day with fashion show

Teacher appreciation

- **Cards on Friday- random**
- **Once a month activities: wash windshields, you clearly make a difference**
- **Give staff free shirt when they help out with any activity**
- **Cook breakfast for them. On staff inservice days**
- **Bandana and tea bags 9 last fall)**
- **Great subs with welcome items/bag**
- **Chocolate fountain, birthday banners**
- **Drawings for prizes**
- **Holiday jars with brownie, hot chocolate, Or cake mixes**
- **Banners and/or cards for classified staff**
- **Eek of thank-you: flowers, cards, ex.)**
- **Teach staff silly songs**
- **Banana splits**
- **Hallo-grams**
- **Hair/nails treat-event related**
- **Clean up school grounds**
- **Custodian pizza night (help them with clean up)**
- **Survival kits for homecoming week**
- **Cook lunch for them on inservice days**
- **Gift basket after they help with an event**
- **Teacher massages**
- **Staff welcome at first meeting**
- **“payday” candy bars**
- **Dept. of the month/week**
- **Big hurrah for teachers coming back to school**
- **New teacher recognition**
- **Match teacher with there childhood or prom photo**
- **Teachers wear old work uniforms**
- **Teachers who are alumni of the HS make slide show for during homecoming week**
- **Drawings for prizes/certificates**

Teaching Basic Skills

1. Training lock-in
2. Provide "samples" or practice scripts
3. collect bad examples and discuss
4. Role playing exercises
5. Awareness is key
6. Facilitation/ communication skills (distribution of activities.)
7. Students do presentations
8. mentors
9. "Roberson's rules of order.."
10. Speech: example presentation
11. "Appropriateness:" what is appropriate? When is it appropriate?
12. Audience consideration
13. Jail time when speaking out of turn
14. Have executive council set standards and enforce
15. Sportsmanship (goofy games, etc.)