



Thankful For



On November 20 we held our first Thanksgiving Feast for our Staff and Stingers. But the planning started well before that date. Mrs. Russo brought to our school an idea that she has done in the past. After a meeting with Mr. Brown the idea was put into motion. Mr. Brown reached out to some of his community partners and within a few days he had the entire meal paid for and a team willing to prepare the meal. The only thing needed on our part was for the teachers to provide drinks for their class and other staff members to provide desserts. Lastly we recruited our Media Team to help our Leadership team serve and the plans were set. The morning of the 20th our teams sprang into action with setup and preparation of the feast. By the end of the day we served 2 sessions of lunches totaling over 200 lunches that included;

6 deep fried turkeys, multiple pounds of mashed potatoes/gravy, stuffing, green bean casserole, & dinner rolls.

This day wouldn't have been possible without the help of our community partners, the volunteers from St. Patrick's Church, Leadership and Media team members;

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The Essential 55: Rules for a Lifetime

Ron Clark believes, "No lesson will place pride in the hearts and minds of students. You can, however, teach skills. Skills will lead to confidence, and confidence will lead to pride and self-esteem." We believe his Essential 55 will build kids' self-esteem by giving them skills they can use throughout their lives. Starting when we return from our holiday break, our Media Team will be checking the knowledge of our Staff and Student body to see how well everyone knows and lives The Essential 55. The following is another chance to freshen up on The Essential 55.

- Rule #1 -**When responding to any adult, you must answer by saying "Yes ma'am" or No sir." Just nodding your head or saying any other form of yes or no is not acceptable.
- Rule #2 -** Make eye contact. When someone is speaking, keep your eyes on him or her at all times. If someone makes a comment, turn and face that person.
- Rule #3 -** If someone in the class wins a game or does something well, we will congratulate that person.
- Rule #4 -** During discussions, respect other students comments, opinions, and ideas.
- Rule #5 -** If you win or do well at something, do not brag. If you lose, do not show anger.
- Rule #6 -** If you are asked a question in conversation, you should ask a question in return.
- Rule #7 -** Cover your mouth when you sneeze and say excuse me.
- Rule #8 -** Do not smack your lips, tsk, roll your eyes, or show disrespect with gestures.
- Rule #9 -** Always say thank you when given something.
- Rule #10 -** When you receive something, do not insult the gift or the giver.
- Rule #11 -** Surprise others by performing random acts of kindness.
- Rule #12 -** When grading other students' paper, give only the correct grade.
- Rule #13 -** When we read together in class, you must follow along.
- Rule #14 -** Answer all written questions with a complete sentence.
- Rule #15 -** Do not ask for a reward.
- Rule #16 -** Homework will be turned in each day for each subject by every student with no exceptions..
- Rule #17 -** When we transition from one subject to the other, the change will be swift, quiet, and orderly possible.
- Rule #18 -** You will make every effort to be as organized as possible.
- Rule #19 -** When I assign homework, there is to be no moaning or complaining.
- Rule #20 -** While you are with a substitute teacher, you will obey the same rules that you follow when I am with you.
- Rule #21 -** We will follow certain classroom protocols. We will be organized, efficient, and on task.

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Rule #22 - You may bring a bottle of water and leave it on your desk. Do not ask me if you can get water while I am teaching a les.

Rule #23 - Know other teachers' names and greet them by name.

Rule #24 - Keep yourself and the bathroom clean and germ-free.

Rule #25 - Greet visitor and make them feel welcome.

Rule #26 - Do not save seats in the lunchroom.

Rule #27 - Do not stare at a student who is being reprimanded.

Rule #28 - If you have a question about your homework, you may me.

Rule #29 - There are several manners dealing with food that you must follow: I call these my ABC's of Etiquette.

Rule #30 - After dining in the cafeteria or elsewhere being responsible for your trash.

Rule #31 - When we stay in a hotel room, it is appropriate to leave a tip for the hotel workers who are responsible for cleaning the room after our stay.

Rule #32 - When we ride on a bus, we will always sit facing forward.

Rule #33 - When meeting new people shake hands and repeat their names.

Rule #34 - When offered food, whether it be on a buffet or treats in a class, never take more than your fair share.

Rule #35 - Whether we are in school or on a field trip, if someone drops something, pick it up and hand it back to them.

Rule #36 - If you approach a door and someone is following you, hold the door.

Rule #37 - If someone bumps into you, even if it was not your fault, say, "Excuse me."

Rule #38 - On a field trip enter a public building quietly.

Rule #39 - If we are on a field trip, it is a good idea to compliment something about the place where we are visiting.

Rule #40 - During an assembly, do not speak and do not look around and try to get the attention of your friends in other classes.

Rule #41 - When you answer the phone at your house, you must do so in an appropriate manner.

Rule #42 - When we return from a trip, you will shake my hand as well as the hands of every chaperone.

Rule #43 - When we are on field trips and we have to go up escalators, we will stand to the right, walk to the left.

Rule #44 - When in a line, keep your arms at your sides and move quietly.

Rule #45 - Never cut line.

Rule #46 - No talking in a movie theater during a movie.

Rule #47 - Do not bring junk food into the school building.

Rule #48 - If any child in this school is bothering you, let me know.

Rule #49 - Stand up for what you believe in.

Rule #50 - Be positive and enjoy life.

Rule #51 - Live so that you will never have regrets.

Rule #52 - Learn from them and move on.

Rule #53 - No matter what the circumstances, always be honest.

Rule #54 - Carpe Diem. "Seize the Day!"

Rule #55 - Be the best person you can be.

Things to Know

Upcoming Events



Community events:

- December 1 Nutcracker
- December 1 Youngstown Light the Tree Event
- December 5 Lions Club lunch 11-2

December 12 Academy Urban Scholars

Breakfast w/ 8th grade

December 13 Mobile Dentist

December 18-19 Santa Workshop

December 21 Altruismo Holiday event

December Birthdays

- Corey Jackson 12/01
- Jermauni staples 12/02
- Mi'Shon Claytor 12/03
- Javion Gibson 12/5
- Aubree Stewart 12/10
- Malachi Love 12/10
- Jaiaysia Jones 12/11
- Lavontay Mullins 12/13
- Imiyah Quuner 12/13
- Emmarie Burgess 12/22
- KeMauri Daniel 12/22
- Johniya Murphy 12/23
- Cashmere Dothard 12/23
- Que'Onna Burgess 12/28
- Ka'Lynn Helton 12/29
- Bentley Schreffler 12/29
- Allyson Silva Ortiz 12/30



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