

Parkside Panthers



School Wide PBIS Plan

Parkside PAWS

What is it?

Staff members give PAWS AND words of praise to students when they are being safe, respectful, and responsible. PAWS are also given in common areas (hallway, lunch, recess, assemblies, etc.). The PAWS are stamped on a student's desk card when in class by the teacher (as well as anyone else in the classroom) and the teacher (or make it a student job) also transfers paper PAWS students have earned to their desk card. Paper PAWS should be ripped and thrown away once stamped and transferred. These PAWS are then traded in for privileges from a menu of options. Once a month, students can count and cash in their PAWS for a privilege.

When is it given?

A PAWS stamp is given each time a staff member sees a student being safe, respectful, or responsible. Should be used with praise for behavior. ☆Reminder: Even if a student is struggling in one area, we can still give PAWS for anything else they may be doing right! If we are looking for the positives, we will find them! Be sure to tell them why they earned it for maximum impact in improving school climate and behaviors.

Where is it given?

Staff can give PAWS at any point during the day, to any student in the school, and in any area of the school.

Why is it given?

PAWS are a tangible way of recognizing students who are meeting the behavior expectations of their classroom and school. It is a way to identify and encourage the positive behaviors we see at school every day.

Who gives it?

Any staff member, including custodians, cooks, paras, and administration, can give a PAWS.

Classroom teacher's responsibilities:

The classroom teacher is responsible for documenting on the Google Sheet when a card is filled up, storing the cards until spend day, managing the spend day, and turning spend day menus in with student choices.

How are PAWS cashed in for privileges?

On spend day, teachers will allow any student who would like to cash in PAWS to do so. Students with 20 or more PAWS can choose to cash them in or save them. If they save them, they are finished until spend day next

month. If they choose to spend them, they can "purchase" privileges on the menu. Be sure the student's name is on the menu and mark the prize/s he or she would like to choose. Please save all menus over the 3 spend days and turn them into Graves' box all together for your class by Friday. Teacher choice rewards should be managed by you and done when it is convenient for you. A privilege schedule will be sent out by the following Monday and all privileges will hopefully be done over the next week.

How many PAWS should students be earning?

For teachers using the older grade menus, students should be filling up 1 card per week, so 20, which equates to about 80 PAWS each month.

For teachers using the younger grade menus, students should be filling up 1 card every 2 weeks, so 10 a week or about 40 PAWS each month.

The idea is to have all students have access to the privilege of their choice each month and earn enough PAWS to do so.