

SIT/Leadership Notes

1. Ways to promote student attitudes towards learning
 - highlighting students' talents (bragging time on Husky tv)
 - ask parents to send in information on students success or their own
 - send information about children learning in pamphlets handed out at meetings, workshops, back-to-school night
 - real life applications
 - Genuine conversations about learning in conversations (application)
 - Teachers need to "keep it fresh" as the instructor
 - o Wait time
 - o Dialogue
 - o Changing lessons each year
 - hold students accountable for things they know and don't know
 - PS 247 – college partnership with Elementary schools: Towson, Loyola, Morgan, Notre Dame, etc.
 - Invite Chamber of Commerce – Hawthorne Civic Association (scholarships, Lions Club) Guest Readers and others to share careers w/students

2. 2nd Parent Survey request - Ideas and activities for younger students
 - art projects with writing
 - recipes and cooking
 - exercise class
 - language lesson (Spanish, etc.)
 - have some activity days in school
 - teachers come up with activities
 - make it a committee next year?
 - Consider "in school" time segments

3. Parent Survey items for 3rd quarter
 - College expectation at home?
 - What Pre-K and K parents might want for activities?
 - Would you be interested in parent workshops? (math, study skills, college)
 - I understand the benefits and purpose of the PTA. T/F
 - I feel I have significant input into school-wide decisions through: PTA, volunteering, leadership/SIT
 - I am supporting my student(s) learning thought: evening activities, parent/teacher conferences, SST/IEP meetings, parent visitation days, field trips, Back-to-School night, etc.

4. Committee Reports

- Yearbooks arriving soon! (Each teacher borrows a copy to show class?)
- Science Fair was a huge success!
- Civic Association Promethean Board demonstration
- Field Trip to Towson grades 2-5 May 7th
- Grade 1 field trip to Walters Art Museum, Thursday, May 7th
- Field Day, Friday, June 5th
- Mother's Day - Flower Sale May 8th