

Engaging Families with SW-PBS

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Sterling Elementary

- Third-Fifth Grade Building, 19 classrooms
- Student Enrollment: 422
- 39% Free/Reduced
- Title 1 School
- Transient Community: Air Force Base, University, Factory Jobs



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PBIS at Sterling

- Schoolwide expectations (GRR):
 - Go Safely, Show Respect, Be Responsible
- Reinforcement System: Tiger Bucks
- Other Recognitions:
 - Quarterly awards to classes
 - WIG assemblies
 - Positive office referrals
 - Brag Tags
 - Positive Phone Calls Home



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How do we ensure our families know what we are doing?

Data showed during the 2017-2018 school year, 403 students or 92.2% of the student population had 0-1 ODRs.

Do Sterling families understand...

How we celebrate this? And what we do to strengthen the “non-academic” skills of our students?

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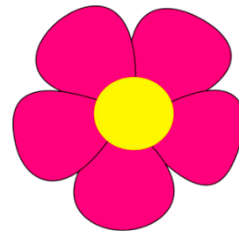
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Grow with PBIS

- Decision to host a family night to engage parents with foundations of PBIS
- Beginning of the school year
- As many staff and teachers as possible – opened up free to all families

Mark Your Calendars for September 27th from 5:30-7!



Sterling's First Annual
GROW with PBIS
Family Night!

We can't wait to teach all of our families more about Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) and how we help each student socially and emotionally at Sterling! This night will be filled with information beneficial for your family and it will also kickoff our Sterling Read-a-Thon celebration. More information will come home soon, but trust us - you won't want to miss this!

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Prioritizing what Families should know

- Made a list of all topics that *could* be included
- Designated one person on leadership team to head up the event in partnership with Family Engagement team at School

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Our station ideas...

- Specific Positive Feedback
- Making procedures at home
- Tiger Bucks (our school's reinforcer) and incentives
- An "At-home" matrix
- Social/Emotional/Behavioral School Lessons
- Peaceful Place (our school's recovery) and procedures
- Positive Recognition at Sterling
- Successful parenting support

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Utilizing Strengths

- Members of the leadership team – what did they feel comfortable teaching families about?
- Outside of building – district personnel
 - In District Autism Consultant
 - District Behavioral Specialist

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Make it Fun!

- Golden Tiger Buck
- Family Activity with GROW with PBIS Theme
 - Decorate a flower pot
 - Plant a seed
- Snacks
 - Bottled Water
 - Popcorn and Trail Mix
- Tied it to school's "Read-A-Thon" kickoff as an introduction

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Planning It Out

- Selecting Stations and Adults to carry out each station
- Planning communication to families
- Inviting public
 - PBIS consultants
 - local businesses
 - newspaper
- Order supplies for family activity
- Increase the hype!

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Utilizing Student Leadership

- Student CEOs
- Giving them a role and make them feel responsible



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Student Name: _____ + _____ family members here tonight

Grade: 3 4 5 Teacher Name: _____

Visit any stations that you wish! Stations will last approximately 7-8 minutes and you can then visit any other station!

5:30-5:40pm - Sterling PTO in Gym - Read-A-Thon Kickoff and Explanation. *Then choose ANY station you wish to attend!*

<p>Station 1 <u>Positive Opportunities for Sterling Students</u> with Dr. Johnson in the Library</p>	<p>Station 2 <u>The Peaceful Place</u> with Miss Kriss and Mrs. Elkins in Room 106</p>	<p>Station 3 <u>Shaping Behavior</u> with Mrs. Gates and Mrs. Fox in Room 107</p>	<p>Station 4 <u>GOAL Time Lessons</u> with Miss Biggar in Room 108</p>
<p>Station 5 <u>Tiger Bucks and Incentives</u> with Miss Wilde and Coach Hinnah in Room 113</p>	<p>Station 6 <u>At Home Procedures</u> with Mrs. Rankin and Mrs. Weldon in Room 109</p>	<p>Station 7 <u>Specific Positive Feedback</u> with Mrs. Bliss and Mrs. Mathis in Room 112</p>	<p><i>Visit at least <u>four</u> and then take this to the cafe to get your <u>GOLDEN</u> Tiger Buck, plant a flower, and get a snack!</i></p>

Staff Participation

- Leadership team headed up each station/event
- All other staff were encouraged to attend and assigned locations to be a part of
- Some teachers assisted with PTO participation also

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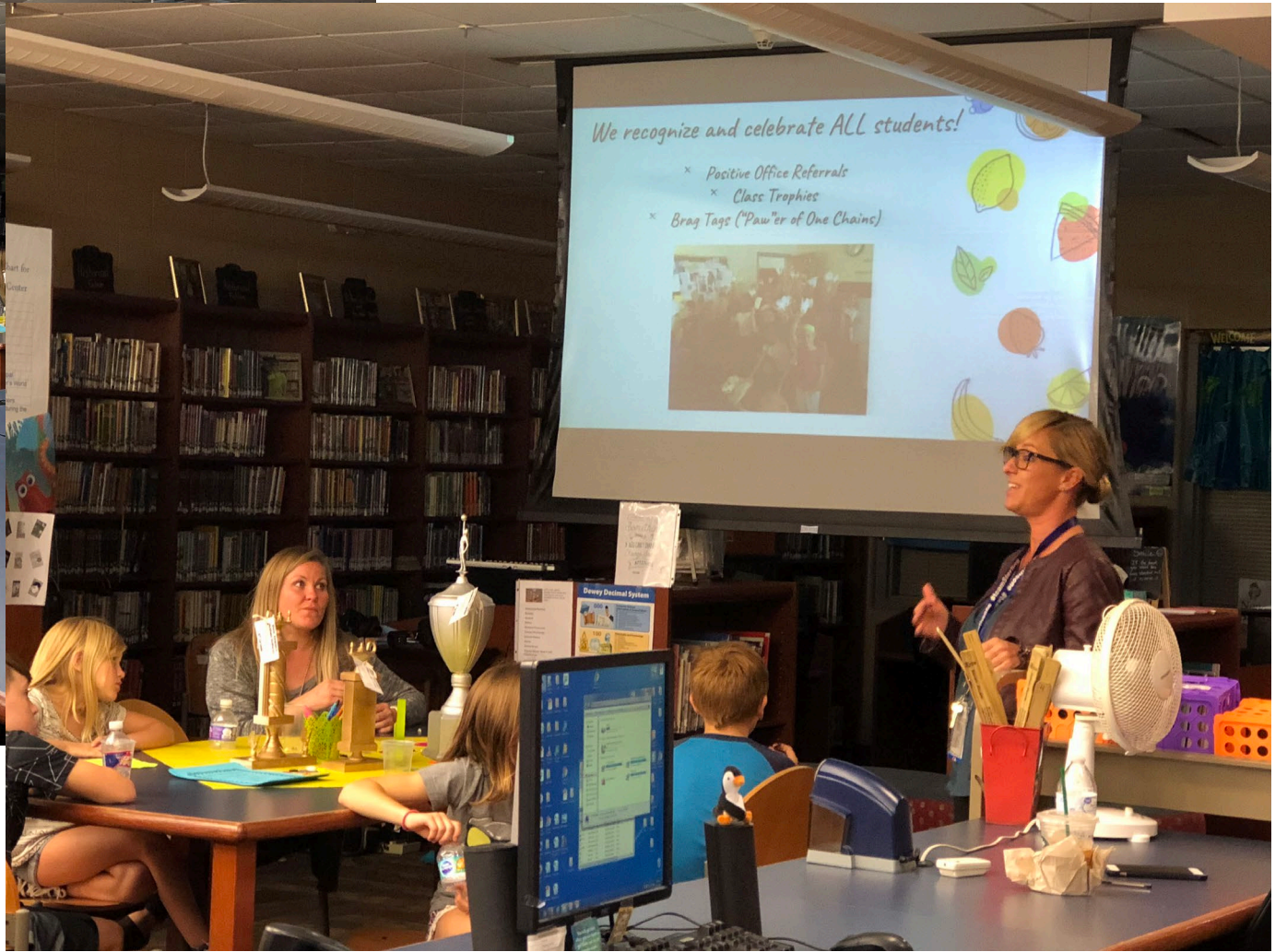
Results

- 118 students attended (28% of building population)
- Total attendance of students with family members was over 300!
- Parents asked questions of presenters and left with new ideas (which is always beneficial)

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Future Plans

- 3rd Grade and New Student Night in early September of next school year
- Later Family Engagement night for the whole school as a “booster”
- Monthly or Quarterly PBIS newsletters for families
- Community partnership and support

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