# Encourage Appropriate Behavior Stars for Applause Procedures Plymouth Elementary

### What is an Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamp/Stamp?

Patriot Cards are a Tier I strategy to reinforce our students for following the Patriot Way. An Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamp/Stamp is an incentive for student to follow the School Expectations (The Patriot Way). The purpose of the Sticker/Stamp is to promote positive interactions with students by all staff members and acknowledge kids for great behavior. Staff members may acknowledge any student with an Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamp for doing a great job with any of our school expectations around respect, responsibility, safety, positive leadership. Students can earn stickers/stamps from any staff member in the building and in any location. As students fill a Patriot Card, they will turn it in to the office for prizes.

#### How do students earn Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamps?

Staff members give out Sticker/Stamps throughout the school day to the student they feel are following the School Expectations (The Patriot Way). This is a very special acknowledgement. Students should earn 1-3 stickers/stamps daily for following the Patriot Way. The students who earn 3 would be students that follow the Patriot Way at all times. Earning stickers/stamps is for following the expectations consistently. Avoid giving ALL students in a class a sticker/stamp, if the whole class is following the Patriot Way reinforce with a Star for Applause. Students should NOT be trading their stickers/stamps with each other.

#### What do students do with Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamps?

Students place the Sticker/Stamps on their "Patriot Card".

# What is a Patriot Card?

A Patriot Card is like a Bingo card with 42 squares. The student places their Sticker/Stamps on the Patriot Card. Once the card is full the student turns the card into the office to select a reward. Each time the student turns in a card the color changes so the reward increases with each card. Students should be filling card no sooner than 3 weeks, some students would take longer. If a student loses their card, they start over on white.

# What do students get for filled Awesome Patriot Card?

Students get recognition by a staff member or teacher, praise from office staff when they turn in their card. A reward will be chosen by the student based on their color of card turned in. A new color card will be awarded to the student.

#### What is a Blue Patriot Star?

A Blue Patriot Star is an incentive for classes to work together to follow the School Expectations (The Patriot Way).

#### When do I give Blue Patriot Stars?

Give a Blue Patriot Star when you see an entire class following the School Expectations (The Patriot Way). Blue Patriot Stars may be award to other classes but you may not award them to your own class.

Example – You see a class walking quietly down the hallway . . . you can give them a Blue Patriot Star and acknowledge them for being so respectful.

# What does a class get for Blue Patriot Stars?

Classes get positive acknowledgement and reinforcement for receiving a Blue Patriot Star. For every 30 Blue Patriot Stars, the class will receive a mystery motivator prize. Please email Joni and Malynda to turn in your Blue Stars to come to your class and spin the mystery motivator. Your Blue Stars will be turned in for a Blue 30 Star. At 100 they will have a special HundBlue Celebration that the class will choose from a "HundBlue Menu" of rewards. Please email Malynda and Joni to arrange the HundBlue Celebration.

# What is a Golden Patriot Star?

A Golden Patriot Star is a super special acknowledgement that a sub CAN give to their own class at the end of the day if they had a wonderful experience with their class. Please attach one with your lesson plan. They are worth 5 Blue Patriot Stars and HIGHLY COVETTED! The sub will sign it and turn it into the office when they return the keys. These will be given to administration to be announced the following day. Administration will give return them to you to post with your Blue Stars.

# Principal Club Lunch

Every other Thursday you will send a student with their postcard to the Principal Club lunch table. They will be eating lunch with Malynda or Renee. This will begin the first Thursdayc7 in September. That is the 6<sup>th</sup> of September. This can be for any reason a teacher feels a student needs recognition for the academics, behavior or anything else.

# Why are we doing this?

We are doing this to teach our students the School Expectations (The Patriot Way) of Being a Positive Leader, Respectful, Responsible, and Safe in all setting of our school. Also, we want to reward students for positive behavior and encourage other students to rise to the occasion and follow suit.

The expectation is that <u>all</u> staff and substitutes use Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamps to acknowledge individual students and Patriot Stars to recognize entire classes exhibiting positive behaviors. All you have to do is carry and distribute Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamps and Patriot Stars throughout the school day in multiple settings. We suggest you give out at least 2-3 with a maximum of 5 in August and September Patriot Sticker/Stamps a day and a few Patriot Stars if you see the opportunity. Praise (be specific) those students that earn an Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamp and encourage those who don't! Little actions add up! Remember...

- Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamps recognize individual students
- Blue Patriot Stars recognize entire classes, except your own
- Golden Patriot Star recognize your class at the end of the day for a wonderful experience by a substitute.
- Patriot Card recognize individual students for continued positive behavior

Additional Awesome Patriot Sticker/Stamp, Patriot Stars, Patriot Tickets can be found in the front office.

# Thank You for being here and taking time to reward students in our school for positive behavior!