

7 Week Staff To Student Relationship Challenge

1 FOCUS OF THE WEEK: Building relationships in the hallways

This week identify at least 3 students who you would like to learn their name in the hallways. Introduce yourself and quickly ask them about their day and what their favorite class is. When you see them later that day or the next time, use their name when speaking to them. This simple gesture could make a huge difference!

2 FOCUS OF THE WEEK: Compliment -- Kicks

This week identify students each day who have nice shoes (kicks). Get their attention and compliment their kicks. If you do not know their name ask them their name. Possibly mention some shoes that you have or had that you enjoy. This helps make a connection about something that everyone loves, shoes.

3 FOCUS OF THE WEEK: Nice Outfit

This week identify at least 4 students who have a nice outfit. When complimenting, mention what is special about their outfit (color, style). Possibly have them spin around so you can see all of it. Remember, don't tag anything on to the end of the compliment. Like, "...more people would appreciate your outfit if you took your hood off..." Let the compliment speak for itself.

4 FOCUS OF THE WEEK: Eye Contact

This week I challenge you to make eye contact with at least one student each day and smile (under your mask). No need to say anything. Just get their attention and smile. They should be able to see the smile in your eyes. They may ask, "What?" or "What's wrong?" If they do here are some responses:

- Nothing, I'm just happy to see you
- Nothing, I appreciate you
- Nothing, I just needed to smile today
- Nothing, you make me smile

5 FOCUS OF THE WEEK: Points and Thumbs Up

This week point at least 2 students each day. When they notice they are getting pointed at, quickly switch the point to a thumbs up and smile (with your eyes). No need to say anything. Just do the gesture. Watch what happens. Most likely the student will be shocked then smile and possibly even laugh a little. This quick switch up causes a shock with a happy ending. The kids will love it.

6 FOCUS OF THE WEEK: Joke of the Day

Use the link below and pick a joke for each day of the week. Start or end your class with the Joke of the Day. You do not have to be good at telling a joke. Actually, the worse you are the better. Try to get as many moans from the kids as possible.

- [145 Dad Jokes](#)

7 FOCUS OF THE WEEK: Marker Board

Grab a hand-held marker board and a dry erase maker. In the morning write "Good Morning" on the board in big letters. Stand in the hallway and greet students holding the sign. Do this for at least 3 days this week. Consider adding a positive statement or quote.

- Have a Great Day
- I'm Smiling Under This Mask
- Heads Up Buttercup
- I'm Proud Of You
- You Got This
- Wave If You Can Read This

