Ideas for Departments to Recognize Student Employees

Friday April 17, 2015 is Department Appreciation Day of Student Employees

(Departments can show their appreciation all week as well)

- Treat Day: Full-Time Staff bring in treats for student employees
- Take Pictures: Post student employee pictures and list what wonderful things they do for your department.
- Coupon Booklets: Insert coupons for a free can of pop, movie night at the boss’ house (everyone needs to redeem for this one), one dozen home baked goodies, etc. Be creative in designing your own coupons.
- Notes Home: Send a note to the families of your student employees. Let them know what the student does, how their work impacts your department, and how terrific the student is.
- Silly Student Employee Awards: Buy low cost, blank certificates and make up silly awards for students: best telephone voice, best web-surfer, etc.
- Office Party: Celebrate with food (such as tacos, pizza, or subs) and great conversation between your staff.
- Pat on the Back: Draw an outline of your hand on a piece of paper. Photocopy enough copies for all students in your office. On each hand write a note that tells the student why they deserve a “Pat on the Back”. You can even hang them around the office.
- Good Egg Award: Buy plastic Easter Eggs, fill with goodies and give out with “Good Egg” certificates. List what the student did to deserve the award.
- Make a banner to hang for the whole week in your office.
- Decorate the office bulletin board or the office door for the week in recognition of your students.
- Care Package with cookies and treats.
- Send a special “Thank You” letter to your student employees to show your appreciation
- Bookstore Certificates are always a nice treat for students and they will definitely use them!