

Recognition ideas for Student Employees

LOW COST:

- **Treat Day** - full-time staff bring in treats/lunch for student workers.
- **Treat Week** – each day bring something different – cookies, popcorn, candy, etc.
- **Take pictures** - post student employee pictures and list what wonderful things they do
- **Friendship Plants** - take cuttings from a plant in the office and give to each student as a live “connection” to the office.
- **Bright Ideas** - spray paint a light bulb gold, screw into a jar of play-dough and make a label around the jar naming who is receiving the “Bright Idea” award.
- **Good Egg Award** - buy plastic Easter Eggs, fill with goodies and give out with “Good Egg” certificates. List what the student did to deserve this award.
- **Cookies, Cookies, Cookies** – Students love treats
- **Snack Goodie Bag**- Fill with small packs of crackers, cookies, candy and chips
- **Popcorn** – Fill a bowl or individual mini bowls daily, inexpensive yet tasty.
- **Fruit** – Have bowl of fresh fruit – take out- apples, plums, oranges etc.
- **Gift cards** – fast food, subway, pizza hut etc.
- **Movie tickets**
- **Certificates of Appreciation** – Make up certificates and have them framed. (you can find decent frames at the dollar store or office depot)

FREE:

- **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”.
- **Make a banner** to hang for the whole week in your office.
- **Decorate an office bulletin board** or the office door for the week in recognition of your students.
- **Use YOUR imagination....** A simple THANK YOU for all you do will go a long way!

