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Get a Jump on Next Year

What a fantastic year we have had in the EAP!! Thank you for your dedication to the program and for making school employees feel special and honored. We are anticipating an even greater year in 2014-15 and we have been working ahead to make this next year even easier for you!!

There are a few simple things that you can do that will put you light years ahead by the time the next appreciation days roll around:

-talk up the EAP to people in your community, church and neighborhoods then use the [Line Up Your Resources Chart](#) to get

willing folks lined up to help in little ways
-talk to your administrator and get his/her support to enlist even more resources in your school such as the music teacher's help with the song for each appreciation day

Everything about the EAP is organized around the concept that lots of people doing a little work to make a HUGE impact and change the culture of the schools. We look forward to working with you in the next year and please let us know what we at Utrust can do to make your EAP even better.

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Anderson County Celebrates Teacher Appreciation Day

Somewhere over the rainbow...and all over our great state..teachers were appreciated with heart-felt thank you notes, fabulous student-made posters and lunches that even the Flying Monkeys would appreciate. So sit back and enjoy reading what the amazing coordinators have to say about what their students did to show their teachers how much they are loved.

Anderson County. Click [here](#) to view the system album.

Anderson County High School - For Teacher Appreciation we showered our teachers with small gifts to get them through their busy day. The gifts included cookies, brownies, candy, a school drink holder, tea, notes and more. Several of the teachers came by to thank us for taking the time to appreciate them. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Career & Technical Center - For 'Teacher Appreciation Week', one of our A-Team members made a "We Appreciate our Teachers"

banner and put it in the commons area. Monday we put a Appreciation Certificate in each of the teachers mailbox. On Tuesday they received a card made by the A-Team. Wednesday Mr. Myers gave each teacher a school pen. Thursday was the Teacher Appreciation Breakfast. Friday was the best of all because they put donuts in the teacher workroom for the teachers. They loved it! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Clinton High School - For Teacher Appreciation Day, we actually treated our teachers over a three day period. On Wednesday, every teacher got a gift card that was generously donated by Chik-fil-a. On Thursday, all the teachers got a bag of chocolate. To wrap things up on Friday, we brought in a chocolate and a vanilla cake for the teachers to enjoy. We also allowed students the opportunity to write notes to their favorite teachers. Everyone seemed to enjoy the treats! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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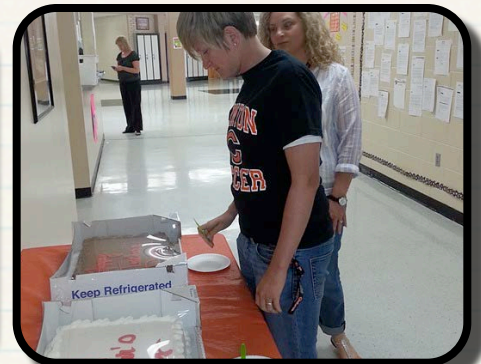
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Following the Yellow Brick Road to Appreciation for Teachers

Lake City Elementary - The 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students completed sheets for their teachers with why they love their teacher, why they are a great teacher, and their favorite things about their class this year. The Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade students wrote thank you letters for their teacher. These letters were compiled and given to the teachers. The teachers were treated to a meal every day this week. On Wednesday, teachers were treated to a special surprise lunch and program. The administration, support staff, custodians, and food service workers all worked together to plan a fabulous meal complete with decorations, barbeque lunch, desserts, and gifts. Each teacher was met at the door of the gym and presented with a lei. After eating lunch, the teachers had fun performing karaoke on stage to selected songs. All teachers were given a gift of a pen and a Wal-Mart gift card provided by our PTO.

The teachers really enjoyed this opportunity to share meals together, relax, and have fun. It was an honor to be appreciated by the entire staff and student body. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Grainger County. Click [here](#) to view the system album.

Rutledge Elementary - The Rutledge Elementary School PTO hosted the 2014 Teacher Appreciation with a Wizard of Oz theme. Teachers and students were permitted to dress up for the day. PTO went around to each classroom to take pictures and judge by grade level the best dressed classrooms for the Wizard of Oz theme. Teachers were also asked to decorate their doors with the theme for an additional prize. The entire school was decorated with the theme, including the hallways and tables. Everyone had a blast! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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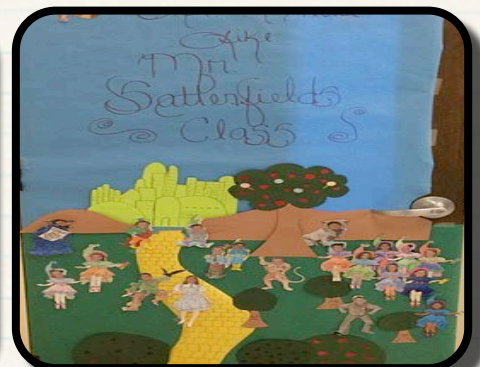
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Benton County Honors Teachers

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Big Sandy School - Teachers were treated to a grilled lunch and homemade desserts. Also teachers were given the "red slipper award". Great day for teachers. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Briarwood Elementary - Briarwood students did a great job honoring their teachers with adorable posters, a yellow brick road and a luncheon fit for all the honorees. It was a great day. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Camden Elementary - There's no place like home...or Camden Elementary to our teachers. Our Teacher Appreciation Day was really Teacher Appreciation Week because of all the trips and special days that were already planned. Teachers were treated to breakfast one day, lunch another, and snacks throughout the week by our PTO. The A-Team made announcements and posters. Teacher Assistants worked with the classes to finish the year-long teacher memory

books. Students made models of the Emerald City for their teacher. On our final appreciation day, the staff wore Oz-theme shirts and were serenaded by students and presented with special treats. We had character masks that the A-Team wore when they presented treats and posters. They chose from Dorothy, Tin Man, Cowardly Lion, Scarecrow, the Good Witch, and the Bad Witch. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Camden High School - Students brought us lunch and wonderful desserts. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Camden Junior High - For the month of May, Camden Jr. High A-Team used The Wizard of Oz theme and showed their appreciation for the teachers. Each teacher was given a postcard of appreciation signed by their homeroom along with a bottle of Germ-X with a Wizard of Oz sticker. CJH's mascot is the lion so who better to pose with the teachers and A-Team leaders than the most courageous Wizard of Oz character, the lion. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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Schools Showing Love to Teachers on their Appreciation Day

Career & Technical Center -

Career & Tech Students and parents surprised teachers with yummy food, massages, and nice notes of appreciation. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Holladay School - The A-Team presented flowers and candy to the teachers. Parents and community members also sent snacks for the teachers on appreciation day. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Hamblen County. Click [here](#) to view the system album.

Hillcrest Elementary - Teacher Appreciation at Hillcrest was awesome! The A-Team was so very helpful making posters, organizing thank you notes to teachers and passing out treats. Each teacher received notes of thanks written on "Yellow Bricks". Along with the notes, each teacher got a flower and a handmade tile that said, "Thanks so Much". Hillcrest Baptist Church Women's group provided a delicious lunch which included soup, sandwiches, chips, drinks and dessert. Our teachers really deserved their fun day!

Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Hollow Rock-Bruceton Special School District. Click [here](#) to view the system album.

Hollow Rock-Bruceton Special School District, **Central Elementary, Central Middle and Central High School** celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week in various ways. The best part of the week was that TCAPs are over. Our first celebration was the presenting of ONE TEAM-ONE GOAL-TIGER STAFF t-shirts, a bottle of water and a candy bar to each teacher. Each building, following the "Wizard of Oz" theme, decorated their halls with various posters and yellow-brick roads, filled with notes on each brick, from students in various classes. The principals honored their teachers with a catered lunch fit for a "wizard"! To end our celebration, we made a group photo celebrating the end of the school year with our new shirts as we are, "ONE TEAM - ONE GOAL-TIGER STAFF"! We are clicking our heels together and celebrating another fantastic year of educating our future adults. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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Hawkins County Honoring Teachers with Wizard of Oz Theme.

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Church Hill Elementary - Church Hill Elementary celebrated their teachers in style. The First Methodist Church of Mount Carmel brought the teachers Ice Cream Cake to cool a hot day down. On Thursday, our teachers was treated to a brunch fit for a lion, they had all kinds of food to eat and desserts to fill even a tin man. We greatly appreciate our teachers and all the hard work they do for our school and our teachers. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Church Hill Intermediate - Our teachers were celebrated "Wizard of Oz" style during teacher appreciation week. We had a local church that provided lunch one day, students and their families along with our assistants provided a goodie day, and our local Hardees provided breakfast for them one day as well. Teacher appreciation gifts were given to each teacher, as well as a diploma representing their service to our school. We love our teachers at CHIS! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Church Hill Middle School - Church Hill Middle School teachers

were served a special lunch prepared by Ridgeview Baptist Church. Our Jr Beta Club presented teachers with a treat basket. Students also made posters and letters of appreciation. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Clinch School - Somewhere in Hawkins County, Clinch School celebrated! What a "tornado" of a day we had on Teacher Appreciation Day! Quotes from the movie were placed around the hallways and a yellow brick road with sayings about the teachers were posted on the wall. The main bulletin board had a caption that read "There Is No Place Like Clinch School", with teachers pictures scattered around it. Kids in K through 5 colored pictures from the movie and those were entered into a coloring contest, winners received a prize. Each teacher received a bag full of snacks, teaching supplies and a t-shirt. The office staff bought each person a mug with candy in it. Lunch was provided for everyone to enjoy. Thank you notes were made and given to teachers. Unlike the scarecrow, there was a lot of "heart" shown at Clinch School on Thursday! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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Celebrating Teachers in Hawkins County

Joseph Rogers Primary -

Teachers were honored with lunch out, student artwork, banner, student announcement, Wizard of Oz themed book of student memories and a skit. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Keplar Elementary -

For Teacher Appreciation Day, each of our teachers were given a magic wand made of fruit. This wand was to wish each teacher a wonderful day and hoping that the good witch, Glenda, would grant all their wishes for the day. The teachers were also given a book, made up of the students' handwritten notes stating their favorite thing about their classroom or intervention teacher with a picture of the students included. They were off to see the wizard, when they were all whisked away by the wicked witch who dropped them off safely at Cheddar's. They all returned to school with a smile on their face and happy to be back in the land of

Keplar, with all their little munchkins...THE END. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

McPheeter's Bend -

For Teacher Appreciation Day, the A-Team decorated the bulletin board and put down the "yellow brick road". We had a presentation for them where the "lollipop guild" gave each teacher a lollipop decorated with ribbon and a Wizard of Oz pin. The children also wrote a special note of thanks in the book for each teacher. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Mooreburg Elementary -

Mooreburg Elementary A-Team celebrated Teacher Appreciation Day by presenting each teacher with a travel bag filled with goodies. They can use the travel items on their trip to Oz or wherever they choose to go this summer. The A-Team wrote thank you notes on yellow bricks we placed in the front hallway floor. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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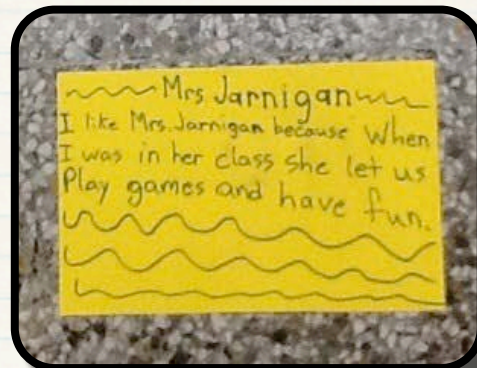
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Mt. Carmel Elementary - Teachers at MCES followed the yellow brick road lined with lions, tigers and bears. The Lollipop guild was there as well. Teachers enjoyed a skit performed by the A-Team. Each student wrote to their homeroom teacher on a yellow brick. They expressed their thanks, what their favorite part of the class had been, or what they had learned. Lunch was served for our teachers and each day they had a special treat. From "ding dongs" the witch is dead, tasting the rainbow (skittles), to their very own yellow brick road across their desk. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Volunteer High School - We celebrated Teacher Appreciation Day by serving a wonderful breakfast to our teachers. All of our teachers received a "Wizard of Oz" themed t-shirt. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Jackson County. Click [here](#) to view the system album.

Dodson Branch Elementary - Celebrating our teachers was an easy thing to do. We are blessed here at DBS with a wonderful array of teachers. They each bring something special to our

wonderful little school. Each one is willing to step up and do what needs to be done for the better of our students. We celebrated with pizza and brownies. The A-Team and I made little goodies for the teachers to take. The A-Team also had fun in decorating for the event. We made posters, invitations, and we even made a yellow brick road to follow to the luncheon. I am sure that as the school year ends, the teachers can see just how many students they are leading down the yellow brick road (the right path)! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Putnam County. Click [here](#) to view the system album.

Jere Whitson Elementary - We celebrated Teacher Appreciation Day at Jere Whitson Elementary. Students started the celebration by singing to the teachers over the intercom during morning announcements. Teachers were presented with a class book that the students had made. They were also given some small treats. Teachers were treated to lunch provided by one of our school adopters, Washington Avenue Baptist Church. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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Wizard of Oz Teacher Appreciation Day Celebrations

Prescott South

Elementary - We transformed our small gym into the Wizard of Oz. Teacher gifts included a bag of skittles (follow the rainbow), a muffin from Auntie Em's kitchen, a puzzle book with pencils, a booklet made by the students and a ruby red filled with candy. Our PTO made us a delicious lunch and renamed each item as a part of Wizard of Oz. The teachers seemed to really love the week. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Trousdale County. Click [here](#) to view the system album.

Trousdale County

Elementary - The teachers were treated to a fantastic luncheon and honored with adorable decorations using the theme. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Trousdale County High

School - Teachers received a goodie bag filled with school supplies and a couple of extra goodies. Then they followed the "yellow brick road" to a nacho bar, supplied by our student council, and a sundae bar the A-Team provided. All in all it was a great day and everyone enjoyed it! Some of my A-Team members are already getting ready for next year by making posters early. I love my A-Team! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

Jim Satterfield Middle

School - JSMS celebrated Teacher Appreciation Day with the Wizard of Oz Theme. Our A-team presented each of our teachers with a goodie filled school mug. The teachers will also have pizza provided for lunch. Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

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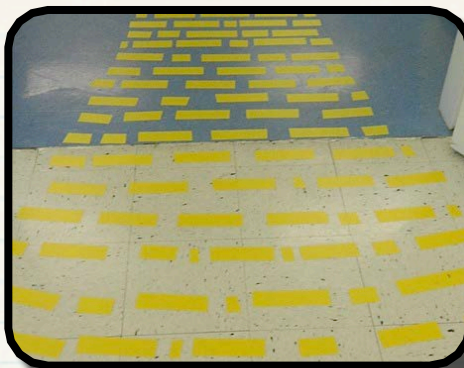
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Sumner County Honors their Teachers

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Station Camp Elementary - At Station Camp, we wanted to celebrate Teacher Appreciation Day in a way that shows our wonderful teachers how grateful we are for their hard work. We had our A-Team students collaborate with our PTO to incorporate both into one week full of gratitude. Our PTO planned a week of lunches, breakfasts, and treats for the teachers from places such as, Black Eyed Pea, Chick-Fil-A, Fox's Den Pizza, and Panera Bread. While our A-Team worked to celebrate teachers by giving letters of thanks, creating memory books of appreciation during Related Arts, and presenting their teachers with a moment of thanks within their classes. Several classes collaborated amongst each other to give their teacher their own gifts such as, gift cards, thank you cards, and miscellaneous items. Teachers were provided with food, a spa set up in the office for a moment of tranquility during planning times, and Maggie

Moos and Kona Ice for sweet treats in the afternoon. Each day a Teacher of the Day was announced on our school's PTO facebook page by grade level for a \$25 gift card raffle that took place each afternoon. Parents were encouraged to get involved by adding sweet comments of thanks, names for the raffle came from these comments. It was so sweet to be able to go back and see what sweet things our amazing parents had to say about the teachers. The teachers felt appreciated at the end of the week, and were sad to have to pack their own lunches again. We loved being able to play a role in celebrating such hard workers! Click [here](#) to view the pictures.

The 2013-14 school year was an amazing success in continuing to spread an attitude of gratitude in the schools. Thank you for working hard to show the school employees how much they are valued and appreciated. We can't wait to see the great things that will happen using the fun themes for 2014-15. Until then, may you have a blessed and relaxed summer.

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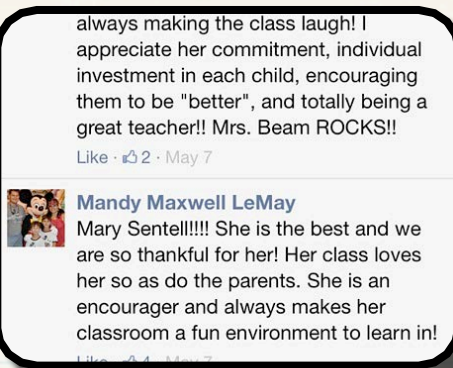
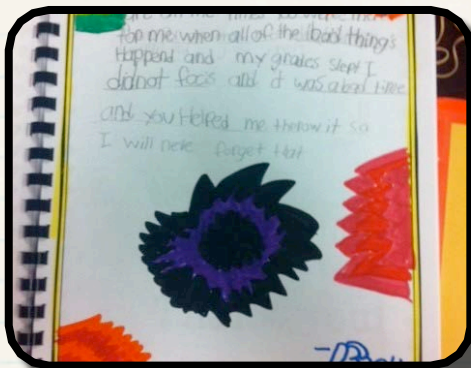
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Teacher Appreciation Day LUCKY STAR WINNER



Congratulations to Lake City Elementary in Anderson County for being the winner of the Lucky Star Random Drawing for Teacher Day. \$100 goes to their A-Team to be used in great ways!

Remember, all you have to do to enter is submit at least 5 photos and a short, detailed summary after each appreciation day. You may win \$100 for your A-Team.

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