

Development and Implementation of Recognition Program for Middle School Students

30 Inservice Points

Component No: 5 404 005

General Objective:

Participants will demonstrate knowledge of the characteristics needed to develop and implement a recognition program for middle school students that highlights the students' academic prowess as well as their character, leadership, service, and citizenship.

Specific Objectives:

1. Identify the issues, questions, and concerns in starting a program such as this one.
2. Identify any outstanding issues in the school that would preclude the school from initiating such a program.
3. Identify the risks and benefits of starting such a program.
4. Develop an understanding of the components necessary for the program.
5. Develop an awareness of the best practices and guidelines identified for the commencement of the program.
6. Develop an understanding of the procedures needed for the program.
7. Identify the necessary paperwork to submit to the national office in starting the program.
8. Develop a process for student selection.
9. Identify the students.
10. Identify the necessary collaborative efforts around student selection.
11. Develop a celebration to recognize the students.
12. Identify the ongoing professional development required to maintain the program.

Activities/Procedures:

1. Facilitate paperwork for the program.
2. Begin the program.
3. Inform parents and students.
4. Facilitate the process for selection.
5. Identify the students.
6. Facilitate collaboration.

Evaluation

1. Participants will complete the checklist for national programs such as this one and earn 90 percent compliance with the guidelines.
2. Participants will complete a survey of the parent community regarding their first impressions of the process and the recognition.
3. Participants will show evidence of long-term professional development goals related to the endeavor.

Follow-Up:

1. Structured coaching and mentoring
2. Collaborative efforts among participants
3. Collaboration with other state-wide program directors.

