

SIT Meeting - April, 11, 2016

Good Things

1. Mr. Dellisanti – Work being accomplished in his backyard
2. Ms. Effrid – Got engaged
3. Mrs. Harper – Mom is settled in a nursing home

Field Trip

- Dai – April 29th, 12-3:30, China Buffet, Approved
- Hiatt – End of April, Johnson & Wales, Foods 1 & 2, Paid from CTE, Approved
- China Trip – Invitation from a School in China, details are still being worked out, cost will only be the airfare (around \$1500.00), 13 students involved, July or August, Approved

*Just a reminder that teachers can refuse to sign field trip forms if the student has not met his obligations in class, missed a lot in class, etc.

Senior projects

- May 19th – We will continue as we have in the past with afternoon and evening presentations
- We will look into In-school presentations for next year
- If you know anyone in the community who would be willing to judge, please let Mr. Connolly know.

Recycling

There have been issues with recycling attracting bugs in classrooms. Please don't place trash in the bins.

Fees

- **Please send all fees to Mrs. Drew by Friday** so that she can contact parents.
- Senior CATS teachers need to talk to students about paying fees. They will not be allowed to walk or participate in graduation practice if they don't pay their fees.

Senior CATS Teachers

- Mrs. Bryd is going to work on creating a Senior CATS checklist to help Senior CATS teachers with things that need to be done at the end of the year.
- Mr. Gobble placed slips in Senior CATS teachers for help getting materials turned into the library.

Absences/prom

- Someone asked if students who miss excessive absences could be kept from attending Prom?
- What about other activities? Ex - the play, driving passes, games, etc. It is not fair to pick on one activity.
- Why take attendance at all? This is not an option – legal liability, dealing with parents, justifying grades, etc. You must take attendance in every class, every day.
- There is no longer an attendance requirement for sports, but a player who misses school can't attend practice or play in a game on a day they miss.
- The paperwork required to keep up with something like this makes it difficult to enforce.
- Is there an incentive that will get kids to come to school?
- Engaging classrooms get kids to come school. If they are determined to not come, an incentive program usually does not make a huge difference.
- It may be more effective to reward kids with good attendance.
- How can we reward students who are doing well or have vastly improved?
We will discuss this at our May meeting.