

Positive Attitudes, Wonderful Students

August 16, 2013

The K-3rd grade team, along with the rest of Summersville School, is implementing the PAWS program this year. This program, PAWS (Positive Attitudes, Wonderful Students), was designed to clearly state expectations for every area of the school building and reinforce positive behavior.

Each student will be given a PAWS card at the beginning of each month to keep track of behavior. Students will start out with 4 PAWS at the beginning of each day and fines will be assessed for behaviors that break school and/or classroom rules (PAWS will be taken away). If a student loses their PAWS card, they will be given a new card. However, the points that they had accumulated will be lost.

PAWS cards should not be removed from folders, except by your child's teacher!

We will use the PAWS cards to monitor success and students who have earned 85% of their PAWS will be eligible to participate in reward activities at the end of each quarter. We want to reward the great choices Summersville students make!

Example: On a regular (no half-days), 5-day school week, students must have 17 PAWS remaining to achieve 85%.

Please help your child make the most of this school year by encouraging good work habits and insisting on proper behavior.

The following are ways PAWS can be lost: (The number indicates how many PAWBUCKS will be lost per incident.)

- (1) Minor Offenses (See Student Handbook)
- (2) Major Offenses (See Student Handbook/Office Referral)
- (4) In/Out-of-School Suspension, per day
- (4-20) Lost PAWBUCK card (4 for each day lost)

Sincerely,
K-3rd Grade Teachers

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This PAWS approach will start August 19, 2013. Your student will be receiving their PAWBUCKS card that day. Please sign and return the bottom portion of this letter by Monday, August 19. Please keep the top portion for your records.

I understand that my child may have PAWS taken as a consequence for inappropriate behavior. I agree to help my child understand what good choices can be made in the future. I know my child is capable of great things!

Student's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____