

**Teacher Appreciation for Any Occasion
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Staff Luncheons

StuCo Officers create a menu for the luncheon. Each member signs up to bring an item from the menu. Members also sign up to work shifts during the luncheons. On the day of the event, members set-up the luncheon area with themed decorations. During the event, members serve the food, clear tables, and serve as wait-staff retrieving forgotten items for the staff. After the event, StuCo members clean the luncheon area and return it to its intended use. Sample luncheons are Back to School, Halloween, Valentine's Day, and Cinco de Mayo.



Extra Pay Day

Student Council Members voted to give every staff member an “extra payday”. StuCo purchased Pay Day and 100 Grand candy bars. Each staff member received a candy bar with a slogan attached. “You deserve an Extra Payday for all that you do.” “Here’s a HUNDRED GRAND for a job well done.”

Surprise Halloween Party

We surprised our staff with a Halloween Party. StuCo members volunteered to bring treats for the teachers; chips, dip, cookies, cupcakes, and drinks. We printed “spooky” labels for the drinks, such as Spider Venom, Witches Brew, and Jack O’Lantern Juice. During the party, we played music from Halloween movies and gave the teachers treats we had made for them such as Witches Brooms and Bat Candy Bars.



STAAR Break

During the STAAR Test, we treated our staff members to a “Testing Break”. Every staff member received a Kit Kat Bar with a note reading “You deserve a break.”



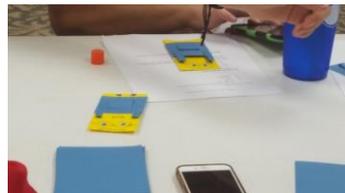
Walking Taco Bar

For our Cinco de Mayo/Teacher Appreciation Week Luncheon, we hosted a Walking Taco Bar. We used StuCo funds to purchase individual Nacho Cheese Doritos bags for every staff member. StuCo members volunteered to bring lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, sour cream, desserts, and drinks. Our Advisor brought the COOKED taco meat. During their lunch, staff members visited the lounge where they fixed their “Walking Taco”.



Bookmarks

Each staff member received a Monster Bookmark hand-made by Student Council Members. Staff members also received Minion Bookmarks which read “MJHS Teachers are one in a Minion.”

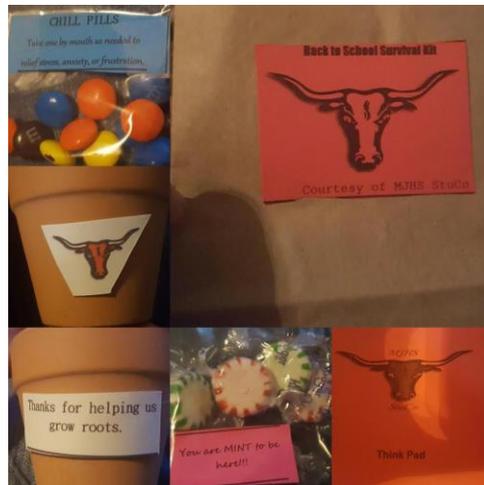


Tailgate Party

We welcomed staff back to school and celebrated College Colors Day with a back to school tailgate party. We had a bbq grill set up on our campus lawn. We also contacted PTA to assist by manning the grill while we were in class. We had hotdogs, chips, drinks, and desserts for our staff. We gave the staff a chance to spend time with others that they might not normally see.

Back to School Survival Kits

We created Survival Kits as a welcome back to all of our teachers and staff members. We put labels on brown lunch bags, then filled the bags with “necessities” for Staff In-service week. In each bag, we placed a recycled notepad, a bag of “Chill Pills”, a bag of peppermints, and a decorated mini flowerpot (Marshall is/was the clay pot capital of the world, producing more clay pots than anywhere else).



Parent-Teacher Conference Desserts

Our District holds Parent-Teacher Conference from 1:00-6:00 on an early release day, which means many of our teachers do not get a proper lunch that day. In order to show our teachers how much we appreciate their sacrifice, StuCo members sign up to bring desserts for the staff that day. Desserts can be homemade or store bought, and we set them up in the lounge before early release. Teachers are able to get a free dessert between conferences and know that we students appreciate all they do for us on a daily basis.

5 Days of Christmas

The week before Christmas break at MJHS is our annual 5 Days of Christmas Observance. We sponsor a door-decorating contest for all staff members that would

like to participate. For the staff members who want to participate but don't have the time, we volunteer to decorate their doors for them. They aren't included in the contest judging, but they still join in the spirit of the week. The event is called the 5 Days of Christmas, because everyday of the week staff members are treated to a gift from StuCo. Some of the gifts are edible such as Snowman Soup (Hot Chocolate), Reindeer Poop (coconut flakes and chocolate chips), and Melted Snowman (Bottled Water) and come with a funny slogan; and some are informative such as The Legend of the Candy Cane. Each year, every staff member receives a Christmas card from Student Council with a handwritten note from a StuCo member. All of the gifts are prepared at a workday the Saturday before the week begins.

