SHAWNEE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



CHIPPEWA VALLEY SCHOOLS

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Dear Shawnee Families:

The Shawnee staff is excited to continue our school-wide Positive Behavior Support (PBS) program with our students. The primary goal of PBS is to help students be aware of their behavior. We know that when good behavior and teaching come together, our star students will excel in their learning. As a staff, we have established Shawnee Stars behavior expectations for all areas of the school: classroom, cafeteria, hallways, playground, bus, and bathrooms.

<u>Shawnee Stars</u> <u>Take Responsibility</u> <u>Are Always Safe</u> <u>Respect Others</u> <u>Shawnee Stars</u>

The premise of PBS is to reward the good behaviors and work to improve the negative behaviors. The staff will work to teach, model, rehearse, reinforce, and praise students for appropriate behaviors. We will reward students with "Star Tickets" as a tangible reinforcement for their positive behavior. Each student is responsible for collecting and keeping their "Star Tickets" safe and secure. We will provide a zippered pouch to help keep each student's tickets in one place. Once a month, our PTO will help students redeem their tickets for exciting prizes and rewards. We will also reward students with verbal praise, postcards mailed home, certificates, recognition assemblies, t-shirts and much more.

A <u>Behavior Violation Form</u> was developed to help communicate with you when the usual reminders do not work or when children commit major violations that threaten the safety and well being of our children and staff. The adult who issues the form will mark the problem behavior and issue a consequence from the suggested list. If your child brings home a Behavior Violation Form, please sign the form, discuss the better choice for that behavior, and return the appropriate copies. The forms must be returned on the next school day or your child will lose privileges until it is returned; this is the responsibility of the student.

Please take this opportunity to speak to your children about the Shawnee Stars behavior expectations as we work together to provide an educational setting with responsibility, safety and respect as the pillars for all student behavior. You can encourage positive behavior in your home by incorporating these three expectations as well. Be sure to visit our school website at http://www.cvs.k12.mi.us/shawnee for more information about our PBS program. Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Shawnee Staff