



# Raising Student Achievement

*Students LEADing students at the  
middle school*

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# GRANGER

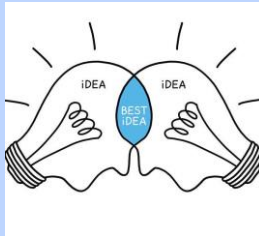
## *Student Leadership Program*



*How to improve school climate by giving power back to the students!*

# How did this all get started?

- Approached by assistant principal six years ago
  - *How can we start a student led team to “run” the school*
  - *How can this be different from student council?*



# Why do we do this?

## 3 Basic Emotional Needs

- *To love and be loved!*
- *To belong!*
- *To make a difference!*



***We wanted everyone to feel as though they can come to a place where they feel safe and able to achieve their goals as a learner.***

# FIRST Steps

- *Create a name: GRIZZLIES = GRIZLeaders*
- *Decide on a selection process*
- *Decide on basic participation activities*
  - *Help with incoming 6th graders*
  - *Advisory Classes*



# Our Mission Statement-

Created by the ideas from the 2015-16 GRIZLeaders

**To create an environment where everyone  
belongs to the Granger community!**





# Selection Process

## Year 1-3



- Input from Teams, Staff and Support Staff for potential 8th graders that are current 7th graders:
  - Grizzly of the Week recipients
  - Granger Gold recipients
  - Athletic Participants
  - Honor Roll Accomplishments
  - And other achievements
- Narrow the list to no more than 60 students
- Present this option to the students

# GRIZLead Program Introduction

- Note in the student's locker
- Invitation to join us for a meeting in cafeteria at 8am
- Current GRIZleaders welcome them into the cafeteria with applause and cheering!
- Slideshow presentation about their role as a leader. *What does this mean?*
- We give them an agreement letter to take home and calendar for the remainder of the school year
- Parents and Students sign the agreement

***Most importantly we ask them.....***





***We ask them...Are you...***

**OUTGOING**

**POSITIVE**

**Caring**

**Respectful**

**HELPFUL**

**Responsible**

**Not just a BYSTANDER  
but an UPSTANDER!**

**Accepting**

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# Selection Process

## NOW



- Student application
  - Teacher encouragement
  - No cap on student involvement
  - Present list to staff for overview and feedback
- Takes place during 7th grade
- “CUBBIE” program
- Leadership activities

# What is their role?

- ✓ To be an **ELITE** group of leaders for the GRANGER community!
- ✓ To be a ***role model*** for their peers!
- ✓ To be the support system for our incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students!
- ✓ **To be the ones that help make GRANGER a place where EVERYONE belongs!**



# How will they do this?

- Advisory Presentations
- New Student Orientations
- PACK THE HOUSE
- Morning Locker Visits with 6th grade
- Social Media Connection (*Twitter*)
- Fundraisers (*Dodging Hunger*)
- Naperville ½ Marathon (*IPEF Runner Support*)
- WE Day Conference
- End of the Year GRANGER DAY Celebration



# What's Next?

## CUBBIE PROGRAM- Began in 2016

- Students attend 3 leadership training sessions  
(*FOCUS- Upstanders-Cooperation-Presentations*)
- Once they complete the 3 leadership training classes, then each student receives their...
  - Leader Shirt
  - Necklace
  - One PAW



# Management/Communication

Twitter



Google Classroom

REMIND Text

Emails



Weekly/Bi-Weekly Meetings



Google Classroom™

# The OUTCOME

*What do we support?*



# Being RESPECTFUL

- **Anti-Bullying and Collaboration**

- *Positive “Post” Out*

- *Granger “leaves” bullying out of our school*

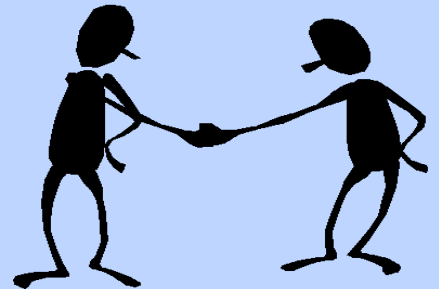
- *#wavegoodbyetobullying*

- *Steps to Stop Bullying*

- *Announcements*

- *Advisory Lessons*

RESPECT





# Being RESPONSIBLE



- **Student Learning and Good Decision Making**
  - *Partnered with Power of Choice*
  - *Advisory Lessons*
  - *Decision Making Box*
  - *Weekly Announcements*



# Being READY!



- **Ready to make a difference**
  - *Dodging Hunger Fundraiser*
    - *Dodgeball Tournament- Teachers from district schools compete*
    - *Food and donations go to Aurora Food Pantry*
  - *Leave Your 'Mark'- Random Acts of Kindness*
    - *Bookmarks for 5th Graders*

# WE R GRANGER!



# Leadership Incentives

- Shirts
- Necklace
- PAWS
- Community Service Hours
- Main Event -  
Celebration Party

