SCHUYLKILL HAVEN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are very excited at the Schuylkill Haven Area Middle School to introduce our new positive behavior recognition system, in which all of our students will have the opportunity to be acknowledged and rewarded for their positive behavior. The positive behavioral expectations outlined for our students are highlighted from the acronym "CANES", which stands for Caring, Attitude, Never giving up, Environment, and Self-respect.

When students are "caught being good" by our school's teachers and staff, our students may receive a positive highlight in the calendar section of their agenda books. For every three positive highlights earned from teachers and staff, students may receive one Hurricane Dollar. Positive highlights will be indicated with the "+ sign", the letter of the "CANES" behavior the student displayed, followed by the teacher's or staff member's initials who gave the student the positive highlight. For example, if I gave a student a positive highlight for demonstrating the behavior of "Caring", it would look like the following in the student's calendar section of his or her agenda book: "+ C (caring) AG (initials for Anthony Grazel)".

Also, students may purchase rewards from the school store everyday with their Hurricane Dollars! Some of the rewards, as chosen by the students, include first in line at lunch, free computer time during ninth period, gift certificates to local restaurants, and free ice cream/slushies in the cafeteria. (Please note that the type and price of rewards and value of the Hurricane Dollar are subject to change.) Additionally, every time a student spends one Hurricane Dollar at the school store, his or her name is entered into a drawing, per grade level, where he or she may win a grand prize! Two students' names, per grade, will be randomly drawn at the end of the school year to receive either (first name drawn per grade) a Samsung Galaxy Tablet or (second name drawn per grade) urBeats Earbud Headphones!

Again, we are very excited to start the implementation of our new positive behavior recognition system that is driven by the behavioral expectations of "CANES" (Caring, Attitude, Never giving up, Environment, and Self-Respect)! Should you want further information on our positive behavior system, please go to the Schuylkill Haven Area Middle School's website or contact me directly at the middle school. I would like to thank the PTO for dedicating the funds towards all of the monetary prizes that our students may earn from the positive behavior recognition system. Finally, I would like to thank you, the parents and guardians, for your continued support of your child's/children's education at the Schuylkill Haven Area Middle School!

Sincerely,

Middle School Principal

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