

Positive Behavior Intervention and Support PBIS

PBIS is a program which is designed to help improve the overall behavior of the student body. Unlike other systems that primarily use disciplinary action to help force positive behavior, PBIS is based on a recognition system for those students exhibiting ideal high school self conduct. We are creating a more positive, ideal, predictable, and effective school environment with this program.

Specifically, Arundel High School has implemented a program which stresses *Wildcat PRIDE*, which focuses on being Positive, Responsible, Involved, Diligent, and Efficient not just in the classroom, but in all areas of the school and community.

Students are recognized by school staff through "Pride Bucks" which provide incentives to students for positive behavior that demonstrates PRIDE. Pride Bucks can be entered in a weekly raffle in which students can be recognized by their school community. Such recognition might be a pass to the front of the lunch line at Wildcat Hour, a gift certificate to Subway, or gift cards to various stores in the community. The teacher who bestows the Pride Buck to the student also receives recognition.

Pride Bucks may also be used by students to get into the courtyards during the Wildcat Hour; one courtyard is open only to seniors and another is open to all underclassmen. Students must present the teacher on duty 5 Pride Bucks to enjoy the use of the courtyard.

We are always very appreciative of donations from parents and other members of the community as we strive to give students meaningful rewards for their efforts and behavior. Please contact Sheila Brooks at sbrooks@aacps.org if you would like to make a contribution.

Monetary donations will be utilized to purchase items for a PRIDE store that will be open during Wildcat Hour. However, we would also appreciate donations in the form of gift cards or coupons from local businesses.

**Thank you for your support
of Wildcat PRIDE!**

