

CVUSD:
DESERT MIRAGE HIGH SCHOOL

WHAT IS A “RAMGRAM”?

PBIS: SCHOOL-WIDE
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SYSTEM



WHAT?

THE “RAMGRAM”
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SYSTEM
IS A REINFORCEMENT REWARD
THAT **ALL** STUDENTS HAVE
THE OPPORTUNITY TO EARN.

THESE REWARDS ARE TO BE
USED AS REINFORCERS OF
POSITIVE AND PROSOCIAL
BEHAVIORS BASED ON OUR
SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS
MATRIX AND CLASSROOM
EXPECTATIONS.



WHY?

OUR STUDENTS DESERVE TO HAVE THEIR GOOD BEHAVIORS AND POSITIVE PRO-SOCIAL SKILLS REINFORCED BY ADULTS.

RAMGRAM'S SHOULD ONLY BE GIVEN TO STUDENTS WHO ARE DEMONSTRATING DESERT MIRAGE HIGH SCHOOL'S CORE VALUES AND EXPECTATIONS.





WHO PASSES RAMGRAM'S OUT?

ALL STAFF, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATION,
SECURITY, CAFETERIA WORKERS,
PARAEDUCATORS, ETC. SHOULD BE
REWARDING/REINFORCING WITH A
MINIMUM OF FIVE RAMGRAM'S PER WEEK.



WHEN?

RAMGRAM'S SHOULD BE GIVEN IMMEDIATELY OR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO STUDENTS WHEN A POSITIVE OR PROSOCIAL BEHAVIOR IS OBSERVED.

RAMGRAM'S CAN BE GIVEN OUT TO A STUDENT FOR SIMPLY BRINGING HIS/HER PENCIL TO SCHOOL IF THIS HAS BEEN A CHALLENGE FOR THEM IN THE PAST (BEING RESPONSIBLE); OR PERHAPS SEEING A STUDENT HOLD A DOOR OPEN FOR ANOTHER STUDENT (BEING RESPECTFUL); OR NOT RUNNING IN DURING PASSING PERIOD (BEING SAFE); ETC.

WHERE?

RAMGRAM'S SHOULD BE LINKED TO THE POSITIVE BEHAVIOR BASED ON THE **LOCATIONS** IN THE SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS MATRIX, SOCIAL SKILLS, OR YOUR CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS.



HOW?



WHEN YOU AWARD A RAMGRAM TO A STUDENT, THE STUDENT SHOULD KNOW EXACTLY WHY HE/SHE IS GETTING THE RECOGNITION. THE REASON SHOULD BE VALID AND **CONNECTED** TO THE CORE VALUES AND SCHOOL RULES: "BE SAFE, BE RESPECTFUL, BE RESPONSIBLE."

CHECK OFF ONE OF THE SCHOOL RULES ON THE RAMGRAM TO DENOTE WHICH BEHAVIOR IS BEING RECOGNIZED AND A SMALL DESCRIPTION EXPLAINING WHY.

WRITE PRESENTERS NAME IN UPPER LEFT CORNER AND THE STUDENTS FIRST AND LAST NAME, ALONG WITH STUDENT ID AND GRADE ON RIGHT SIDE OF THE RAMGRAM.

NOTE:

- Focus on **WHAT** you are giving RamGram's out for, rather than how many.
- **DO NOT** use RamGram's as coercion. "If you don't do this, I'm not giving you a RamGram."
- **Rewards and reinforcers are effective when they are:** *tied to specific behaviors, delivered soon after the behavior, age appropriate, delivered frequently and then gradually faded away.*

REWARDS:

Students have the opportunity to turn in their RamGram's for chances to win a reward every week. The more RamGram's a student turns in, the higher chances of him/her being drawn in the Friday morning raffle.

- Winners to be announced over Morning Announcements on Friday's from ASB Office.

Teachers have the opportunity to receive praise and incentives for giving RamGram's out to student's! When a student turns their RamGram's into the RamMailbox at the PBIS Bulletin Board the PBIS Committee will tally and reward a teacher for their efforts in reinforcing positive behaviors on campus.

- Teacher with most RamGram's turned in to be recognized in morning announcements and small reward bi-weekly.