Van Alstyne Middle School S.T.A.R. Program

S.T.A.R. - Students Truly Acting Responsibly

2018-2019

Purpose: To promote responsible behavior and recognize those students who exhibit that behavior. For the students to create a positive environment that fosters pride within themselves.

Every Student has the opportunity to qualify for the program every nine weeks.

Criteria (per nine weeks):

- 1. Student must have no office referrals or discipline such as before and after school detentions (or more than one lunch detention), Friday or Saturday School, etc.
- 2. Student cannot have more than three absences in any class (excused or unexcused)
- 3. Student cannot have more than one tardy to any class
- 4. Student cannot have a zero in any class

Rewards:

Each nine weeks all qualified students will receive a card that permits them to leave two minutes early for lunch. These cards will not be replaced if lost or destroyed.

Each qualified student will have the opportunity to receive special rewards and privileges such as:

- Hat days
- Homework pass
- Food treats
- Break the Dress Code days
- Possible Year End Trip (for those who earn STAR cards 3 out of the 4 nine week periods).

**If a student is sentenced to ISS at any point during the year, they are automatically ineligible to attend the end of the year trip.

Note: The S.T.A.R. committee has the authority to use their discretion at evaluating and making decisions about any unusual circumstances that may or may not determine student eligibility for this program.

Students who enroll during the school year:

- **To be eligible to receive a STAR card, students who move in during a nine weeks period must be here for at least half of that nine weeks period.
- **To be eligible for the end of the year trip, students who are here the entire year must earn 3 out of the 4 possible STAR cards. Students who are here 3 nine weeks periods must earn all 3, and all other students must be enrolled for a minimum of two full nine weeks periods and receive STAR cards for both periods.