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Central Valley Middle School - BRAVE WARRIOR Program

One of the main components of the Central Valley Middle School PBIS program is our BRAVE Warrior leadership group. Our BRAVE Warrior program begins with an application process in which students apply to be an 8th-grade leader, role model, and mentor to our incoming 6th-grade students. The BRAVE Warriors display a variety of the characteristics of an exemplary student which include leadership, kindness, empathy, and they are helpful to teachers and peers. They must also be in good academic standing and maintain good attendance. BRAVE Warriors must also be committed to our school's BRAVE expectations which are **B**e Safe, **R**esponsible, **A**chievement, **V**alues, and **E**ngagement.

There are several responsibilities that our BRAVE Warriors commit to in preparation for the upcoming school year as well as during the school year. At the end of their 7th grade year and during the summer going into their 8th grade year, students attend several training sessions to prepare for their role as a BRAVE Warrior during the next school year. They learn about good communication practices, leadership, and how to serve as a student ambassador for the school. During the summer they focus on several duties to prepare for the upcoming school year, and they plan the roll out of our BRAVE Expecations as well asour schoolwide PBIS Kickoff. BRAVE Warriors help prepare the school for the return of students by decorating the hallway and gym with the BRAVE expectations and positive school spirit and inspirational messages. Before the school year starts, the BRAVE Warriors also update and finalize a scavenger hunt for our incoming 6th grade orientationand make our BRAVE expectation videos that are shown during the opening week during our advisory period. Lastly, they plan skits and organize our opening week Kick-Off Assembly.

Once the year is up and running, the BRAVE Warriors meet monthly to review our Advisory lessons. They team teach and work with their assigned 6th grade Advisory groups on team-building activities, anti-bullying, and character education lessons under the supervision of a 6th grade advisor. The BRAVE Warriors put on our annual Warrior Games which take place on the half day before Thanksgiving and Christmas break. At the end of the year, the group completes a survey on strengths and considerations to continue to improve our program. Some of the group members will assist in the training of the new incoming group for the following year.

The BRAVE Warrior Program has been an essential part of our PBIS program for the past seven years, and we always look forward to seeing what our new group of BRAVE Warriors bring to the table to continue to improve and refine our program.

Please see the attached presentation for more information.

Central Valley MS SWPBIS BRAVE Warrior Program presentation

Please feel free to contact either Brian Dolph or Kayse Hicks with any questions.