

Student Advisory Board

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Who are your people?

- Parents
- Cousins
- Sisters and brothers
- Friends
- Bosses
- Coaches
- Teachers
- Grandparents
- Youth group leaders
- Family friends
- Neighbors
- Aunts and uncles

Why are they your people?

- See the best in you
- Sympathize
- Problem solve with you, don't just fix problems
- Help you see a different point of view
- Understanding
- Know you and know how you work
- Care about your success
- Easy to talk to
- Listen and are interested
- Don't judge
- Have experience in failure
- Listen
- Trustworthy

How can people show that they are there for you?

- Offer support
- Ask personal questions, care about answers
- Check in frequently
- Ask about what is good and bad in your life
- Get to know you
- Value you as a person

Do they know they are your people?

- Some don't know their impact
- We don't let them know – embarrassed/intimate
- We need a mechanism to share our appreciation
- Maybe we could create "You are my person" cards

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What do adults do or not do that make you want/not want to come to school?

WANT to come to school:

- Free day/work day
- Understand that sometimes kids miss school
- Alter lesson plans for different learning styles
- Make learning active
- Let loose – let us see your personality
- Choice of test dates
- Question of the day – get to know us
- Check in on personal issues
- Clear expectations
- Let you know you are missed
- Recognize that kids have lives outside of school
- Energetic
- Relationship building
- Encourage students to engage with each other
- Safe (example given - not showing bias against a person based on their sexual orientation)
- Problem solve with you

NOT WANT to come to school:

- Treat as young adults, not small children
- Don't degrade with answers/talk down to students
- Don't teach anything, require it to be all self-directed
- Say things like "figure it out" or "read the directions"
- Inflexible
- Teachers on phone texting/calling during class
- Sitting on computer
- Add stress and pressure
- Get frustrated when students miss class for school issues
- Multiple tests on same days (Ellis coordinates)
- Call out when they didn't raise hand