

Teacher Appreciation Week

May 6-10, 2024



#ThankATeacher

Post your #TeacherAppreciationWeek photos and make sure to #ThankATeacher



Teachers Go Above & Beyond for Children

Teaching is a challenging and rewarding career. Teachers are devoted, imaginative, and skilled at making a positive difference in children's lives.

Teachers go above and beyond so that children can soar! We respect teachers and thank them for the time, effort, training, and talent they use to educate Ohio's children!

Ways Parents Can #ThankATeacher

- Bring blenders, fruits, milk, yogurt, etc. for a smoothie bar. Create a sign: "Thanks berry much for teaching our children!"
- Organize a car wash fundraiser to raise money for a teacher's supply fund. Wash teachers' cars for free.
- Send the administrator of your child's program a letter detailing what you appreciate about your child's teacher.
- Lend a helping hand in your child's classroom:
 - Offer to clean the classroom, help organize, or make copies.
 - Volunteer to read a book to the class. Some great choices are:
 - *Thank You, Teacher from The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle
 - *Why We Need Teachers* by Gregory E. Lang and Lisa Alseron

Ways Programs Can #ThankATeacher

- Tell families it's teacher appreciation week.
- Video children thanking their teachers. Compile the videos into one, add music, and share.
- Call radio shows and ask for a shout out to your great teachers!
- Have a "kids dress like a teacher and teachers dress like a kid" day.
- Ask families to bake cakes. Let the teachers have a cake walk at the end of the day.
- Ask area merchants, businesses, and community groups to provide thank you notes and/or items for your teachers.
- Decorate the school with "Teachers Go Above and Beyond!" posters. Include each teacher's picture, name, fun facts about the teacher, and balloons.

Ways to Help Children #ThankATeacher

- Teach your child to thank their teacher at the end of every day.
- Your child can make a flat heart shape out of playdough. Let it dry. Glue a magnet to the back. Have your child give the heart magnet to their teacher with a note that says, "Thanks for sharing your big heart!"
- If the program has a chain link fence, help children use cups to create a thank you message on the fence.
- Organize an after school "trunk or treat for teachers." Help children decorate their vehicle trunks, or wagons with thank you signs. Children can pass out treats or classroom supplies to the teachers. Cheer for the teachers as they collect their goodies.

"Those that know, do. Those that understand, teach."

Aristotle