

# WILLOUGHBY-EASTLAKE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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South High School

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#### Dear Local Businesses:

Willoughby South High School is participating in an important district and state-wide initiative: Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS). It is our Rebel Way!

### What is Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports?

PBIS is a process for creating safer and more effective schools. It includes school-wide strategies for helping all students achieve important social and learning goals. We know that when good behavior and good teaching come together, our students will excel in their learning. The process focuses on improving a school's ability to teach and support positive behavior for all students. As part of the PBIS program, we will establish several clear rules for the behavior we expect in all areas of our school. We will explicitly teach those expectations to the students and reward them frequently with positive reinforcements for their behavior.

#### What is PBIS at South High School?

We have worked as a school building to create our Rebel Way, which promotes Respect, Responsibility, and Readiness to Learn. You will see this posted throughout our buildings. In common areas, such as hallways, cafeteria, and bathrooms, behavior expectations will be posted as well. Students will be learning the expectations throughout the remainder of the school year and will participate in activities to reinforce these target areas often.

## How can you help?

We are interested in providing students positive reinforcements that will also engage and support the community and local businesses in the process. We are looking for any type of donation big or small to help support this important initiative; see the attached menu of items needed for specific examples of the types of things that we are looking for. In return, we will thank you in regular communication to family and staff and share information about students enjoying the reinforcements on the school's social media platforms.

If you are interested in supporting our efforts, please contact Jessica Sinkovic, PBIS Building Coach, at 440-283-4541 or Jennifer Neumeyer, Assistant Principal, at 440-975-3626. If you are interested in learning more about PBIS, you can visit www.pbis.org. We believe that by helping students practice good behavior, we will build a community where all students have an environment where they can succeed and grow.

Thank you,

**Building Principal** 

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