



LION TALES

Sutter Creek Lions Donate \$400 to the Sutter Creek Elementary School

Our September dinner meeting was held at Hanford Courte in Sutter Creek. After dinner, Sutter Creek Elementary School Principal Sean Snider accepted a check for \$400 that will be used to purchase prizes for their new "Positive Behavior Incentive Program".



Schools across the country are implementing this program. Research has shown that encouraging positive behavior by rewarding it rather than threatening consequences for negative behavior produces better results. All school staff met last year to identify the expected behaviors for each different area of the school (recess, office, library, hallways, etc.).

Each day teachers have been teaching the expected behaviors for one of these areas to the students. When a student is seen by any staff member following an expected behavior, they are issued a "Pawsitive" (the school mascot is the wolverine). All Pawsitives are put into a daily drawing and one student at each campus wins a prize. This student's picture is then taken and posted on a bulletin board with their Pawsitive. Students are enjoying the excitement this has created, and staff is noticing good overall behavior. Be sure to check out the "Pawsitive Winner" bulletin boards at each campus.

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