

**Welcome to
West Allegheny Middle School**

PRIDE IN MYSELF

SAFE • RESPONSIBLE • RESPECTFUL



PRIDE IN MY SCHOOL

Indian Pride

Positive **B**ehavior **S**upport **S**ystem

*2017-2018
Community Guide*

*We show our Indian Pride when we are safe, responsible,
and respectful community members.*

PRIDE IN MYSELF PRIDE IN MY SCHOOL

West Allegheny Middle School is a member of the *Positive Behavior Support Network*-a system that works with over 300 schools in the Commonwealth. 'PBIS' is an approach for creating and maintaining safe and effective learning environments for your child and ensuring that all students have the social/emotional skills needed to ensure their success at school and beyond.

At West Allegheny Middle School, we have '*Pride in Ourselves*' and '*Pride in our School*'. This pride is shown through three core areas:

Being Safe
Being Responsible
Being Respectful

Our *Indian Pride* system is starting its second year at WAMS. Last year, over 1,000 recognition 'tickets' were issued to our students for demonstrating our core values in the hallways of our school building. This year, we are expanding our system to include our pride in the school cafeteria.

PBIS is a system that involves our whole school community. This includes our non-teaching staff and our parents. We hope you can take the time to become familiar with our expectations. Should you visit WAMS, we will have opportunities for you to participate in the program, too.

Be Safe.

I will prevent harm to myself and others.

We show our Indian Pride when we are safe, responsible, and respectful school community members.

How the **INDIAN PRIDE** system works...

Students are introduced to our system through fun and engaging lessons that demonstrate our expectations and our rewards.

Every staff member has been trained to effectively implement the systems through school-wide professional development sessions.

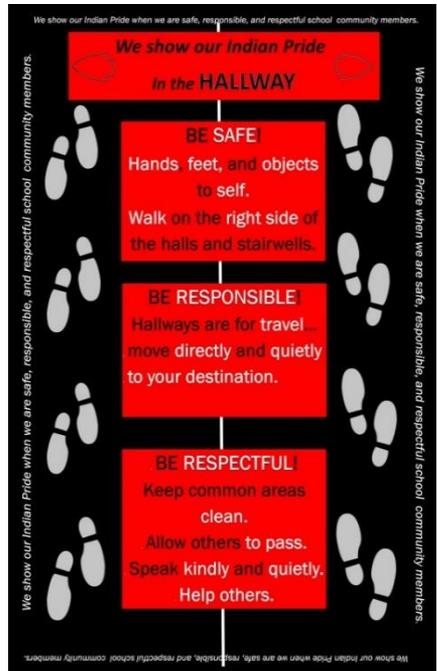
Students are rewarded in a variety of ways when they show their **Indian Pride**:

In the **HALLWAYS**

When a staff member observes a student demonstrating one of our hallway expectations, the student is issued an *Indian Pride* ticket. This ticket is brought to the Student Services office during the student's lunch period.

Students sign the Indian Pride 'Book of Champions' and place their ticket on the grid outside of the office. When the grid is full, students are randomly selected to win a variety of prizes.

All tickets submitted throughout the school year are entered for the Grand Prize raffle which is drawn at our 'End of the Year' School Assembly.



In the **CAFETERIA** (new in 2017-2018)...

Students observed being safe, responsible, and respectful in the cafeteria are eligible to earn *Indian Pride* tickets to place on the grid outside of the Student Services office.

Grade levels earn daily stars for their positive behavior in the cafeteria. Grade levels earning 8 or more stars are eligible for rewards such as 'free phone days' or 'DJ' for our jukebox.

As our school year progresses, stay tuned for special announcements and activities related to our Indian Pride system.

Should you have any questions about our system, please contact Student Services or one of our Administrators for additional information.

To learn more about *Pennsylvania's Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports System*, please visit:

www.papbs.org

We show our Indian Pride when we are safe, responsible, and respectful school community members.

We show our Indian Pride in the **CAFETERIA**

Be SAFE!

- Hands, feet, and objects to yourself.
- If you see something, say something!

Be RESPONSIBLE!

- Move directly and quietly to your destination.
- Have your ID ready.

WA

Be RESPECTFUL!

- Clean up after yourself.
- Speak kindly and quietly.
- Include others.

We show our Indian Pride when we are safe, responsible, and respectful school community members.

Be Respectful.

I look out for the best interests of others.

We show our Indian Pride when we are safe, responsible, and respectful school community members.