

CI3T High School Student Perspective

Hi I'm Katie. I'm a junior at _____ School and last year I had the opportunity to be on the CI3T team that was going through training at my school. As a student team member the first thing we did was we received different settings and some of those were hallways others were the classroom or cafeteria commons area things like that and we identified some concerns that we had in each of those areas and then we came up with positive phrases that would show students how they should act in those areas and try to prevent those problems from happening. Also, on the student team we came up with ideas for reinforcers that we thought all students would really enjoy that they could have a chance to win a purchase with their tickets throughout the year. Our teachers taught us the expectations by going through the PowerPoint and there is one setting lesson per class and the most successful ones were the teachers who really open it up for discussion and they let students talk about some issues that they see and practice how we can say positive things to our peers to help those actions not continue. Now that CI3T has been in our school for almost a semester now. We can really see some teachers using the tickets every day. One example, a teacher of mine like there's a student in the class who was struggling to get their homework in on time every day and so they did it on time one time. So he would go over and give them a ticket and thank them for their effort. Its things like that that have made students more comfortable in the teachers' rooms. They don't really worry so much if the teacher doesn't like them or anything because there is still positive reinforcement from every teacher we can use our tickets to enter into a drawing or we can buy things with them every Friday at lunch there is usually an announcement on Monday saying who won items from the last week or if it's a parking pass to get a special parking space it's just delivered to you in class and they also typically either announced the items for the following week where they tell you to go check on the stairs under the stairs which is where are drawing pins are especially with the bigger prizes. Some students who maybe weren't earning so many tickets really made them want to work harder and get some more tickets so they can have a chance of those prizes and then there were many students who had the tickets but don't take the time to look at the drawing so certainly don't think it was worth it to even bother using them and then they realized I should be using these I should be entering the drawings. I think there's a lot more positivity between teachers and students because it does get really stressful especially in high school and it just helps it to not be so negative.