

Spirit of Excellence

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A dark blue diagonal graphic that starts from the bottom left corner and extends towards the top right corner, creating a triangular shape in the bottom right of the page.

Icebreaker

1. Coke or Pepsi
2. Dog or Cat
3. Starbucks or Dunkin
4. Pizza or Tacos
5. iPhone or Android
6. Chocolate or Vanilla
7. Netflix or Hulu
8. Instagram or Snapchat
9. Cookies or Brownies
10. Toilet Paper Over or Under

About us...



- 3 time Spirit of Excellence winner in the last 4 years
- 3 different schools.
- Student Council Career began in 5th grade
- Probably going to UWL to do something with engineering?

About us continued...



- Spirit of Excellence winner
(1/1)
- Started my middle school's
Student Council in 6th grade
- Will be attending
UW-Milwaukee next fall to
study English Education

What is the Spirit of Excellence?

- 40+ page application documenting your school's excellence.
- Consists of 3 Dimensions
 - Service
 - Sportsmanship
 - Leadership
 - 5 sub-categories
- Each Dimension has its own requirements
- Service and Sportsmanship Dimensions require reflections
- Should refrain from Student Council events

Spirit of Excellence

Service to School
and Community

Spirit and
Sportsmanship

Leadership

1. 5 programs
2. 5 descriptions
3. 5 "Artifacts"
4. 5 Reflections

ACADEMIC
Achievements

ATHLETIC
Achievements

Fine Arts
Achievements

Leadership
OUTSIDE of
School

Dedication to
Lowering the
Achievement Gap

1. Documentation of 5
2. Description
3. EX: Girls State title = 1
EX: Conference Champs

1. 10+ different "venues"
2. DETAILED Descrip.
3. EX: Badger Boys/Girls

1. 5 programs
2. 5 descriptions
3. 5 "Artifacts"
4. 5 Reflections
5. State Officials Report

1. Documentation of 5
2. Description
3. EX: Honor Roll: 15 students

1. Doc. of 5
2. Description
3. EX: State S&E

1. 5 different "programs"
2. **Description of <150**
3. **TIMELINE for each!!**
4. EX: Tutoring Program

How do I fill out a SOE page?

Spirit of Excellence Award

Service Dimension

School and Community

Project Name: _

Authored by:

Number of Students Participating:

Number of People Affected:

Description of Activity (150 words or less):

Reflection on Activity (150 words or less):

What you may do differently/or the same in the future

Service to School and Community Dimension

4. Achievement: Food For Kidz

Written By: Savanna Jemilo and Ashlyn Sarbacker

Number of Students Involved: 250

Description of Achievement:

Food 4 Kidz is an organization that allows people all around the United States make a difference. They bring attention to the hunger problems around the world and show that anyone can make an impact. They bring a mobile unit to a community that wants to help and shows them how to package meals for people around the world who need it. After the people of the community have packaged the food they deliver it to people who have just overcome a crisis; like natural disasters, wars, etc. Food 4 Kidz came to Stoughton, and there were over 12 groups from the high school that volunteered including: Football, Norwegian Dancers, Dance Team, Wrestling team, Student Senate, Key Club, etc. Community members also came and helped. Stoughton came together and made 200,000 meals for people in need.

Reflection on Activity:

This year, Food 4 Kidz was a fun, well-organized service event that went very smoothly. One thing that went well was the Sign-up Genius that was used to allow organizations to sign-up to package the meals prior to the event. It was in two shifts and there were lots of volunteers to help in each. Another aspect of this event that went well was the organization and setup for the packing of the meals. Everyone was assigned a job and it ran smoothly. Something we found may make the process run smoother is having multiple "trainers" in the beginning. Originally, there has been 1 individual who has taught everyone how to package everything. The thought is if there are multiple trainers who instruct more than 1 group at a time, we will be able to process all of the donated food more efficiently and effectively.

Stoughton Rotary sponsors
the 6th Annual

Food for Kidz

Saturday, October 20th, 2018
at the Stoughton Fire Station

HELP US MAKE
200,000 Meals

all in one morning: 8:00 or 10:30

Call 873-8502

to reserve your spot.



Service Example

Sportsmanship Example



Sportsmanship Dimension

4. Achievement: WIAA Sportsmanship Award

Written By: Hannah Wirag

Number of Students Involved: 400+ (all athletics)

Description of Achievement:

During the Fall of 2018, Stoughton High School received the Award of Excellence for the second time. This means that our Athletic director filled out an application explaining why Stoughton deserved the award. The criteria includes things such as: Meetings with captains, coaches, and parents; having sportsmanship meetings and announcements; having representation at WIAA meetings; giving back and volunteering; courses for the coaches; and no ejections or suspensions in games. This award shows that our school exhibits a high level of sportsmanship, ethics, and integrity throughout each school year.

Reflection of Achievement:

Our school is very honored to have received this award. As a community we like to represent ourselves as having an outstanding and respectful group of students, athletes, and coaches. This award is a representation of the effort put forth to make sure our school is recognized as having outstanding sportsmanship. The award provides proof of all the little things Stoughton is proud of. The teachers, coaches, administration, and the student body as a whole are very proud of the great ways we have shown exceptional sportsmanship, which has earned us this award. For future years to continue receiving this award, our student section can focus on sticking to the most appropriate cheers as possible and to straying away from calling out specific players, and refraining from politics. Also, encouraging the freshman to be as loud as possible can help assist in increasing the volume of student section cheering.

Leadership Example

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Leadership Dimension

Development In & Outside School Achievement

11. Achievement: FFA National Convention

Written By: Ashlyn Sarbacker

Description of Achievement:

National FFA Convention is located in Indianapolis, Indiana at the end of October annually. The convention is hosted by the National FFA Chapter. The convention brings almost every High School FFA Chapter in the US. At the National FFA Convention, there are motivational speakers that come and speak and a Trade Show where there are many agriculture jobs such as John Deere, or Purina. Many businesses come and advertise their company and recruit people. Other things that are available to do during the convention are, tour farms or business, attend the concerts, buy FFA clothing, and meet other FFA Chapters. The National FFA Association offers awards and scholarships to FFA members and officers. Some of these awards and scholarships are awarded at national convention, and along with your [chapters](#) banquets. If you have the opportunity to attend the convention, I would recommend going.

What are reflections?

- **A key component of the final application and should include:**
 - 1 sentence recap of event
 - What you plan to add next year
 - What went well?
 - What can be improved upon?
 - HOW you plan to improve it!!!

Reflection on Activity:

Santa's Workshop is amazing for kids of all ages to participate in. Something that went excellent was the preparation of all the different crafts. Each activity was planned exceptionally and fun to create for the kids and adults, too! Face painting made all of the kids jump with joy, as well as having Santa and Mrs. Claus made the experience extra special. Next year, we plan to continue the same crafts along with cookie decorating. An improvement we could make for next time is having the flow of the activities run more smoothly. We would do this by rearranging the layout. This would make it easier for people to visit each booth more efficiently. Also, if we could encourage more students to volunteer so both of the shifts could be evenly covered. Overall, this was a great event that brought the community together.

PRO TIPS!!!

- Try to have 6-12 members help with a good mix of 9th-12tg graders
- Have the club or program leaders write the descriptions for you
- Choose events that affect the most amount of people
- Read the rules OVER AND OVER to ensure clarity
- Should refrain from Student Council events
- Use pre-made templates at wasc.org

Region 5 Winners!



Thank You!



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