

## **Leadership Activity**

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### **STARTING YOUR YEAR OFF RIGHT**

#### **PLANNING RETREAT**

Each summer our ASB officers attend a Planning Retreat for a weekend. We always choose a location out of town so that we can stay focused on our tasks. We plan the school year activities and discuss possible fundraising and community service events. We also find that this gives a chance to bond and to develop a "team" attitude!

#### **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

On the first day of school, our ASB officers and Senior Class Officers help with distributing student class locator cards. This gives the ASB Officers an opportunity to "meet and greet" students. In the afternoon, we also have a "Welcome Rally" with introductory speeches by ASB Officers, a welcome address by our principal and Activities Director. We view a short DVD of Student Activities to encourage students to become involved in various clubs, sports and campus organizations. As the students depart the gym, we distribute candy with motivational quotes!

#### **CLUB AWARENESS DAY**

During the second week of school, we host a Club Awareness Day during lunch to allow students the opportunity to find out about various school clubs and organizations. Each club is invited to set-up a booth in the quad and distribute information, play games, give out prizes, and take sign-ups for membership. The Senior Class hosts a barbecue as their first fundraiser of the year during the event to encourage students to stay on campus and join in the fun! Club Advisors have found that their membership has increased dramatically as a result of the event!