Leadership Activity
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The "Black Box" aka the "Dummy Box"
Overview: This is a year long activity that is a good year in review activity at an ASB Banquet. In ASB, funny things happen constantly. The "Black Box" is just a collecting place for those funny occurrences.
Step 1: Have the wood shop build a box with a hasp and lock for the lid and a slot on top. It's like a ballot box. Paint it black (or school colors if you prefer).
Step 2: All year long, as funny things happen, any student can write it up on a slip of paper and place it in the box. The advisor should do this too.
Step 3: Screen the entries. Before the ASB Banquet, the advisor should open the box in private and discard any insulting or hurtful remarks that may have been placed in the box.
Step 4: At the culminating ASB Banquet, ceremoniously open the box. Then, the ASB Advisor and the ASB President take turns reaching into the box and reading aloud the situation to the ASB.
Remarks: This is a very funny way to review the year. It's all in good humor (with inappropriate comments screened), and kids look forward to it.