

Welcoming/Acknowledging Ideas

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1. Provide Offices Supplies (e.g., blotter, stapler, etc.)
2. Give small gift of appreciation (e.g., plant)
3. Give a card with a welcoming or acknowledging message
4. Make sure the paraeducator has his/her own space (e.g., desk, shelf)
5. Take/make time to spend with the paraeducator
6. Provide a notebook for the paraeducator with essential information
7. Send a letter to parents informing them that you have a paraeducator
8. Take new paraeducators on a personal tour of the school
9. Leave post-it notes for the paraeducator with acknowledging messages
10. Introduce paraeducators to other adults in the building
11. Pass along positive comments from parents, administrators
12. Include in holiday celebrations (e.g., Valentine's Day)
13. Establish a time to meet regularly with paraeducators
14. Celebrate paraeducator birthdays
15. Paraeducator Appreciation Day (might be in conjunction with Teachers)
16. Ask parents if they would like to write a note of appreciation
17. Give paraeducators halos (they chose to wear it or not)
18. Provide button, hat, or t-shirt with a great saying
19. Outline the student and have students fill in with words/pictures
20. Include paraeducators on staff/faculty bulletin board with photo/info