All About the House Point System



Why house points? We have created a schoolwide culture of recognizing exemplary students while also helping ALL students to contribute to their school team. Being a part of a house helps each and EVERY student be accounted for and have a sense of belonging. It also encourages children to engage and congratulate each other versus competing for points for themselves only.

We will be using the house point system in tandem with other awards on campus that we have already committed to for our students for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

All awards (Super Stallion, Student of the Quarter, Duke and Duchess, etc.) will stay the same at this time.

House points will not be directly correlated with the students' individual DOJO points, and is not a 1:1 point correspondence, rather, points given are for exceptional student achievement and will go into a separate house point bank that will be updated in real time daily that our students can see. The house team dojo classes are only accessible by the 4 house leaders. House leaders will have the ability to award 6 wheel spins per week and in that way, also will contribute to those house points. For example, Billy gets Stallion of the Quarter, so he gets to go and spin the wheel. He has an opportunity to earn whatever points he spins for his house. Those points aren't added to his individual class dojo, but rather his house team's dojo.

Students can earn an opportunity to spin the wheel (and therefore have a chance at earning points) through the following:

House Point Opportunities

- Academic awards (all A's or all E's only)
- Stallion of the Quarter
- Duke and Duchess of DOJO
- Super Stallion Award
- 1 spin ticket given randomly from miscellaneous staff members weekly
- 6 spin tickets from house leaders weekly (given at leaders' discretion)
- Any other awards given (TedX, STEM fair, All County Chorus, and any other notable school awards)

Students with "Spin Tickets" are called down to spin the wheel each Monday @ 8:45am-9:15am in the Administration Hallway (Shown on SMES Facebook Live). Other awards are celebrated throughout the week.

Other information

- House points are a big deal! We make them a big deal, and the kids LOVE it!
- We display house points in the cafeteria for students to see how many points their team has earned on Monday's and Friday's.
- House shirts are available for sale through the PTA for students & parents.
- Individual houses meet once a month on (Early Release Days) with all of their house members.