

## **Suggested Alternative Celebration Activities/Ideas**

### **Birthdays**

#### ***Elementary School Students:***

- ✓ Recognition during morning announcements and/or class meeting
- ✓ Special job assignment (line leader, teacher's helper, etc.)
- ✓ No homework pass/less homework
- ✓ Special seat at teacher's desk or next to a friend
- ✓ Picture with class
- ✓ Birthday book – each peer writes something nice about the student
- ✓ Fishbowl of prizes – student picks a pencil, small prize, etc.
- ✓ Class celebration – dance party or extra recess, etc.
- ✓ Teacher or parent reads special book picked by student
- ✓ “Show and Tell” – student shares favorite things, baby pictures, etc.

#### ***Middle School Students:***

- ✓ Recognition during morning announcements and/or class meeting
- ✓ Homework pass/less homework
- ✓ Special seat at teacher's desk or next to a friend
- ✓ Picture with class
- ✓ Birthday book – each peer writes something nice about the student
- ✓ Fishbowl of prizes – student picks a pencil, small prize, etc.
- ✓ “Show and Tell” – student shares favorite things, baby pictures, etc.
- ✓ Permission to eat lunch outside

### **Student/Class Rewards**

#### ***Elementary School Students:***

- ✓ Express pass for lunch line
- ✓ Treasure chest – stickers, magnets, tattoos, etc.
- ✓ Designation as peer reader(s) to a younger class/student
- ✓ Extra time at recess
- ✓ Movie
- ✓ Theme day – wear pajamas, bring stuffed animal
- ✓ Game day
- ✓ Dance party

#### ***Middle School Students:***

- ✓ Express pass for lunch line
- ✓ Treasure chest – stickers, magnets, tattoos, etc.
- ✓ Dance party
- ✓ Movie
- ✓ No homework pass