

Discovery Middle School

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**** A Four Star Blue Ribbon School ****

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We have been extremely fortunate to be associated with the 5 Star After School Club at Discovery during 2005/2006. Throughout the year, we have had close to 120 students participate in the program during the three sessions offered by 5 Star. Students involved with this activity are exposed to numerous opportunities that support positive decision-making processes, as well as character growth and development. Success is achieved throughout the program by building relationships.

Justin and Seth Maust are the program facilitators and creators. Both of these gentlemen have a passion for "coaching kids" and helping them make the right choices. The staff utilized by 5 Star is carefully selected and possesses these beliefs as well. Everyone displays enthusiasm with the opportunity and desire to be a "positive force" in the lives of young people. Staff members don't preach, judge, or assume. Interaction is based from the heart and this appeals to the students involved.

Activities range greatly during the 5 Star sessions throughout the year. Interest in the program never drops with respect to student participation. Students look forward on a weekly basis to participate in the 5 Star afternoons and they speak highly of the program offerings. The activities are organized, well through out, and meaningful. An actual curriculum is followed to implement the 5 Star Program that Justin, or Seth are able to can share at anytime with interested schools and individuals.

Based on what has transpired this past school year, I would highly recommend the 5 Star program for your students. Adolescents need guidance, direction, and relationships with adults. The people of 5 Star provide opportunities for kids to experience this and more. When you talk with 5 Star Staff you will be able to see, hear, and feel what I am talking about as well. Please contact me if you have any questions and I will try to answer them for you.



Doug Chaffee
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Educating students to become responsible, contributing citizens.

All Students will read at grade level by the end of third grade.

All students will do math at grade level by the end of third grade.

All tenth grade students will demonstrate mastery of the proficiencies of the Graduation Qualifying Exam.