

## Current Events

### Schools Pay Students to Learn

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1. What is an incentive?
2. What is capitalism?
3. Do all students need incentives from parents/teachers to motivate them to learn?
4. Are bigger allowances, gold stars, candy, etc. sufficient motivation for some students?
5. What is the difference between parents paying their children money for academic achievements and schools paying them?
6. Is it OK for schools to pay students if their parents cannot afford to? Is this fair to all students? What about students whose parents could afford to pay but choose not to? What about the students who are self-motivated learners?
7. What is the difference between motivation and bribery?
8. Do you think that cash rewards for learning would instill the wrong values in kids?
9. Would cash incentives be effective in your school? Would they have a lasting impact on student achievement?
10. Does it matter whether cash incentives are paid for by private donations or with tax dollars?

1. An incentive is a motivation, usually in pay, to complete a certain task.
2. Capitalism is a form of government of which we live in with a society which has competing businesses which help run the economy. The thought is that the harder you work the more you can make.
3. No, students do not necessarily need to pay students to get them to learn. The motivation is simply that if you get good grades, you will have a higher paying or better job.
4. Yes, for me, gold stars, candy, and allowance is a good enough incentive
5. Parents paying kids is more accepted, if schools started paying kids, we would have a corrupt society.
6. If schools were paying kids for good grades it would be fair just the way our society is fair, in that the harder you work the more you earn.
7. Motivation is not necessarily with a tangible reward. When I hear bribery I think of paying for motivation.
8. No I don't think that it would corrupt kids if they were paid for school. It would simply simulate real life situations.
9. I do not think that Radnor students would like cash incentives too well. We are too wealthy a district for ten dollars or so to make a difference.
10. Tax dollars make it a waste of money, it is just like forcing all adults to pay their kids, while a private donation would be better.