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Schools Pay Students to Learn

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1. What is an incentive? Something to help motivate people.
2. What is capitalism? A profit motive.
3. Do all students need incentives from parents/teachers to motivate them to learn? It matters on the school and the life of the child.
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? They should choose if they want to go to school. No they should choose to go school we shouldn't have to motivate them through money.
7. What is the difference between motivation and bribery? Bribery is something that you something that you are able to give up. Motivation is confidence to continue on.
8. Do you think that cash rewards for learning would instill the wrong values in kids? Yes because when they get a job, all they will be wondering about is how much the job pays. Also, they don't know how to manage their money so when they grow up they will be broke.
9. Would cash incentives be effective in your school? Would they have a lasting impact on student achievement? Yes, they would because it is a big motivation for students to work harder and focus more on their studies.
10. Does it matter whether cash incentives are paid for by private donations or with tax dollars? Private donations will be more effective because you are paying the student not subtracting from their taxes.

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