

THE BEAD SYSTEM FOR POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT

The purpose of distributing beads is to *positively reinforce good behavior through instant recognition*. Beads should never be given frivolously! (I.e. you like the way the smile OR for expected behavior like being a good boy or girl) Students should always know why they have earned a bead. Staff members need to keep the system consistent. There will be enough beads for students to earn one of each color. *Staff members are encouraged to buy their own special beads as long as they are NOT the same beads as listed below. Teachers are also encouraged to bring special beads to recognize students, the students consider teacher beads as special recognition.* You should purchase different colors and/or different shapes than the ones listed below as to not dilute the purpose of certain beads.

- ❖ **Red (Fire Drill Bead)** – Given on the first day after the students have successfully completed the fire drill.
- ❖ **Light Blue (Water Bottle Recycling Bead)** – Given on Friday before students leave for turning in their empty water bottle for recycling.
- ❖ **Glow in the Dark Bead (OORT Bead)** – Given to the entire dining hall or school group for meeting or beating the OORT goal for a particular meal.
- ❖ **Gold Sparkle Bead (Clean Cabin Award)** – Given by the Directors to cabins who had their cabin areas clean all week and various times, and emergency exits not blocked.
- ❖ **Heart Shaped (Medic Bead)** – Given by the Medic Staff to students
- ❖ **Various (Teacher Bead)** – Given by the Teachers to their students and sometimes to the staff.
- ❖ **Teddy Bear Shaped (Director's Bead)** – Given by the Directors for various reasons including dining hall inspection, conservation practices and to staff role models.
- ❖ **Animal Shaped Beads** – Given out during Dance Night to those who try hard and have fun.
- ❖ **Butterfly Shaped Beads** – Beads for special student recognition by Cabin Leaders
- ❖ **Flower Shaped Beads** – Beads for special student recognition by Naturalists

