



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

EVENT IDEAS/ACTIVITIES

THE ULTIMATE FEAST

Have students draw or describe their ultimate Thanksgiving dinner. Display their finished artwork and descriptions around your cafeteria.

THANKSGIVING "DINNER"

Give students the chance to celebrate Thanksgiving with their friends by hosting a traditional Thanksgiving-themed lunch with all their favorite sides.

WHAT ARE YOU THANKFUL FOR?

For this activity, simply have students write a list of all the things they are thankful for during this special time of the year. Ask students to hand in their lists when they are done so you can post them for all to see.

CAN WE HELP?

Have students bring in their favorite non-perishable Thanksgiving foods to be donated to a local shelter. Set a goal for the amount of food donations raised and hold a special party if the students meet or exceed this goal.

TURKEY HANDS!

Have teachers draw and decorate hand turkeys. Let students guess which one belongs to each teacher. The student(s) with the most correct answers gets a prize or a healthy treat.

THANKSGIVING COLORING SHEETS

Download and print Thanksgiving coloring sheets found on the Internet. Distribute to all students and ask that they return them when complete so you can post them for all to see.

TURKEY DAY FOOTBALL

Have students throw plush footballs into empty baskets decorated with paper turkeys. Place the baskets at increasingly difficult distances. Students who get footballs in all of the baskets get a prize or healthy treat.

PILGRIM/NATIVE AMERICAN SERVERS

Have your staff dress up in Pilgrim-style and Native American-style outfits. This is a fun way to get everyone in the Thanksgiving spirit!

PIN THE HAT ON THE TURKEY

Here's a twist on the classic "Pin the Tail on the Donkey." Post a large cutout or picture of a turkey on a chalkboard and have students try to place a pilgrim hat on the turkey's head. Adhere two small magnets on the back of the turkey hat so students can try over and over again.

THANKSGIVING QUIZ

Create an easy Thanksgiving themed quiz for students. Place short paper quizzes at each table and award a prize or healthy treat to each student who answers all questions correctly. Have someone volunteer to check the answer sheets as your students complete them.

WACKY LEFTOVERS

Have students write down things they could do with their Thanksgiving leftovers. Let students be creative and come up with ideas that range from realistic to truly wacky! Ask students to hand in their ideas when they are done so you can post them for all to see. Award students for the "Most Thoughtful", "Most Artistic" and "Silliest" ideas. Give the winners fun prizes or healthy treats.