

# 12 Days of Cheer: A Winter Countdown to Responsibility

## Overview:

Celebrate the season by spreading “responsible cheer” across your school community! For 12 days in December, invite students and staff to complete joyful, winter-themed tasks that build responsibility, encourage care for shared spaces, and uplift one another.

Each day introduces a lighthearted but meaningful action that helps students practice responsibility with a purpose—from tidying up to showing up on time, all with a snowflake sparkle and a sprinkle of fun!

## How It Works



### 1. Kickoff the Celebration

Begin with a schoolwide announcement or a short video message from the principal to introduce the **12 Days of Cheer** concept and explain the purpose behind the daily Cheer Challenge. This activity is a great way to get everyone excited and set the tone for the next 12 days of responsible fun!



### 2. Display the Countdown

Post a festive countdown board in a visible school area, such as a hallway or a digital display, so everyone can track their progress and get excited about the daily Cheer Challenge. Students and staff can check off each day's challenge as it's completed.



### 3. Daily Cheer Challenges

Share each day's **Cheer Challenge** during morning announcements, in Morning Meetings and advisory periods, or through a school newsletter. Be sure to emphasize how the task contributes to building a positive, responsible community in the school.



### 4. Responsibility Celebration

At the end of the 12 days, celebrate the school-wide efforts with a Responsibility Celebration. This celebration could be a hot cocoa party, a “Cozy Day” where everyone dresses warmly, or a School-wide Shoutout Wall where students and staff can write notes of appreciation for each other's efforts.

# The 12 Days of Cheer

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| <b>1</b> <b>Snowball of Kindness Day</b><br><br>Start the season by doing something kind for someone else.             | <b>2</b> <b>Flurry of Compliments Day</b><br><br>Give out at least three compliments to your classmates or teachers. | <b>3</b> <b>Warm Fuzzies Day</b><br><br>Share a positive note or message with a friend or teacher.                                     |
| <b>4</b> <b>Snowman Smile Day</b><br><br>Make someone smile today—whether a friend, teacher, or someone new.           | <b>5</b> <b>Blizzard of Thanks Day</b><br><br>Say “thank you” to at least two people who help you daily.             | <b>6</b> <b>Frosty High-Five Day</b><br><br>Give high-fives to three classmates for something they did well.                           |
| <b>7</b> <b>Sparkle of Support Day</b><br><br>Offer to help someone with a task or support them in what they’re doing. | <b>8</b> <b>Winter Wonder Day</b><br><br>Do something nice without being asked—it can be small, but it counts.       | <b>9</b> <b>Chilly Cheer Day</b><br><br>Encourage a classmate who might be feeling a little down today.                                |
| <b>10</b> <b>Snowstorm of Smiles Day</b><br><br>Pass along a smile or a kind word to everyone you see today.           | <b>11</b> <b>Icebreaker Friend Day</b><br><br>Introduce yourself to someone new or make a new friend today.          | <b>12</b> <b>Celebrate the Season Day</b><br><br>Celebrate your shared cheer and kindness, and reflect on how you’ve made others feel. |