Free or Inexpensive Rewards for Adults in the Building

1. Adult gets to pick what the topic for a faculty meeting is going to be
2. Adult gets to rent the principal’s chair for the day
3. Ask PTO to do a pot luck- put a ladle in the teacher’s boxes and message like this- “You’ve been dishing the learning. Since we have to stay late tonight for the meetings, we’d like to dish some treats your way. Meet us in the lounge for a delicious treat.
4. At Family Math Night all the adults are highlighted in a video montage
5. Bouncy Castle Moon Walk Bounce for the Adults- You’ve got to act like a kid again
6. Bulletin board highlighting staff of the day showing treasures provided by their family (surprise) If you have about 90 staff members one every other day would work
7. Dim the lights in the staff lounge and get a volunteer masseuse to come provide 5 minute neck rubs during planning periods- Play restful music
8. Dollar Store Humming Bird Feeder- “You make this school hum because…..”
9. Dollar Store Kneeling Pad- “Thank you for planting the seeds of knowledge”
10. Dollar Store- Oriental Trading Company- Cardboard coasters- make great clipboards for writing gotchas in the hallways- easy to have with you- coaster and a binder and you have an instant clipboard.
11. Donut day- These donuts are in honor of Peggy’s contribution to the PTO (PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION) (PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION)
12. Draw a staff member’s name, and watch them all day and then report on what great deeds they did over the intercom that afternoon for all to hear. (Report good news)
13. During morning announcements highlight something that an adult in the building did and tell why
14. Duty free lunch period
15. Find a beauty school and get someone to volunteer to come in and do 5 minute manicures
16. Flowers on the desk from someone’s garden (with permission)
17. Get a donation of a shopping cart to keep at the school for adults bringing in huge loads of supplies
18. Golden plunger award from custodian for classroom that was the cleanest
19. Golden spatula award from cafeteria staff for most polite class of the week
20. GOOSE- Get Out Of School Early- No staying for the 30 after
21. Have the principal make up a rap song about being cool in school and perform it on the CCTV for the school- Staff of the Day get to be background dancers
22. Limo ride to school and home for staff of the day- This sounds weird but funeral parlors will sometimes provide this service for free if they aren't using the cars that day- Don't Tell rule applies

23. Melted crayon hearts- “You color my world because....”

24. Mini-fridge for a week in the adults' office area filled with his or her favorite drink

25. Once a month host an ice cream social with a “sister”- “brother” school. Alternate schools each month and let teachers tour getting ideas from each other on lesson plans, bulletin boards, etc. I Spy something great I'd like to duplicate

26. Permission to leave the building at lunch time for lunch off campus

27. Plan a big faculty meeting or inservice at someone’s house - with a pool and a grill instead of sitting on the little dot seats in the cafeteria

28. Postcard sent home detailing something admired in the adult

29. Preferred parking space

30. Principal and staff member trade jobs for a day

31. Principal institutes a pineapple upside down day- Everyone comes in and is assigned a different job for half a day- Everyone has to have their job description or lesson plans written down step by step

32. Principal kidnaps a class after PE or recess and take them somewhere else. Send a messenger to the teacher telling him or her to put their feet up for 20 minutes. Teach a lesson to the class on something of interest to you- American History- Art etc.

33. Principal leaves love notes on adults' desks - not the 6:00 news kind- the kudos kind

34. Principal takes over morning or afternoon duty for an adult in the building

35. Principal writes lesson plans for teacher for one period

36. PTO (PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION) designs 5 strokes for every poke lanyard for all adults in the building

37. PTO (PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION) takes turns baking a casserole once a week for an adult “gotcha” receiver (it’s their dinner that night)

38. Scrap ice off windshield of Staff of the Day’s car

39. Sneak into the school over the weekend and write a note on each classroom white board telling them to “Have a Great Week”

40. Special table outdoors for teachers to enjoy sunshine during lunch

41. Stuart Smalley- Glitter Mirrors “You are good enough, You are strong enough and gosh darn it those kids need you.”

42. Surprise an adult in the building by letting two or three students wash their car- be careful on this one though- There are also services that come on sight and wash
cars for a fee- possibly PTO (PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION) (PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION) could sponsor

43. Treat bags- shovels with “I dig you because.... . “

44. Valet parking for a day

45. Ways to Pump up your Program with Balloons and Balloon Pump