

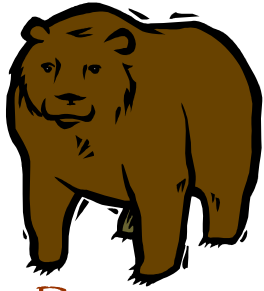


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# Marshall Bears House System

Established 2007

**What:** A community building system that challenges students from all grade levels to work together as a large group called a “house”.



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**Who:** Every student, teacher, support staff, and employee of our school is a member of a house.

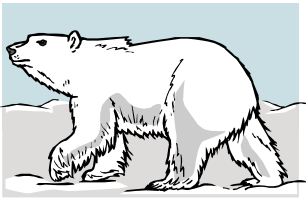
**Where:** At Marshall Elementary! Each of the five houses has a designated spot in the building where they gather for house meetings.



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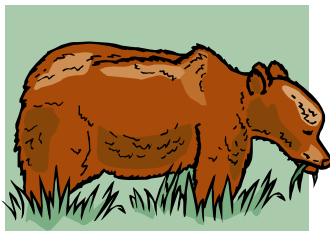
**When:** At least twice monthly, houses are called to a meeting. Meetings last from 15-30 minutes, depending on the agenda for the meeting. Meetings take place during the school day and every person stops what they are doing and attends their house meeting!

**Why:** This system was adopted because we recognized our need for a sense of community as a building. Each house has a different responsibility each week, so our building has taken on a new and improved appearance! Students work together to earn merits for their houses by taking pride in our school and for attendance.



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**How:** Teachers are responsible for tallying merits earned by their students for their houses and have created an excitement among their classrooms. Competitions between houses have included attendance at literacy night, a coin drive for the Tulsa Autism Foundation, a Kleenex drive, etc. The students are working hard to help their house have the most merits at the end of the year and have their house name engraved on the bear trophy! This system is a recognition of effort, which is the greatest motivator of all! And although houses have developed a great sense of loyalty, a phrase commonly heard around the building is “We love all the bears!”



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