

VIPS Kick-Off Skit
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Title: WHAT MORE COULD I ASK FOR?

CAST: Narrator, Teacher, Parent, Students

Narrator: It's a great day to be teaching at Katy Elementary. After all, everyone knows that this school has the most talented teachers, the brightest students, a wonderful principal, as well as the most beautiful PTO volunteer group in all of KISD. What more could a teacher ask for... . (Music for "What a wonderful world" song plays..)

Teacher: (Holds up "thought bubble" that says: "What more could I ask for?" and looks very contented via expression.)

BANG, BANG, BANG!

Teacher: Excuse me students! I believe someone is banging on the outside door. (Teacher walks over to open imaginary door!)

Parent: Good morning, Teacher! (Parent pushes on through to the classroom wearing skimpy sweats!) I'm so glad to have my little angel in your class this year! (Parent runs on through, holding her big bag, and gives her little angel a big hug and kiss!)

Teacher: What a surprise, Mrs. Parent! I wasn't expecting you. I'm sorry but you have to go to the front office and get a Raptor badge.

Parent: Oh, don't worry, Teacher! You know me, and I won't be very long!!! I'll just slip back out the door in a few minutes.

Parent and Teacher FREEZE for:

Narrator: All parents and visitors to the school must check in at the front desk and be "raptured" before proceeding into the school. EVERY VISIT, NO MATTER HOW LONG!!! AND, please dress appropriately when you visit the school.

Teacher: (Holds up "thought bubble" that shows a picture of a doe in the headlights.) I'm sorry, Mrs. Parent, but you must go through the front office. How about if you give me a call during my planning time, and we can set up an appointment? Here's my phone....

(interrupted by Parent)

Parent: Oh, but Teacher, I was going to ask you about my little angel's homework paper and also I wanted you to

Parent and Teacher FREEZE for:

Narrator: **Out of respect for teachers' schedules and daily plans, never enter a classroom unannounced or without a prior appointment with the teacher. Teachers have daily schedules and plans and any unannounced visitors are very disruptive to the routine and learning process. There's no such thing as "just a moment of your time". It's merely "lost instruction time". Narrator holds up a thought bubble that says "and it's a rude interruption!"**

Teacher: (holds up thought bubble that says "How am I going to make up for this lost time!")

Teacher: Mrs. Parent, I would be more than happy to visit with you, but I cannot do it right now. Please call me to make an appointment.

Parent: (slightly offended) Well, I'm sorry, Teacher! (holds up thought bubble that says "What's HER PROBLEM?") Okay, I'll call you. (Parent then unexpectedly turns to the students and pulls open her big bag.) "Hey, kids! Before I leave, I just wanted you to have a little treat. (Parent starts handing out candy bars.)

Teacher: Mrs. Parent, I'm sorry but you cannot hand out any treats to the students. These things need prior approval. (Teacher starts gathering up the treats with thought bubble "The kids are going to be upset now for the rest of the day").

Parent and Teacher FREEZE for:

Narrator: **It's the law. Your school can be heavily fined for distributing treats to the students. There are no limits or exceptions for "your child's classroom only" or "because it's tradition". Please do not bring any treats for the students without prior approval.**

(A cell phone rings. Parent pulls it out of her purse and starts a long and loud conversation in front of the class and teacher.)

Teacher tries to signal Parent to walk outside classroom, etc.

Parent: Excuse me, Teacher! This is a very important call, and I'm on a tight schedule. (Parent talks a little longer and then hangs up.)

Teacher: Mrs. Parent, I'm sorry but I really need to continue class right now. Here's my phone number. I'll look forward to hearing from you at a better time.

Parent: Well, if that's how you're going to be. I'll just see about this later. (Parent stalks out of the room.)

Teacher holds up thought bubble that says "What more could I ask for?"

Narrator: Parents and volunteers, thanks for your interest and generosity to our school. We hope you enjoyed our overblown skit. The events and persons which you have seen were actors who were not intended to portray any actual situation. (...need to re-word this to how they word this on shows.)They were presented for your instruction and entertainment; the instruction part is truth. (“Dragnet” music.)