

Here's to the Appreciative Advisers...

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Here's to the Appreciative Advisers that
believe in their students with reckless abandon,
who not only see potential in their students,
they do everything in their power to ignite that potential.

Here's to the Appreciative Advisers that
look beyond the tattoos and the indifferent looks,
and instead seek out students' stories and listen for opportunities to
celebrate their strengths, abilities and accomplishments.

Here's to the Appreciative Advisers who
who create a safe space for students to dream
and respect the fragility and the simultaneous power
of students' hopes and dreams for their futures.

Here's to the Appreciative Advisers who
refuse to fall into the trap of thinking they know all the answers
and instead work together with students
to co-create a plan to make their dreams come true.

Here's to the Appreciative Advisers that
encourage students to try new things and to make mistakes
because they know that we learn the most from the mistakes we make,
not from sitting on the sidelines.

Here's to the Appreciative Advisers who
realize that they will never perfect their craft,
that keep reading, learning, and innovating because
they realize that the only constant in their lives is change.

Here's to the Appreciative Advisers that
truly care about their students and
aren't afraid to tell students they care and
back that up with actually caring about each and every student.

Here's to the students that
question the status quo,
that want to make the world a better place, and who
inspire Appreciative Advisers to do and be their best.