

Sunnyview Middle School had several rules that were heavily enforced. Most of them appeared to be reasonable enough, such as no chewing gum in class and no cheating on exams. However, one rule seemed absolutely ridiculous to the middle schoolers - no soda permitted on campus! Christopher and Gregory, two seventh graders at Sunnyview, were especially annoyed by the rule. They enjoyed drinking soda, and their parents let them drink it at home whenever they wanted. They were determined to do the same at school. The two boys started sneaking soda to school in their lunch sacks. When the lunchtime teachers were distracted, they would guzzle it. Other students were jealous. They wanted to sneak soda in their lunches too, but most of their parents didn't purchase it.

Then Gregory got what he considered to be a brilliant idea. He told Christopher his plan for making some money by having a secret soda sale at lunchtime. Gregory couldn't resist the opportunity to make a few bucks, and he and Christopher came to school the next day with backpacks full of soda cans. They stored the soda in Christopher's locker and spread the word for classmates to stop by at lunch to purchase a soda for a dollar. When Christopher opened his locker at lunch to start selling to the growing line behind him, the soda was missing! Then he saw a note taped to his Spanish book. It read, "Meet me in my office ASAP, Christopher and Gregory!" The note was signed by Principal Patterson. Rumors of the soda sale had spread farther than the boys anticipated!

The principal acted quickly, rebellion was squelched before it could really start, and that was the last day soda made its way onto Sunnyview's campus. Now even Christopher and Gregory guzzle juice at lunch.