



Fundraising Ideas

2015-2016 TO District Treasurer Emily Zhao

FOOD SALES

1. **Lemonade Sale:** Before or after school and/or during lunch, sell cups of lemonade to students and faculty. Refills can either be free or for a reduced price. Make sure to keep the drinks cool at all times.
2. **Chocolate Bars Sale:** During Valentine's Day week, sell large candy bars with messages that students can designate to other students. The candy bars can be passed out to the designated students on/near Valentine's Day.
3. **Hot Coco Sale:** Before or after school and/or during lunch, sell cups of hot chocolate to students and faculty. Refills can either be free or for a reduced price. Make sure to keep the drinks warm at all times. This event is good during cooler days, especially in the winter.
4. **Snow Cone Sale:** Before or after school and/or during lunch, sell snow cones to students and faculty. If anyone can lend a snow cone machine, then this will work even better! This event is good during warm days, especially in the summer or early in the school year.
5. **Popcorn Sale:** Before or after school and/or during lunch, sell popcorn to students and faculty. If anyone can lend a popcorn machine, then this will work even better!
6. **Nachos Sale:** Before or after school and/or during lunch, sell nachos to students and faculty. This may get messy so be sure to keep clean and provide napkins.
7. **Bake Sale:** Before or after school and/or during lunch, sell homemade baked goods to students and faculty. You can correlate the baked goods with any theme, such as holiday-related.
8. **Kiss a Senior Goodbye:** Take pre-orders and pre-payments for bags of chocolate kisses with messages purchasers may write for graduating seniors (also advertise to parents!). Create cute, little ribboned bags containing chocolate kisses, the messages, and perhaps a cookie or two. Make sure to deliver them before the last week where senior attendance tends to be higher.

ITEM SALES

1. **Open House:** Many schools have an Open House, or an event in which parents and students may attend early in the school year to learn more about the school and the teachers. This is an impeccable time to sell whatever items your club may wish.
2. **Finals Survival Kits:** Sell final exam survival kits for students (also advertise to parents!). The kits can include a soda, energy bar, pens/pencils, gum, jokes, inspirational messages/quotes, coupons, etc. Deliver these in school during homeroom, lunch periods, or study halls and sell them during lunch and before and after school.

3. **Garage Sale:** Have students, faculty, and parents donate gently used or unused items. Host a garage sale from someone's home. All unpurchased items should be returned to their owners or donated with consent.
4. **Crafts Sale:** Create homemade, creative crafts, such as bookmarks, magnets, etc. to sell to students, faculty, and parents. You can even make the crafts out of recyclable material!
5. **Flower Sale:** During Valentine's Day week, sell either single or multiple flowers with messages that students can designate to other students. The flowers can be passed out to the designated students on/near Valentine's Day.

OUTDOOR EVENTS

1. **Car Wash:** Host a car wash in your local community. Make sure to advertise this event well ahead of time and still have volunteers advertising on the day of the car wash.
2. **Barbeque:** Host a club, school-wide, or community-wide barbeque in which attendees must pay an admission fee. Have various activities, such as water balloons and kickball.
3. **Dog Wash:** Host a dog wash in your local community. Ensure that all volunteers are aware of how to properly wash a dog. You may even give out free dog treats.
4. **Car Smash:** After painting the name of a rival school on the car and removing the glass, charge a fee for each swing at the car with a sledgehammer. A service station or junk yard may donate a car. Publicity and active support from the principal are VERY important! And remember, safety first (provide protective gear)!

COSPONSORED EVENTS

1. **Ice Cream Shop:** Ask a local ice cream or frozen yogurt shop to donate 10% of their profits (or some other percentage) on a designated day for your cause in exchange for encouraging supporters to eat there.
2. **Eat for a Cause:** Ask a local restaurant to donate 10% of their profits (or some other percentage) on a designated night for your cause in exchange for encouraging supporters to eat there.
3. **Pancake Breakfast:** A pancake breakfast at school or another facility (such as a restaurant) can be a high-profit fundraiser. Provide plates, forks, napkins, syrup, butter, etc. Be sure to advertise well ahead of time and have students help set up.

COMPETITIVE EVENTS

1. **Faculty Sporting Event:** Choose an event that would involve teachers playing against each other, such as volleyball, hockey, etc. Sell tickets for admission and set up a concession stand to sell beverages and snacks.
2. **Pie a Teacher:** Select a couple of well-known teachers who are willing to take a pie to the face. Students may donate money during lunch or other times to the teacher of their choice. By the end of a predetermined date, the teacher with the most donations will get pied in the face during an End of the School-Year Pep Rally or other public school event.

3. **Raffle:** Have several prizes, such as gift cards and electronics (these items may be donated from stores). Over the course of a week or so, students must pay a certain amount of money to enter their name into the raffle. At the end of the time period, randomly draw names. These students will get to choose a prize.
4. **How Many?:** Have a large jar completely filled with mixed candy. Have students pay \$1 to guess the number of pieces of candy inside the jar. The guess closest to the actual number inside the jar will be rewarded with the entire jar of candy.
5. **Hairy Leg Contest:** Whether male faculty staff or students, willing contestants' legs are photographed, and the pictures are fastened to jars. One vote costs a quarter, and the money is placed in the jar. The contestant with the most donations will shave or wax a part (or all) of their leg.
6. **Save or Shave:** Choose a willing teacher who is ready to donate his beard for a fund-raiser. Students then vote with money whether the beard should be saved or shaved. At the end of the voting period, the jar with the most donations will determine the fate of the beard (it is hopefully shaved at a school assembly).
7. **Spelling Bee:** Host a spelling bee in which students may pay to participate in to win a prize. Sell admission tickets and be sure to predetermine appropriate judges and words.
8. **Dodgeball Tournament:** Students will sign up in teams and will play against each other until the last two finalists. Have prizes for the winning team. Also have an admission fee, a fee for playing, and set up a concession stand to sell beverages and snacks.
9. **Kiss the Toad** (or other animal): During lunch or other times, raise a certain amount of money in order for a student(s) or teacher(s) to kiss a certain animal. If enough money is raised, make sure that the kissing takes place during an occasion where many may see it, such as a Pep Rally or during lunch.

OTHER FUNDRAISERS

1. **Toy Auction:** Ask for toy donations from students, teachers, parents, and/or stores. These toys will be auctioned off, whether at an elementary school or other academic facility.
2. **Winter Fashion Show:** Host a winter fashion show in which walkers must sign up and pay to participate and admission tickets are sold. For this fundraiser, there is a lot of room for your club to choose how to regulate this event.
3. **Tape a Teacher:** Sell foot-long strands of tape for \$1 to students who want to tape a willing teacher to the wall. The teacher will start out standing on two chairs. The goal is to get enough tape to suspend the teacher above the ground and remove the chairs. No tape in the teacher's face or hair!
4. **Rent-a-Worker:** Volunteers commit to working for a certain amount of time, doing any odd jobs sponsors "hire" them to do. This is great for mowing lawns, babysitting, and other small jobs.

