



FUNDRAISING IDEAS FOR SCHOOLS



Remember: The most fun and effective fundraising strategies are the ones that students come up with themselves! They will be more engaged and motivated if it's their own idea, so get them involved in the whole process.

To assist you if you get stuck, see the list of fundraising ideas below.

SELF-SPONSOR

Many older students in the school may have part-time jobs and can be encouraged to set aside a small amount each week to go towards mission and service projects or trips. They could also ask friends and family to match their contributions when seeking to pay for a mission trip.

SEEK SUPPORT FOR ACTIVITIES

Encourage your students to seek sponsorship from friends and families for participating in an athletic event, such as:

- Walk/Ride/Skate/Swim-a-Thons
- Fun Run or Colour Run
- Pedometer Challenge

HOST AN EVENT

Funds from the event can then be distributed across a team or project. Ideas for events are:

- Mufti Day (non-uniform day) or a variation where the students wear a certain colour, their sport uniforms, or ugly Christmas jumpers for Christmas in July!
- School Dance
- Battle of the Bands
- Talent or Fashion Show
- Spelling Bee
- 'Olympic Games' - could be classroom vs classroom, grade vs grade, teachers vs students, etc. Include events such as scooter basketball, relay races, giant ball volleyball, etc. and sell game tickets to students and parents
- Parent and community dinner or Trivia Night
- Auction with items from local businesses

GET CREATIVE

- Sew or decorate tote bags as a class and sell them as an alternative to plastic bags
- Compile a cookbook of favourite recipes, contributed by families in the class or school
- Encourage kids to recycle glass, plastic, aluminium, steel and paperboard cartons for a 10 cent refund per item at recycling containers across NSW and SA (and other states as available). As a class, bring that money together to fundraise towards a goal.
- At Christmas, older students could charge a fee to hang Christmas lights for school families, have a gift wrapping stall, or hand make/design Christmas cards.

Ensure that you check the fundraising requirements for your state before carrying out any fundraising activities.