

# FUNDRAISING IDEAS

**Alumni Newsletter-** Does your school have a way to communicate with alumni? Share events and put a link to your fundraising page in the newsletter and encourage graduates to donate!

**Cash for 'stache-** Male teachers are encouraged to grow out their facial hair and solicit donations from students to determine how they will shave their facial hair.

**Class Competition-** Keep track of how much each grade or class raises for a certain event and whichever class raises the most throughout the week wins a prize!

**Cut the Line-** Students pay \$5 to move to the front of the lunch line.

**Dress Down Day or Hat Day-** Students pay \$1 to wear casual clothes or a hat to school.

**Giveaway-** Give students the chance to win donated items or things the school could give away, like prom tickets, yearbooks, an exclusive parking spot, season football or basketball tickets, etc.

**Make it Stop-** Play an annoying song during passing period until you've reached a specific fundraising goal.

**Matching Donations-** Encourage companies to match the donation of one class, grade or the whole school!

**Penny Stall-** Students are encouraged to bring as much change as possible to one particular class period. The teacher isn't allowed to start class until he or she has hand counted all the change!

**Penny Wars-** Each grade level competes against each other to collect the most pennies. Students are encouraged to put nickels, dimes and quarters in another grade's container to get the corresponding amount of pennies subtracted from their total count! The winning grade level gets a prize.

**Recipe Book-** Have students contribute family recipes and create one school-wide recipe book. Sell the book to parents and community members.

**School Swag-** Sell any extra school-branded items (lanyards, stickers, etc.).

**T-Shirt Sales-** Create a unique t-shirt for your fundraising event to encourage Make-A-Wish® spirit and camaraderie. The back of the t-shirt is a great place for sponsors to promote their logos. Make sure to run the design by your Make-A-Wish contact before printing!

**Wish Wall-** Sell Make-A-Wish stars (provided by Make-A-Wish Colorado) for \$1 and create a wonderful visual of support by hanging the stars around the school. You could also turn this into a fun classroom competition and give a prize to the class who sells the most stars.