



# Non-food Alternatives



## For Fundraising

### Non-food Fundraising Ideas

#### To Do

- ⇒ Ask local businesses to donate a portion of sales on a given date or time to the school
- ⇒ Organize events, such as a bike-a-thon, sled-a-thon, rock-a-thon or read-a-thon, for which sponsors pledge money by the mile, hour, or number of books/pages
- ⇒ Organize a car or pet wash
- ⇒ Sell tickets to a parent-teacher talent show or basketball game
- ⇒ Charge for gift wrapping services during holidays
- ⇒ Organize a fun run
- ⇒ Singing telegrams (good for chorus or band)
- ⇒ Hold a talent show/magic show
- ⇒ Carnivals
- ⇒ Dances (kids, father/daughter, family, Sadie Hawkins)
- ⇒ Recycling cans/bottles/paper
- ⇒ Bowling night
- ⇒ Treasure hunt/scavenger hunt
- ⇒ Penny wars (pennies = 1 point, nickels = 5 points, quarter = 25 points, etc.)
- ⇒ Book fair
- ⇒ Sport clinic
- ⇒ Cheerleading clinic
- ⇒ 3-on-3 basketball tournament
- ⇒ Lip-sync/Karaoke contest
- ⇒ Recycle cell phones
- ⇒ Trash to Treasure sale: community members bring items to donate for a school yard sale

#### To Sell:

- ⇒ Trash bag sale through Bags for Bucks
- ⇒ Discount cards/coupon books for local businesses
- ⇒ Holiday ornaments/wreaths/flowers
- ⇒ Plants/flowers/bulbs
- ⇒ Mother's Day hanging baskets
- ⇒ Valentine's Day carnation sale
- ⇒ Cookbooks with recipes from teachers/students/community members
- ⇒ Emergency/first-aid kits
- ⇒ Picture frames
- ⇒ Gift baskets
- ⇒ Pedometers
- ⇒ Balloon bouquets
- ⇒ School spirit gear
- ⇒ Calendars featuring school-specific functions and photos
- ⇒ School art projects

MJUSD Student Wellness Board Policy 5030 states in part—"To encourage consistent health messages between the home and school environment, the Superintendent or designee may disseminate health information to parents/guardians through district or school newsletters, handouts, parent/guardian meetings, the district or school web site, and other communications. Outreach to parents/guardians shall emphasize the relationship between student health and academic performance."