## Healthy and Active Fundraiser Ideas and Resources

## Cutest Pet Contest

For a $\$ 10$ entry fee, student families and teachers can enter a picture of their pet to the Cutest Pet Contest. Votes can be sold for $\$ 1$ each. Voting will end after one month and the winning cutest pet will be featured on the DVUSD Facebook page and receive a prize. Suggested prizes: a donation made to a charity or organization of their choice (including DVUSD), a gift card to a pet store, or 4 tickets to a kid-friendly concert or sports event. People can enter as many of their pets as they like for $\$ 10$ each. Cutest Pet entries can be collected then uploaded to a Google Photos image gallery, and the link to the gallery can be emailed and/or available to students and staff.

## Walk-a-thon

Schools can organize their own on-campus walk-a-thon. Create an energetic atmosphere by playing energetic, kid-friendly tunes and encourage students to wear t-shirts matching their school's colors. The following links provide more information on how to plan a walk-a-thon, courtesy of Greely Schools and UC Health.
http://www.greeleyschools.org/cms/lib2/CO01001723/Centricity/Domain/3682/Healthy\ 
Kids\%20Club\%20Fundraising\%20packet.pdf
https://www.uchealth.org/Documents/file-pdf/COMMHEA-HKC-walkathon-tips-cover-
index.pdf

## Karaoke Dance Party

Students can collect pledges to sing in a school karaoke dance party. Pledges can be made for each song the student's team is able to sing, or flat donations could be made. Student teams that raise the most money could win a prize for their efforts.

## Desert Plant Sale

Propagate succulent plants and hold a garden sale to sell them in cute containers, along with other gardening goods (link to kid-friendly propagation instructions: http://needlesandleaves.net/blog/2013/5/31/propagating-leggy-succulents)

## Penny Wars (Great for HS students)

The goal of the game is to gain as many "points" during the "war," which happens over 5 continuous school days. This competition can be done between schools, grade levels, or homerooms. Each class will need a large (at least one gallon) container with their team name on it that students will place pennies in. Each penny is equal to one point. Classes may slip other coins and bills into the containers of other classes, as bills and non-penny coins reduce the number of points in that container by whatever the value of the bill/other coin is. Containers also need to be supervised and counted daily, so that the total pennies for the day and deductions are counted and collected. The daily totals can be posted daily at a central location, like the cafeteria, to encourage friendly competition. A rotating cup or pennant is handed to the leading class each day to add enthusiasm. At the end of the 5 days, the winning class keeps the cup or pennant as a prize. After the Penny War, the coins are collected and counted. It helps to have a designated group to count and roll the coins; ask a local bank to help with coin counting, if possible.

## DIY Donation- and Sales-Based Fundraising Ideas

Recruit volunteers to work and collect donations during these events These options are great for HS students

- Host game nights or bingo nights during parent/teacher conference nights
- Offer a childcare night with activities for the kids so parents can have a night out
- Hold an auction or sell raffle tickets to win items donated by local businesses (like frontrow seats at a sporting event, guitars, massage vouchers, gift cards)
- Send an email to parents and staff requesting donations of unwanted items to be sold at a school garage sale
- Organize an arts and crafts sale
- Hold a "No-Bake Bakesale" by sending letters to parents, asking them to donate what they would spend at a conventional bake sale. Use an online donation collection website to maximize donations received.

Source: Healthy Fundraisers: Promote Family Health and Well-being, Action for Healthy Kids
$\underline{\text { http://www.actionforhealthykids.org/storage/documents/parent-toolkit/fundraisers-family- }}$
health-f1.pdf

## Online Fundraising Resource

Your school can raise 3 to 10 times more money by collecting donations and pledges online, according to Fire Up Your Feet. They are a non-profit online platform for collecting donations online for your DIY fun run, walk-a-thon, karaoke party, or other fundraiser.

Website: http://fireupyourfeet.org/healthy-fundraising

## Fundraising Resource Companies

Try one of these fundraiser companies to help your school meet its financial goal.

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|  | Address: 2125 Butterfield Road, Troy, MI |
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Source: Sweet Deals: School Fundrasing Can Be Healthy and Profitable, Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI) http://www.cspinet.org/schoolfundraising.pdf Abby Candles, American Heritage Girls http://www.abbycandles.com/ahg/

