In many schools, students, faculty members, and parent groups generate funding for programs. With school budgets tight, fundraising helps pay for many classroom projects, activities, field trips, school events, athletics, music, and art. Schools can still raise funds while helping students build positive habits by planning successful fundraisers that promote a healthy lifestyle.

**Things to Remember for School Fundraising**

- All food fundraisers must meet the New Mexico Competitive Food Sale Rule for in school and outside of school fundraisers (refer to the AFHK Food & Beverage List).
- If you sell food, prepare and store properly to prevent food borne illness. Consult with your county Environmental Health Department for food safety codes and permits.
- If you sell food, ensure all items are labeled with ingredients to prevent allergic reactions.

**Alternative Fundraising Ideas**

**ITEMS YOU CAN SELL**

- Candles
- Greeting cards
- Giftwrap, bags
- Coupon books, raffle
- Holiday items
- Pedometers
- Magazine subscriptions
- Flowers, bulbs
- Balloon bouquets
- House decorations
- Books, calendars
- Buttons, pins
- Ornaments
- Crafts, craft kits
- Emergency kits
- Batteries
- Stone memorials
- Seasonal flags
- Gift baskets
- Hats
- Jewelry

**ITEMS THAT PROMOTE THE SCHOOL**

- T-shirt/sweat shirt sale
- Bumper stickers or decals
- Student art sale
- Cookbook made by the school
- Coffee mugs or cups

**THINGS YOU CAN DO**

- Wrap gifts
- Fun runs/jogs
- Bike-a-thons
- Walk-a-thons
- Read-a-thon
- Jump rope-a-thons
- Car wash (pre-sell tickets)
- Penny wars (collect the most)
- Dances
- Recycling cans/paper
- Festivals
- Golf tournament
- Bowling night/bowl-a-thon
- Skate night/skate-a-thon
- Craft fair
- Talent show
- Silent auction
- School job fair
- Car magnets

**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

www.fundraising-ideas.com  www.americanteachers.com