# Non Food Based Fund Raising Ideas

Categories of fund raising activities include sales, “thons” & entertainment.

## SALES

- Live or silent auction
- Raffle of donated goods
- **Student Sales:**
  - gift wrap
  - magazine subscriptions
  - car washes
  - school spirit items: sweatshirts, T-shirts, bottled water with the school logo
  - school supplies: spiral notebooks, pencils, pens, with school name/logo
  - first aid kits or earthquake kits
- **Student/Family designed sales:**
  - Calendars
  - Cookbook
  - Student artwork
- **Celebration & Holiday Sales:**
  - Balloon bouquets
  - Flowers or plants
  - Graduation day sales
  - Valentine flower-grams
  - Greeting cards, gift wrap

## THONS

- **Walkathons:** encourage physical activity! Students solicit pledges of a certain amount of money per lap on a set course. Variations: bike-athon, skate-athon, jogathon, jumprope-athon.
- **Mathathon:** students are given a math test with a set number of problems (say, 20). Pledges are collected for each problem correctly solved. Even kindergartners can compete, writing numbers in correct order from 1-20. Older students solve algebra or geometry problems.
- **Spellathon:** hybrid of a spelling bee and a thon; pledges collected for every word correctly spelled; optional bonus pledge collected if student wins the bee.
- **Readathon:** pledges collected for every book (or amount of pages) a student reads in a set time.

## ENTERTAINMENT FUND RAISERS

- Student talent shows
- Faculty talent show
- Carnival
- **Teacher/student sports competition:** basketball game, baseball, softball, kickball.
- **Dance for adults (student run):** student jazz band provides the music; students sell refreshments.

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