



SUGGESTIONS FOR FUNDING SWPBS EFFORTS

Helpful Hints and Tidbits

- Write PBS into your School Improvement Plan. This will allow you to use SIP money towards PBS.
- Write a grant to Safe and Drug Free Schools.
- Wal-Mart has \$1000 grants every year. Information can be found at, <http://walmartstores.com/GlobalWMStoresWeb/navigate.do?catg=435&contId=4436>.
- Sam's Club donates \$ to schools for their employees that volunteer.
- Washington Mutual has a program where students can set up a savings account for their school. When students deposit \$ in their account Washington Mutual will match the amount in donations to the school.
- Most school districts have an employee whose job responsibility is to find grants for schools. Some school districts have the information on their district website or via a pamphlet that goes out to the school.
- Establish business and community partnerships with local area businesses and ask for donations. You should draft a formal letter about who you are, what school you are with, what PBS is, and why you need the donations.
- Banks often have an abundance of logo merchandise, ask if they will donate such items for your school store.
- Most Publix stores have \$100 set aside for each school for school products. Check with your local Publix.
- Make a wish list for parents to donate and send home with the students. You might be surprised at what your parents are willing to donate.
- Invite the media (TV, radio and/or newspaper) on days when you are doing a school-wide reward, teaching your students your expectations/rewards, etc. Make sure you include in the news story items your school needs for the reward days.
- Contact your local radio stations to see if they will donate shirts/hats with their logo. See if they will come out to your school and do a live broadcast.



- Have fundraisers dedicated to PBS. Some schools sell hamburgers and hotdogs at local sporting events. On your campus the band/sports boosters may already do this. So, ask them how to get started or see if they want to combine efforts.
- One school allowed their kids to use their school dollars as well as cash at their school carnival.
- Does your school collect box tops for education? If your answer is no then start a program. <http://www.boxtops4education.com/>
- Staples Office Supplies stores will donate \$1 to a school of your choice for every used ink cartridge returned to their store.
- If you have a link from your school's website to Barnes and Nobles each time someone uses the link to buy a product from Barnes and Nobles money will be donated back to your school.
<http://www.barnesandnoble.com/affiliate/intro.asp?userid=2XNXO0SP4Q&cds2Pid=946>
- There are companies who will pay schools for returning used ink cartridges to their company. Some companies are:
<http://www.service4u.com/>

Businesses and Foundations that Support Schools

Go onto any of these websites to find out more information on what these businesses and foundations have established to assist schools. Or, you can visit your local branch and ask for more information.

- Tiger Woods Foundation:
<http://www.twfound.org/grants/funding.sps?section=grants&sid=941&lid=1&gra=0>
- Lowe's
<http://www.lowes.com/lkn?action=pg&p>AboutLowes/Community>
- Home Depot
<http://www.homedepotfoundation.org/>
- Nike
<http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26&item=giving>
- Florida Police Chiefs Education and Research Foundation
<http://www.fpca.com/fpcerfendowment.htm>
- Barnes and Nobles
http://www.barnesandnobleinc.com/company/codonation/co_donation.html
- Best Buy
<http://www.bestbuy.com/> go to community relations at bottom of page
- Albertson's Grocery Store:
http://www.albertsons.com/abs_inthecommunity/
- Washington Mutual

<http://www.wamu.com/about/community/programspartnerships/education.asp>

- Sports Authority

<http://www.sportsauthority.com/corp/index.jsp?page=donations>

The following businesses have a rewards program for schools. They either have a program set which consists of a credit card system or a reward program where the schools get a percentage back from money that has been spent at their store.

- Target:

http://target.com/common/page.jhtml?content=target_cg_index

- Office Depot:

<http://www.community.officedepot.com/local.asp>

Websites that list Educational Grant Information

- Teacher's Network

<http://www.teachnet.org/>

- Kids in Need

http://www.shopa.org/shopa_foundation/teacher_programs.php

- Connect for Kids

<http://www.connectforkids.org/node/245>

- The Consortium of Florida Education Foundations

<http://www.cfef.net/index.cfm/fuseaction/About.Home>

- Great Schools. Net

<http://www.greatschools.net/cgi-bin/static/sponsors.inc/FL>

- School Violence Prevention

<http://www.mentalhealth.org/safeschools/default.asp>

- The Foundation Center

<http://fdncenter.org/funders/index.html>

- Grants for Nonprofits: Education

<http://www.lib.msu.edu/harris23/grants/2educat.htm>

- The Character Education Partnership

http://www.character.org/site/c.gwKUJhNYJrF/b.993295/k.180D/National_Schools_of_Character_Awards_Program.htm

- Fundsnet

<http://www.fundsnet.com/educ01.htm> and

<http://www.fundsnet.com/educatio.htm>

- Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

<http://www.gatesfoundation.org/Education/>

- School Grants

<http://www.schoolgrants.org/>



Adopt a Classroom Programs

- Adopt-a-Classroom
<http://www.adoptaclassroom.com/>

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION VISIT THE FLPBS WEBSITE AT
<http://flpbs.fmhi.usf.edu>

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