

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=43.5&contId=4436>.
- Sam's Club donates \$ to schools for their employees that volunteer.
- 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.
- 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/>
- Fundraiser ideas & resources <http://www.fundraiserhelp.com/> or <http://www.funds4all.org>
- The TCU Foundation: Educational Initiatives are the funding of scholarship requests, personal development programs or giving support for programming enhancing either lifelong learning or financial literacy programs. TCU does not award its own scholarships; however dollars are awarded directly to foundations, programs at school corporations, universities and colleges. https://www.tcunet.com/News_Info/TCUFoundation/

Existing School and District Resources

Titles I-IV:

The cost of professional development, resources and materials can be shared among several federal programs

- Title I staff can assist in working with identified students to provide intervention and develop resources
- Title II funds designated for professional development can be used to support RtI implementation
- Title III funds may be used to support supplemental services
- Title IV funds may be used to assist with professional development and ongoing training activities

IDEA:

- Part B follow-through funds for professional development may be used for training to support the implementation of RtI plan
- Districts may use up to 15% of special education funds to support implementation of RtI plan (i.e., to implement research-based interventions for students not identified as needing special education services but who need support to succeed in general education environments).
- Those districts determined to have significant disproportionality based on race/ethnicity must use 15% funds for this purpose.

School Improvement Allocations:

- These state funds could be used to provide professional development on RtI, pay for substitutes so faculty can attend RtI training, provide student monitoring system costs, etc., provided that RtI is included in a goal, objective, or strategy of the School Improvement Plan

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=AboutLoves/Community>
- Nike
<http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26&item=giving>
- 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
- Marsh
<http://www.marsh.net/about/community/fresh-ideas-for-education>

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>
- 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.fundsnetervices.com/educ01.htm> and
<http://www.fundsnetervices.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 Indiana PBS Website at:
<http://www.indiana.edu/~pbisin/about/>**