

Plan USA

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Fundraising Tool Kit K

KID'S TAX

Children are the center of the world; it would make a difference to them to know that they are contributing to the life of another. This exercise encourages the students to write down all of their daily procedures. This exercise brings a harsh reality to light but it is proving to be a reminder that we are fortunate.

TIPS AND HINTS:

Listing your blessings:

Twice during the school year, children are asked to take note of everything that they are grateful for. The children are asked to pay a "tax" for all of the items they have that many children in other countries live without. For example:

___ I will give \$.50 because I am thankful for my television.

___ I will give \$.50 because I am grateful for my brand new clothes

___ I will give \$.50 because I am grateful for my x- box, PS2, and game cube.

___ I will give \$.50 because I am grateful for my CD player.

___ I will give \$.50 because I am thankful for having a pool.

Cause donation will go to:

Be sure that participants understand that their "tax" will be donated to help children who are less fortunate. This helps the children feel like they can associate their donation with an ongoing program and allows students to create a worldwide community with other children.

Prizes and Rewards:

Incentives and rewards are very important because they allow the children to work hard and think about how fortunate they are. Offer an award to the child who comes up with the most creative list.

KITE FLYING SPECTACULAR

What a super fundraising idea for windy spring or autumn. This is an easy, colorful event which requires good weather and lots of participation which can be garnered through much local advertising. Make it a contest for the most spectacular kite and advertise in the local papers (make sure you have a rain date), at all the schools.....you need permission from a local park where the kites can be flown.

Participants are charged, for example, \$5, to participate in this event. Assign each child a number when he/she checks in at the park. Designate the judges. Let them fly the kites and see which ones fly the highest, the longest...which kite is the most spectacular....prizes or ribbons can be given to the winners. Sell donated refreshments

and baked goods. Families can enjoy a wonderful day at the park if weather permits.

