

## Spirit Day/Week

Show your school spirit and raise funds! Students and staff make a donation of \$1, \$3 or \$5 (or any amount you decide) and participate in dress up days like:



- Superhero day
- Storybook character day
- Dress in blue day (blue symbolizes Diabetes Awareness)
- Crazy hat day
- Silly sneaker day
- Pajama day
- Dress down day
- Sports day
- School colors day
- Dress up day—wear your fancy gowns and tuxes

**EXTRA CREDIT:** Show your school spirit by having a different theme each day for a week or even once a week for a month depending on your schools campaign.

## Thons

have fun or reach a fitness or academic goal! Select your “thon” and set your goal (e.g. number of hours danced, number of books read, number of laps, etc.). Students ask for pledges for each hour they dance, each book they read, each lap they complete, etc.



- Dance-a-thon
- Zumba-thon
- Bike-a-thon or trike-a-thon
- Read-a-thon

**EXTRA CREDIT:** In addition to asking students to participate individually, create a little friendly competition between classrooms, student groups or teams and offer a special reward!

## Come and Get Your Tickets

Donate your school’s ticket sales from:



- School play
- Choir or band concert
- Talent show
- Dance
- Winter/spring carnival
- Family movie night
- Family game night
- Student art auction (also donate proceeds from art sales!)

**EXTRA CREDIT:** Sell popcorn, drinks and more and donate the proceeds.

## Sell Your Stuff

Do your students have services or stuff that can be turned into donations?



- “Sell” tutoring, babysitting or other chores link cutting grass, raking leaves or shoveling snow. This fundraiser is great for high school students!
- Host a school garage sale—families bring their things to school parking lot, all proceeds donated
- Create and sell a kids cookbook—everyone turns in favorite recipe, compile into book/e-book and sell



## Sports Tournament

Charge an entry fee for teams to compete in a basketball, volleyball, kickball or other tournament. Get coaches, teachers and parents to participate or compete against students!

- Students vs. students
- Staff vs. parents
- Students vs. teachers

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## The Classics

These tried and true fundraisers are sure to raise valuable research dollars.

- Bake sale
  - Car wash
  - In honor of Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day or Grandparents' Day sell flowers, cards, school swag or other items
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## Pass the Can

This is so fun to do at football games and other sporting events where you will have adults and students seated. Pass the can around the stands. Make an announcement that the funds are going to JDRF and have students make poster to hang in the entry way.

**EXTRA CREDIT:** Ask the competing team to pass the can at same time to see who raises the most at the event.

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## Support JDRF for a Week, a Month or a Season

Donate proceeds from concessions for a month or football, basketball, volleyball or soccer

- Round up at lunch! Donate change from school lunch
- Spare change hunt – ask your parents for spare change found in the car, under couch cushions or other places around the house

**EXTRA CREDIT:** November is National Diabetes Awareness Month! It's a great time to hold a fundraiser like this and raise awareness for type 1 diabetes (T1D) at the same time!

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## Create Your Own

Show your school's originality by creating your very own unique event! Looking for even more ideas? Check this out to help get you even more inspired.

**EXTRA CREDIT:** Ask students come up with fundraising ideas and vote for the type of fundraiser they like to do. Engage student organizations to lead the fundraising effort.

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No matter what you decide to do to raise funds for life changing T1D research, we thank you!  
**Have Fun!**