



March 4 Children Fundraising Event Ideas

For nearly 20 years, the NSEA Children's Fund has helped Nebraska students in need. Now, the Children's Fund needs your help.

Members across the state are asked to consider holding a local association fundraiser in March to benefit the Children's Fund. If enough local associations participate in a 'March-4Children' fundraiser, it would help the fund stay solvent. **Every single penny goes to meet a child's needs – there is no overhead.**

"We want to continue to be able to send dollars out to help children in need," said NSEA Comptroller Sheri Jablonski. "But we can't do that when there's no money in the fund."

Fundraising Ideas could include (but are not limited to):

- **School Walk-A-Thon:** Organize a walk/run anytime during the month of March. Collect pledges to go to the Children's Fund.
- **"Dollars for Denim"** at school: Check with administration if teachers can "pay" to wear jeans for a day, proceeds to the Children's Fund.
- March 2 is Read Across America Day. Organize a school-wide **Read-A-Thon**. Involve teachers, parents and students!
- **"Can you spare a dollar?"** A sample pledge sheet can be found online- ask 25 people each for \$1. Have them fill out the form. If 10 people do this, it's an easy \$250 for the Children's Fund.
- **Make it a competition!** For any event, form a team and issue a challenge- either locally or statewide! We'll set up a web page to track the total funds raised, and list the groups participating.

Need other ideas? Need materials (posters, flyers, artwork)? Have ideas but need creative help? Contact Sally Bodtke (sally.bodtke@nsea.org) or Kristi Capek (kristi.capek@nsea.org) for assistance.

Report all activities as video, photos, PowerPoints, etc, to NSEA as they're occurring or completed, and a comprehensive report will be presented at Delegate Assembly. Contact the NSEA Communications Department if you have questions about submitting media of the events.

On behalf of Nebraska's school children, THANK YOU for your help!