200+ Fun Leadership Ideas, Fundraisers, Spirit Ideas and so much more!
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1. **Friday School Spirit Day** - THIS IS A MUST HAVE - Encourage all students and staff to wear your school colors! Have a Spirit Wheel that gives away spirit beads, candy, temporary tattoos, 50% off at the local coffee shop, or Student Store and any other incentives you can think of! If you wear School Spirit Gear you get to spin the wheel.
2. **Locker Signs** - Everybody LOVES recognition, make it for the yearbook staff, cheerleaders, swim team, Key club, and more!
3. **Teacher Door Signs** – Try for one a month or per quarter, ideas like: Welcome Back, Happy Thanksgiving, Winter Wish, February Love, etc. - Teachers love being appreciated and don’t forget to advertise your events!
4. **Dancing with the Staff Assembly** - Just like Dancing With The Stars! Have practices, asks a local dance teacher to come in and offer lessons - partner students with staff!!
5. **Extreme Staff and Student Makeover Assembly** - Ask a local hairdresser and clothing store to sponsor this fun event. Remember to get a variety of teachers and students so nobody feels picked on. At the beginning of the assembly show a slide show of the “old” them, then introduce the “new” staff member and students!
6. **Morning Greeters** - Some students never get told hello. What if your ASB students created a schedule and were at the main entrances to your school and gave genuine "Good Mornings!", "Hello's", and "Did you know about the Band Concert tonight?" type messages.
7. **Are you Smarter than a 5th Grader/Freshmen/Senior? Assembly** - if you've seen the show you know there are guaranteed laughs!
8. **Start a an ASB Facebook** - help spread the word, create events, and upload pics. Make sure an adult at school also has access! Keep it appropriate! Keep it real and honest, if students didn't like a dress up day or dance, it's ok for them to appropriately leave their ideas, comments and suggestions.
9. **Start a ASB Twitter** - encourage parents and teacher to get involved as well! Another good method to communicate! Students don’t have twitter – no problem – look into Fast Follow 40404 on Twitter.com
10. **Remind 101.com** - is easy-to-use yet powerful SMS message broadcasting software for e-marketing. It allows you to send marketing & advertising SMS and receive response SMS from the computer. Check it out online! Set it up at an assembly at the beginning of the year and get everyone in on the info!
11. **Super Bowl Party** - rent out your gym, auditorium, or pool and broadcast the game LIVE on a big screen.
12. **Civil War Party** - Just like above! Free snacks, charge for admission, have Duck vs. Beaver contests! Make sure if it's a school day, it's a spirit day! This works with any school, college, pro rival teams.
13. **Volunteer Recruitment and a Thank You Party** - Had a hard time getting parents and teacher to volunteer and chaperone. Throw a recruitment BBQ/Spaghetti feed (ASB serves to them!) at the beginning of the year and have a calendar of events where help is needed. Then make sure to throw a Thank You Party at the end of the year as well! Don't forget the personal thank you note too!
14. **Work with New Students** throughout the year - Being a new student is tough. Throw a monthly new student lunch. Have a Club for students who are willing to welcome new students into their group of friends. Have ASB go and meet new students, give them a tour and talk to them about your school events. Give them a spirit shirt, a free cookie from the student store, a "lunch buddy for the entire first week they are there – match them up with trained students with similar interests. Give them a free ticket to the next big game or dance - create multiple events to check in with them! Work with your counselors and Link Crew club!
15. **Middle School Mentoring and a Middle School Assembly** - Celebrate the MS, but start creating your high school culture! These students attend sporting events, they can stand for your fight song, they need to be prepared and excited to join your school!
16. **Need to spread the word? Carry "an item"** = potato, soccer ball, Barbie, bucket - With "Ask me Why I have this" sign and then when students ask, share the info!
17. **Create a schedule for a monthly or quarterly Staff lunch/recognition/treat/or award**! Or just make them a cool poem, quote sheet, picture collage and throw on a piece of candy to show your staff how much you care and appreciate them! Check for ideas on Pinterest.com
18. **Use a Projector to Advertise via Power Point**, create an on-going slide show in your Commons area. Update this with sports news, club news, ASB events, and more! Ask if your custodian can mount in on the ceiling so it can project to a highly visible area.
19. **Sports Scores** on Announcements and Projectors for ALL sports after winning games! Or have a "We Won" Board and update it regularly!
20. **Don't forget Recognize/Support Custodians** - Bring them coffee! Pizza! Doughnuts! Don't forget the Night Crew either!
21. **Have Thank You Cards** readily available - maybe personalize them with class photo! I reused a Jack O Lantern and named it the Thank O Lantern. Make thank you's fun!
22. **Recognize/Support the Band, Choir and Theatre students**! Make them good luck signs, have your entire ASB attend a concert, send them a "themed" goody bag for their competitions or performances!
23. **Honk Signs** - Need to Create Awareness? Make "Honk for School Spirit," "Honk for Canned Food," stand at a major intersection or the driveway to your school for 30-45min. min. before or after school. This helps to create a nice "buzz" of your event!
24. **Buddy Day** - Unity event, pair Freshmen and sophomores up with Juniors and Seniors for the day, have them have a special lunch, train Juniors and Seniors of expectations ahead of time.
25. **Senior Citizen Prom** -work with your local retirement home to throw a great dance for high school students and Seniors. Host a special night with oldies music, decoration, punch, and more for the retirement community in your area. Make sure to work with them in the planning stages. Also make sure to go over as ASB manners and what to expect.
26. Change Fall, Winter, Spring "Sports Pep" Assemblies into "Recognition" Assemblies this will allow you to honor NHS, Key Club, Staff members and whoever else needs a pat on the back.

27. Special Lunch/Breakfast for our Cafeteria Staff - this day, you do the cooking/serving, cleaning! Make sure people know their names too! Give them thank you signs!

28. Special Education Students Dance or Activity- coordinate with your special ed. teachers. Have a "Duke" and "Duchess" for Homecoming Court or have ASB host a Game Night. Require your ASB students to know the names of your special education students. We created (with permission) a poster of the students with their names and picture. Perhaps you can host a game night or a special dance just in their honor.

29. Cheerleader Appreciation - Cheerleader/ASB Potluck, Show up at their State Tournament, A Summer Pizza Party, Plan Spirit weeks/events/assemblies together.

30. Sportsmanship events - Sportsmanship slide for the Athlete of the Week, Greet and welcome opposing teams, teach sportsmanship in assemblies.

31. Have a Monthly Summit - with students and staff to communicate, share ideas, etc. It's like a staff meeting with ASB students, coaches, art teachers, band/choir, etc. to help create year long support and events, Make sure to invite Club Rep's, Team Captains, Spirit group leaders, Cheerleaders, leaders in art, band, choir, etc. to attend.

32. "You're a Star" 1st Day Welcome Treatment - Themed First Day Welcome for all Students - complete buy in/involvement with teachers and admin. Pull out the red carpet, make a Star with every students name on it. Welcome back MORE THAN just the Freshmen! Hearts, Paw Prints, Clovers, and other ideas/shapes work as well– tie it into your welcome back assembly!

33. Teachers of The Month - recognized by ASB - Monthly teacher treat and thank you or motivational quote, story, etc. Do the math, make sure every teacher will be honored once during the year!

34. Use art students to help with posters/advertising - thank them somehow or start a "poster club" to involve other students.

35. "Crimson Crew" or "Back in Black" - t-shirts for first 100 kids to playoff/big events - do something that works for your school.

36. Breast Cancer Awareness in October - Get coaches, players, the school and community involved. Pro and college teams are already doing this. The athletes and fans wear pink to show support, add in some type of fundraiser.

37. Staff and/or Student Idol or VOICE - You've seen American Idol or Blake Shelton on the Voice - you can get the idea! Maybe add a karaoke machine to help!

38. First Thursday Art Event - Art Event of the Month, invite the community, have student art for auction, have musicians playing, have culinary program cooking, etc.

39. Number match - give everyone (in a grade or in the school) a number (with a matching number), if they find their partner, they can be entered to win prizes- do this for Unity, or School Morale. "Find Your Friend, Get a Prize."

40. Use sidewalk chalk to advertise - it catches attention. You can even have a Sidewalk Chalk art contest!

41. Student Film Festival - coordinate with class projects, Digital Arts, etc. - Rent the auditorium, program cooking, etc. This could be a great form of advertising!

42. Morning coffee for IB or AP students - or those with a 3.5 GPA, etc. as a reward once a quarter.

43. Monthly spotlight on the Counseling, Student Affairs Office, Main Office, Custodial, Cook, Library Staff - so students get to know them and staff feel special - have this in a high traffic area so you can learn about people at your school.

44. Weekly/Bi-Weekly ASB News on YouTube.com (get admin. support) to watch in class (check out ASB Tualatin online now!) If done well, this could even replace the morning announcements.

45. Teacher/student fashion show - This is great for Homecoming Spirit Week - needs to be the week before to get students to know what is going on and what the school spirit days are and what to dress up. This can also be done as a fundraiser while collaborating with local businesses, salons, etc. Don't forget to get a cool DJ.

46. Get a deal with the Theatre for free/discounted tickets for low attendance night, coordinate with ASB to get students to the theatre - a "Pack The Theatre" night for plays or Band/Choir events.

47. Have a locker decorating contest, each season or Door decorating if you make it to playoffs or use.

48. On Students Cars (great advertising in community) with Window Paint and even window paint in the schools

49. Loyalty Award for students who attend school events on a regular basis.

50. Set aside funding to support kids who can't go to Prom, ride a rooitter bus, etc. Make sure to educate students that there are other options available.

51. Thank and appreciate the Yearbook staff, make sure they know when your events are so they can take pics! Do the same with your school newspaper! Throw a cupcake party, a pancake breakfast, or just do something nice for each group!

52. Work with Yearbook/newspaper staff to put pics on ASB Facebook, the school website or use for PR needs.

53. Hold a Student Exchange with another high school - Unity Week or just as a random event. Perhaps even exchange with another student council.

54. Use Balloons to advertise, create hype at events, decorate, thank people, honor people, etc.

55. Advertise on the cafeteria food/student store/vending machines - Sticky labels with info. printed on them.

56. Survivor themed assembly - beginning on year - all 4 classes into Tribes, make students staff eat gross things, have "adventure/survivor" as a year long theme.

57. Or create a fun end of year event with Senior Survivor and a week of events, tribal councils, etc. to see which Senior wins as the Super Senior.

58. Need a good MC? Have tryouts for assembly parts. Yes, this would require scripts written weeks in advance - but could be well worth the effort!

59. Organize lunchroom clean up/recycling by weekly class who is there for last 5 min. of lunch to remind students to recycle your lunch items. Work with your custodial staff to make this happen.
61. Work with GSA or start an ASB effort to end “That's gay” or “You're a fag” - or work with a great campaign with Special Olympics to End “The R (retarded) word.” Information available online.

62. Teach the audience in assemblies “How to Act” “Stand for the Fight Song”, “Applaud”, “Go Crazy”, “Sympathy Awww” etc. (do in first assembly, so they get it the rest of the year).

63. Ask a local restaurant that sponsors prom, dinner included in Prom ticket, arrangements made for large groups or use as a fundraiser where a portion of the bill goes back to the school.

64. Community Service Week - a week with service opportunities every day - actual SERVICE, not just raising money. Contact the parks, Senior Citizen homes, local animal shelters, food pantries and more.

65. Music at lunch with microphones - like a radio show with DJ’s, also a great way to promote and advertise events, along with recognizing or interviewing students.

66. Suggestion Box for ASB - don’t forget to provide a note pad and pen so that people can drop off their ideas.

67. Battle of the Sexes Assembly or Week - just like any other spirit week, but this week you keep track of dress up days, lunch competitions, etc. Get the teachers involved too! Great for a Homecoming Week or Winter Morp make it a challenge of the gals vs. the guys in everything you do!

68. Academic Pride Week - we have spirit weeks for sports, what can you do to celebrate students who work to earn good grades. An academic breakfast, locker signs, an early release or an ice cream party.

69. Thank You Thursdays - who deserves to be thanked at your school? How can you make them feel special?

70. Thematic Thursdays - Make Thursdays just as fun as Fridays! Put all those good Dress up ideas into these days!

71. Potty Talk - The Stall Street Journal - get the word out in the bathroom stalls, add dates, comics, and important information.

72. Music during passing time - have a DJ of the week and provide a play list.

73. Ninja Tournament at Lunch - students love the game Ninja, have a Ninja game or whatever new game you learned at leadership camp and play it at lunch.

74. Wave Goodbye - a few elementary schools walk each of their classes out to the busses and wave good-bye. Can you imagine what that would be like it HS teachers tried it? You never know if you don’t try…try it out some Friday afternoon!

75. Skateboard Event - EXIT Skateboard company always wants to do demos! They will bring in pros and equipment. Or just talk to your kids who skateboard and see how you can set up ramps, rails and let them jam in the parking lot! Set up some music, or have a band play live. Don’t forget to have snacks to sell as a fundraiser!

76. Pro’s and Changes - Do you evaluate your events? Do you track them? Make a list of Pro’s and Changes for the next time do you this event. Even better put all information in a binder or folder that you students can use year after year.

77. Club Fair and Ice Cream Social - Do you want to get more students involved in your clubs? Set up a schedule (during class, in groups) where students come out for 20 or so minutes, grab an ice cream bar and check out all your clubs. Give each student a ticket for ice cream and have your ASB hand him or her out. Have each club set up at a table with flyers, an email list, pictures/trophies for what they do. Don’t forget to create a map of where the club tables are.

78. After school Snack Cart - head to Costco or buy in bulk. There are many kids who stay for hours after school and need a pick me up. This is great to market to Freshmen and Sophomores who can’t drive yet. Hang out in the athletic hall!

79. Dive in Movie - Do you have a pool? It’s just like the Drive In, but in a pool! Bring your floatie, set up a projector and speakers and don’t forget to sell snacks.

80. Save it or Shave It - Great fundraisers, set certain dollar amounts where a teacher will shave or cut their hair, then set a higher amount where they will be able to save it. Make sure all cutting happens in an assembly where kids and teachers can still donate. In Oregon Forest Grove High school does this!

81. Freshmen Check In - Send an email, a facebook, or hold a 20 min. check in at school with a treat and let Freshmen know your ASB cares for them. Even better/easier - how about locker signs or personal notes delivered in class?

82. Grimm Reaper - This is a good event around Prom - do some research, how many people die due to Alcohol related car accidents? Then convert the math to your student population. The Grimm Reaper enters classes and picks kids out. Then you take them to your ASB room, paint their face white and give them a statistic card to wear for the rest of the day. They also can’t talk, so kids think about what it’d be like to not have that friend around any more.

83. Coffee House - Open Mic Night - Poetry, singing, monologues, duets, rap, comedy….just like you see in the movies or on TV! Bring together all the random couches, comfy chairs and a nice rug. Don’t forget the beanbags and coffee and hot chocolate! Have dim lighting and make it comfy and inviting. Also, make sure you have a few people to start off, but from there, everyone will just follow. It’s a GREAT event and a really positive vibe! To be environmentally conscience, encourage students to bring their own mug!

84. Scavenger Hunt - Think the Amazing Race but in your school or community. Have people form teams or compete as an individual. Create the clues, have the students grab a digital camera and don’t forget to have a prize!

85. Camera Collage - Buy 25+ disposable cameras. Print instructions on labels. Have students take 1 picture, then pass it on. Turn the cameras into the ASB room at the end of the day. Take them to get developed. Put all the pics on display. On the instructions reminds kids you will only display appropriate pictures.

86. Fruit for Thought - Go and buy bananas, oranges, tangerines, etc. and write advertising or quotes on them and hand them out.

87. Front of the Lunch Line Pass - Need a good reward? Ask you admin. team and kitchen staff if you can make and give these out!

88. RAOK Week - Random Act of Kindness - Think of fun small events you can do for others. Give a compliment, open the door, give a hug, and share a pack of gum.

89. Leadership Journal - Seems like we learn a lot in leadership, but we don’t always remember the lessons we learn. Have each student have a leadership spiral notebook or journal. This is good for a quick write brainstorm, to make a list of P/C’s, or just to make a To Do list.

90. Tailgaters and BBQ’s - This is great for before football games or just during the spring. Buy hot dogs, burgers and buns in bulk to give away for free, but sell chips and soda for a cost. This gets a lot of students pumped before a game. We offer face painting, set up ping pong and other tailgate games and play music.
91. **Arm Wrestling Tourney** - pay an entry fee, match up a partner and let the games begin! Have a buy back in fee as well. The ultimate winner earns a prize and you earn the money! Get staff to play as well!

92. **Powder Puff Volleyball** - Have the Varsity Girls coach the boys. Give points for team name and costume. Sell concessions. Create a round robin tournament and let the games begin!

93. **Beach Party** - Bring in the beach balls, the limbo stick, have everyone dress in Hawaiian and give out flowered lei’s. Even better serve snow cones and fruit. Have tropical music playing.

94. **Bubbles at Lunch** - buy online small bubbles (like at weddings) give them out at lunch tables!

95. **Free Draw at Lunch** - Everyone loves to go to dinner and there is paper on the table with crayons to draw - well create this atmosphere at your school by putting out some crayons, colored pencils, and fresh butcher paper on the tables!

96. **Art Showcase** - Put art from your art classes at lunch. Have a few musicians playing. Make sure to make announcements and encourage students and teachers to check out their awesome work!

97. **3 on 3 Basketball Tourney** – teams pay to play, sign a waiver, give out rules, get a staff team, make a bracket and sell snacks and play music!

98. **Secretary Appreciation Day** - End of April - Most secretaries at schools are LIFESAVERS! Take them out to lunch, have your ASB cover for them, or have them fill out a survey of their favorite treats and bring it to them throughout the day!

99. ** Talent Show** - hold auditions, create a program, book your auditorium, have a dress rehearsal, charge for admission and show and create an AWESOME show to support your students (and staff!)

100. **Snow Cones** - this is cheap and easy... crush ice, buy the liquid, and start serving! These are a huge hit, often served at a Winter Formal!

101. **Freshmen Fun Night** - Get some cool Juniors and Seniors (link crew?) together and host a night just for Freshmen. Have dodge ball, BINGO, a dance, volleyball, basketball, card games, a poker table, video games and give away free snacks! Great to do on a

102. **Halloween Haunted House** - work with your theatre department and turn hallways, classrooms, wherever into a haunted house! Don’t forget to advertise! Maybe a Spooky Dance will happen on the same night?

103. **Retreat Ideas** - River rafting, ropes course, school lock in, go camping! Do this in the summer so you can PLAN for the year! Don’t forget a mid-year retreat/dinner to get everyone re-focused on your ideas/goals!

104. **Final Four Fanatics** - Have a student led bracket, watching party, sell concessions and cheer on your favorite college basketball teams!

105. **Energy Conservation Effort** - gardens, send around a Light Fairy to tape one of the two lights in each room, turn off Commons/Hall Lights, and issue an Energy Challenge!

106. **Song Sensation** - Hokey Pokey, Macarena, Electric Slide, The Chicken Dance, YMCA - think of others to get your student body up and moving at an assembly!

107. **Crush Soda Sales** - Buy Crush Soda, sell at lunch, send to your Crush for $1, the buy “insurance” for $1 (optional) then the recipient can pay $1 to find out who sent them the Soda! Also works with Kisses!

108. **Spray Paint and Stencils** - We all have kids who can’t stand posters, have them take big butcher paper, some stencils and spray paint and head outside to create messages to spread their news!

109. **Stair Signs** - there is a huge space of unmarked territory calling your name - measure, design it, get the markers/paint and create signs up/down your stairs in your school!

110. **Sandwich Boards** - When is the last time your school mascot or 10 Seniors walked around in sandwich boards? Get the ideas out to as many people as you can! Great for busy areas like football games and lunch!

111. **Veterans Day Assembly** - Work with your local recruiters, social studies teachers, and Veterans to honor those who have served. Don’t forget to talk to your teachers who may have served as well, work to get them involved and talk to your social studies teachers for help!

112. **Student Exchange with Another School** - ever wondered what it’s like to attend school with 245 people? How about with almost 2,000? Work with your ASB to coordinate a school swap! Remember to learn from each other and take time to share and reflect!

113. **Minute to Win It** - You’ve all seen the TV show! Using easy items, you create a challenge and then use it for team bonding, lunch or assembly ideas! Don’t forget a camera, this is funny! Awesome for retreats or rallies or just an ice breaker. Numerous ideas and games online.

114. **Freshmen Study Hall/Mentors** - Offer a program to provide Soph/Jr/Sr leaders to help with incoming Freshmen. Work with your counselors and Link Crew to create a yearlong connection and mentor program. Study, have fun nights, attend games, talk about high school challenges, etc.

115. **Rock Band/Guitar Hero/Dance-Dance Revolution** - Bring the games, get the TV’s, and get ready to ROCK!

116. **Favorite Facts from Staff** - Share fun and random facts about staff (collected in advance) during staff appreciation week, assemblies, or on a “We Love our Staff” Bulletin Board

117. **Earth Day (end of April)** - create an entire day/week around Earth Day! Collect trash, paint bathrooms, plant flowers, RECYCLE, have a poster contest, get trees to plant, educate others!

118. **Thankful Dinner** - take a night out, have a ASB style potluck (divide dishes well in advance) and create a long table - we use Senior Hall - add Thanksgiving decorations, invite class advisors and the Principal and have a night a week or two before Thanksgiving to be Thankful for each other! Dress nice! Don’t forget the pies and apple cider! Even better, plan it on the night of a music concert or fall play so you can all attend and show support to another group in your school!

119. **Wall of Shame** - take silly, (but appropriate) pictures of friends and project them in the commons for a price, then the student has to pay to have it down. Make sure an adult screens all photos!

120. **Make the Music Stop Fundraiser** - MMBop (by Hanson) or some other annoying song... play over the announcements until a certain number of students/staff donate money. “Make MBBop Stop!” - Great fundraiser!

121. **Dunk Tank** - This is always a great event at the Homecoming Football Game or pre-game party or at the end of the year BBQ. Make sure to get teachers and students to volunteer!

122. **Human Ice Cream Sundae** - Need an incentive to reach a challenge? How about offer staff up to be turned into a Human Sundae?? Put them on a table, with a tarp, start adding the ice cream, the chocolate sauces, the whip cream, and more. Don’t forget the goggles (and a shower) for the teachers!
123. **Kiss a Pig** - Another great incentive for teacher/staff member! Whoever earns the most money in a can (over several weeks) has to kiss a pig in front of the entire staff!

124. **Chill Week after Finals** - Finals are over, HURRAY! So have laid back/chill events at lunch... bubbles, mediation, yoga, sweet treats, henna tattoos, and whatever you can think of that will help everyone chill out!

125. **Turkey Bowl Football** - Get a group of teachers and students out over Thanksgiving week, or even Alumni and have a flag football game at your school. Make it informal, but fun! Tell people to bring their family members!

126. **Cookies Show You Care** - Never underestimate the power of homemade cookies. Send them to your cheerleaders, or your thespians, or pep band as a thank you! Staff loves them too! Have each student make them at home or buy the ingredients and make them together in the Home Ec room!

127. **Where’s Waldo? or Where’s Wolfie Find the Furbie, Spot Sparty** - Create a mini paper (or stuff animal) mascot or Waldo (from the books) and hide him throughout your commons and halls. Once found (write instructions on the back) bring to the ASB room at the end of school for a treat!

128. **Lunch Lady Day** - Seriously, do you even know your cafeteria staff’s name? If not, you should! How about cooking them a nice meal for a day? Create invitations, decorate, cook, and serve them! Don’t forget it’s your job to clean up too!

129. **Giant Twister** - great idea for an assembly! Make your own or tape several games together!

130. **Cocoa and Cram** - great to host in the library before finals. Offer free cocoa and offer teachers in to help. Try and get student tutors there as well!

131. **Host Middle and Elementary Leadership Conference Day ran by ASB** - we are crafting our young leaders! Work with Principals at each school to send youngsters with potential to hone in on their leadership skills! Games, goal setting, activities, being a good leader, etc. are all great topics!

132. **Teacher Car Wash** - it’s a sunny afternoon in May and your ASB class needs to get out - create a car wash list (working with custodians and staff) to help out your teachers!

133. **Create Chemo Bags** for those fighting Cancer – Check out Matt’s Chemo Bags from Hillsboro HS in Oregon! [http://mattschemobags.com/](http://mattschemobags.com/)

134. **Give away Free Pets** - Buy some Goldfish for 10 cents or buy a dozen mice or baby chicks!

135. **Have A Juggling Contest** - Balloons, balls, juggling bats - for fun, try group juggling. Great for a lunchtime activity or assembly!

136. **Have a Yo-Yo Contest** - Invite experiences Yo-Yo’s to come in and show off their skills!

137. **Have a Zombie Dress Up Day**! - Toilet paper, torn sheets, some fake blood and white face paint! You can buy toilet paper in bulk and have a “Turn yourself into a Zombie Zone” before school.

138. **Swap Meet** - Everyone on ASB brings in 3-5 random items (like for a garage sale) and then you put them on in your commons area or lunchroom, price them low, so students can buy them. Encourage teachers to participate too.

139. **Ultimate Frisbee** - Head out to your local field or park and have a night of Ultimate Frisbee

140. **Petting Zoo** - How cool would it be to bring in a small goat, some sheep and some other random farm animals!

141. **Reptile Show** - Check out that big snake! Perfect for a “Welcome to the Jungle” themed week or assembly!

142. **Dress Up Day Ideas:** Stop Light Day, Hipster, Holiday Sweater, Zombie, Black and White, Primary Colors, Vampire, Pajama, Patterns, Polka Dots, Would You Be My Friend If I wore This Day, Tye Dye, V Neck Vendsday, Workout Wednesday, Monday Mustache, Twin Day, Jungle Print, Western, 80’s/Neon, Camouflage, Super Hero, Glamorous,

143. **Cake Walk** - Have cupcakes made or bought and a few pull size cakes and pies, set up numbers on the floor in a circle and kids pay to play, they walk in the circle until the music stops, then you pull a number and that number gets a cupcake or other dessert!

144. **Hot Chocolate and Cider at Break/Winter Mornings** - Who doesn’t like a nice cup of something warm! It’s a cheap idea that can bring a smile to a lot of students!

145. **Pop Tarts** - Great treat to give out to students in the morning!

146. **Chalk Contest** - Have a lot of sidewalk chalk available for students to draw. Get your artists started early, so when students come out they want to join in the fun! Have a prize for the best designs!

147. **Lip Sync** - Each class picks a song, makes costumes, and designs their dance and practices! Then perform it in an assembly!

148. **Clothing Drive** - Collect donations, host a dessert or dinner auction and have an auctioneer work to raffle off bigger items. Great for a parent group and to hold off campus.

149. **Donkey Basketball** - Several national companies will bring in the donkeys, protect your floor, and provide the insurance! All you do is provide the teachers and students to ride and pay admission! Can be a great fundraiser!

150. **Giving Tree** - Get a Christmas tree and connect with your local elementary or middle schools and create a list of tags for the trees to help students in needs for the holidays.

151. **Senior Good Bye** - How do you send off your Seniors? You can sell Roses, Lei’s, Sweet treats and more to help send your Seniors away from your school.

152. **Car Wash** - Host a car wash in your parking lot or during Teacher Appreciation Week, have staff members sign up to get their

153. **Silent Auction** - Collect Donations, host a dessert or dinner auction and have an auctioneer work to raffle off bigger items. Great for a parent group and to hold off campus.

154. **Make Your Own Tie Dye** - Great for a Cross Country event - have all members of your ASB bring in their own tall socks and tie dye them a day or two before the XC meet and go out and support the team! Also a fun lunch activity or Spirit Week event.

155. **Garden Club** - There has to be a teacher or two who love to garden, encourage them to beautify your school!

156. **Outdoor Club** - Fishing trips, a beach clean up, run your grill at tailgaters, river rafting, wilderness safety- this has been one of our best clubs at school.

157. **Fireworks** - Have you ever thought of having fireworks after your Homecoming game or Graduation! It’s not as expensive as you might think and it’s a great surprise!
160. **Blindfold Drive** - Collect blankets for babies in need or make felt blankets as a class.
161. **Forsyth County History Month Ideas**: Slide Show with facts, Timeline, Daily Announcements. This in History. Assembly with a speaker.
162. **Arts Week**: How can you work to celebrate and show off your art students and teachers? Plan a week of events that celebrate your musicians, your photographers, digital artists, thespians and more. We have an art gallery, decorate car windows, share facts about art on our daily announcements, have “Make Your Own Art” stations, give henna tattoos, chalk drawing contest, face painting, hula hooping, monologues, and more!
163. **Scoop for the Cause** - Buy a bunch of ice cream and toppings and charge $1 for ice cream and endless toppings and raise money to support your cause.
164. **Soccer Spirit Scarves** - These were a HUGE Hit! We bought scarves to sell and support our sports teams. Pictured to the right. We paid $8 for the scarves and sold them for $13 and sold 300 in few days!
165. **A King or Queen for a Day** - Sell raffle tickets to be chauffeured to class for the day with your own coffee, lunch, and someone to carry your books. It’s best if the “Chair” is placed on display to advertise! Maybe throw in a Snuggy for fun!
166. **Neon Out & Fundraiser** - Have a pack the gym night for your big game. Have everyone wear Neon and you can sell spirit shirts (a few days before) that clearly say “BEAT” !” against your rival team, these were a HUGE hit.
167. **Grilled Cheese Grill** - Who doesn’t like to have a grilled cheese? Buy the bread, the butter, the cheese and a few George Foreman grills! Don’t forget a Crock Pot of tomato soup!
168. **Prom Sponsors** - You are hosting an event and people need flowers, restaurant reservations, hair appointments, tanning, nails,
169. **Game Night Sponsors** - Connect with your local favorite hang out, a Pizza place, a restaurant, or the mall shop - promote that everyone goes to that place after the game and then you get 10-20% of each.
170. **Service Learning trips** - Organize a trip to your local food bank, soup kitchen.
171. **#1Fan** - Have your cheerleaders pick a weekly #1 fan who get a shirt that says #1 Fan with spirit beads, a pom-pom and have your mascot deliver it in class the next day after the big game.
172. **Spirit Couch** - Get an old couch at Goodwill.
173. **Spirit Headbands** - Get headbands printed with your school colors and spirit group name - these sell out fast!
174. **Mr. Sexy Legs, Miss Pretty Eyes** – Put people's legs and/or eyes on cans and people vote with money! Give a Burger King Crown and Bragging Rights to the winner! Keep all your proceeds! Kids can take their cans around and collect more money!
175. **Gift Wrap** – Around the holidays have people bringing their presents and give a donation for gift wrapping services.
176. **Coffee Delivery** – Work with your local coffee shop on a deal, take orders, get money, then get the coffee and deliver it to teachers. Split the costs with the coffee shop.
177. **Balloon Bouquets** – Sell holiday or birthday bouquets with Candy to be delivered at school — all you need is helium, balloons and candy.
178. **Rubber Duck Sale** – Sell rubber ducks, number them, get donations, then float them down your local river! Once they cross the line, the Duck wins it’s owner the associated prize!
179. **Casino Night** – Have teachers and parents be the dealers, sell chips at the door, all proceeds raise go to your cause, chips can buy prizes.
180. **Wreath Sale** – Sell holiday wreaths, talk to your local flower shop or Christmas Tree farm.
181. **Bingo Night and Chili Feed** – Serve chili and play Bingo!
182. **Senior Date/Athlete/Musician/ Date Auction** – ask Juniors and Seniors to be raffled off for a date. The date can be creative or just dinner and a movie. Assign an MC and give students numbers to bid
183. **Crafty Fundraiser** -Have a table with hand-made crafted items; sell raffle tickets (say, for $5). Everyone's a winner!
184. **Trike-A-Thon** -The kids will love this great fundraising event! Young children get donations per lap that they will ride on their tricycles on a given day or flat donations. Hold this event on a Saturday or Sunday so the parents can come cheer the kids on! Works well with scooters or roller skates too
185. **Guessing Game Jar** -Let your imagination run wild with this great fundraising idea. For instance, in February place a jar filled with candy hearts! People pay a predetermined amount to guess how many are in the jar! Keep the jar out for 1-2 weeks (you do not want to keep it out too long as people may get bored!), the person who is the closest, gets to take home whatever is in the jar!
186. **Candy Grams** -During Parent Conferences, students would sell Candy Grams. A Candy Gram is a message with a Piece of Candy to it. Parents would send someone in the School a message and they would get it in their classroom as a surprise. Friends of any child in the school can also send to another child in the school.
187. **Raise Funds by Bowling For Bucks** -An bowling fundraiser is another fun way to raise funds. The group event is simple to put together. Simply arrange with a bowling alley to rent a group of lanes, or the entire building, and start soliciting teams. People can get sponsored for pledges per pin or just donates in general. Put a spin on it and make it a costume theme!
188. **Halloween Insurance** Charge neighbors $10 to have Halloween insurance. If a pumpkin is smashed, a tree is TP’d or any other Halloween mischief, you come the next day to clean it up! If not, you keep the money!
189. **Dress-up your car** - Pay to have art students paint your car with car paint after school on Fridays before football games to show spirit! You can decorate for people or they can pay and decorate their own.
190. **Giant Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament** - $1 entry, everyone matches up, the best two out of three win, then the winners match up and play again, keep going until a low number of participants are reached, then have a $5 buy in to get back into the game – the final winner get’s half the profits or a prize
191. **Car Wash** - Have groups of students volunteer to wash teachers and student cars after school. – Great for teacher appreciation week or as a fundraiser!
192. **Cow Pie Bingo** - rope off a section of grass, borrow a cow, make a grid and have people pay to buy a square. If the cow does it’s business, they win part of the profits!
193. **Holiday Carolers** – Pay to have your school choir come and sing to students or teachers during class. You can sing Love songs on Valentine’s Day!
194. **Baseball Marathon** - Get friends and family to sponsor you and give your school money if you can stay awake and play baseball for 24 hours. You can also charge admission to watch the game. Works well with dancing, running, video games, etc.

195. **Badminton, 5 v 5 soccer tourney, Dodgeball, Volleyball** - sign up a team, get the gym or field space, charge a few dollars to play, sign waivers and have an awesome event! Don't forget a staff team!

196. **API/IB Good Luck Care Package** - This is an awesome fundraiser! Get some pencils, water, snacks, other treats and personalized notes and market this to the student's parents a few weeks before testing starts.

197. Spring Cleaning - Advertise your help for yard work, cleaning out the garage, helping to sort the the holiday decor, and planting the new bulbs for spring and summer! A great team effort and fundraiser.

198. **TED Talk** - Host auditions, set a theme and time limit, show off the brilliance of your students. Partner with a language arts or speech and debate teacher! Don't forget to sell concessions charge admission, and record them to post later online.

199. **Saturday Night Live** - A new take on the old Talent Show! Hold auditions, get staff involved, get ready for a night of fun!

200. **Senior Cap and Gown walk to Elementary Schools** - you've seen this online and it's an awesome opportunity for your Seniors to give back and inspire the students in their younger years. Reach out plenty of time in advance, the PTSA might be a great place to start, along with the Elementary school principal and secretaries! A great project for the Senior Class Council!

201. **ASB Binder** - Each student creates a binder throughout the year, a great point of reference and reflection. Sections Include: Who’s Who at Our School, ASB Contacts, ASB Constitution, ASB Goals, Project Planning Tools and Proposals, Weekly/Monthly Log, etc. - Make it work for you!

202. **Photos of Student Leaders** - We want our student leaders to be accessible but with such big schools, sometimes they get lost in the crowd. Find a place - the main office, the ASB room, or a busy hall and post student pictures and their names, if appropriate, give a contact email or information. This is also a great idea to put on your ASB website!

203. **Club Calendar** - usually our schools have awesome clubs but it’s hard to know when and where they meet. Create an online document (Google Forms could help you!) and also make a visible calendar in the commons area or cafeteria!

204. **Calendar Planning Retreat** - This is an awesome way to welcome your new officers in the spring. Play icebreakers and games and then work together to plan out August through June of the upcoming year. Get your sports schedules, testing dates, school calendar ahead of time and buy or make giant (3x3ft.) poster of each month so that you can write in key events and dates. Have some student leaders facilitate this process, while others take notes. If possible, fill out building use forms to help reserve your space!

205. **Staff Shout Outs** - Find a space that staff pass by frequently, create a themed bulletin board, make double copied papers that you can have staff and students write about staff - post it on the board and give a copy to the teacher!

206. **Hungry Hungry Hippo** - an EPIC rally game that involves little scooters, baskets or paper boxes, small balls or balloons and it’s a TON of fun! Visuals can be found online!

207. **Free Positive Thoughts** - Take one - simple and easy, cut small strips on the bottom and write items like HOPE, COURAGE, LOVE and post around your school.

208. **Guest Speakers from City Council, School Board, Local Universities** - you never know who might come and speak to your class or school about leadership, it's always worth asking! It's great to see leadership in the real world.

209. **THINK posters** - important for Social Media - is it True, is it Helpful, is it Inspiring? is it Necessary? is it Kind?

210. **Marshmallow Challenge** - a fun team building activity, connected to a great website and TED Talk - you will need a bag of Marshmallows, string, tape, and spaghetti noodles!

211. **Lollipop Leadership** - a favorite TED Talk - also goes well with a bag of lollipops!

212. **Alumni Spotlight** - a short write of up of previous alumni and their current career and path to get there. Great outside of the counseling office and include a picture! Rotate throughout the year.

213. **Rocking Retreats** - River rafting, camping, a ropes course, sleepover at the school! A summer retreat or a mid-year retreat is an awesome mojo making event for any ASB!

214. **Favorite Speakers** - Some of my personal favorite are Keith Hawkins, Tyler Durman, Mike Smith Live, Patrick Mauer, Harriet Turk, Phil Boyle and Kevin Laue! I've heard many more and

215. **Prom Promotion** - Teachers Prom Pics on display or created into a video are always a fun way to get students excited about Prom and see some of your teachers with hair!

216. **New Student Welcome Video by ASB**! This is a super fun project for the end of the year, divide students into groups, with different areas around school and create a welcome video for the new year! Work with counselors and Link Crew to make sure you don’t miss anything!

217. **DUDE. be nice** - check it out online and be inspired to create a mission of nice at your school! Awesome attire, cool videos, and another great speaker in Brent Camalich

218. **icanhelp** - Check out this awesome organization to help create awareness about your digital footprint and combat online bullying - http://www.icanhelpdeletenegativity.org/

219. **Welcome to the ASB Room** - How do you greet people who come into your classroom? As we try to be welcome and inviting, some kids are nervous or scared to come into your ASB room - create an attitude/saying/etc. That you can do when people come into your classroom!

220. **Rotation Stations** - nobody likes to clean up the paint sink, but if you create small groups and stations, you can share these jobs. Stations could be Poster Patrol, ASB Room Cleaning, Check in with our Support Staff, Weekly Ice Breakers, Recycling Rotation and any other jobs needed at your school - your mini-team will be in charge of these tasks and you rotate each week!
Bonus!! Auction Basket Ideas – Great to help with Fundraising!

1. 50 Shades Of Makeup – eyeliner, lipstick, lotions and more!
2. Are We There Yet – snacks, car games, book on CD, maps, sunglasses.
3. Art Lovers Basket – paint, clay, paper, hot glue guns, stickers, scissors, ribbons, and a canvas.
4. The Spa Basket – relaxation products, bath gels, lotions, spa gift cards, massage supplies, herbal teas and lavender sachets, soft music cd’s, fluffy slippers and bathrobe.
5. The Date Night Basket – restaurant gift cards, movie gift cards, popcorn and movie candy.
7. Memory Making Basket – disposable camera, scrapbook, scrapbooking supplies like scissors, glue, stickers, ribbons and embellishments.
8. International Basket – a selection of items from different cultures, cookbooks, non-perishable food items, culture specific tableware like chopsticks, fondue pots, BBQ supplies, tortilla warmers. This idea can be crafted towards a blend of cultures or you may select one culture to focus on. Additionally, this basket idea could be tweaked into an Olympic themed basket.
9. Pet Lover's Basket – Cat or Dog themed, create a selection of pet toys, pet treats, a pet themed photo frame, a gift card for use at a local pet groomer, or even a certificate for a donation to a pet-friendly charity.
10. Gift Card Basket – feature a basket with a selection of gift cards from various establishments around your community. These certificates may include restaurants, gym memberships, retail stores, grocery stores, gas cards and more.
11. Baby Basket – create a basket with all the items a new parents would need for their baby. Medicines, diaper rash cream, blankets, bibs, wipes, diapers, lotions and toiletries, soft music cd, books and more.
12. Off to College Basket – a supply of non-perishable foods, organizers, totes, laundry supplies, small household items and stationery.
14. Weekend Getaway Basket – a gift card to a bed and breakfast or hotel, a gas card, a small bottle of champagne and glasses, snacks for the car and brochures from local tourist destinations.
15. Dessert Lover’s Basket: smaller denomination restaurant and cafe gift certificates displayed on a cute dessert plate
16. Day to Be Pampered: manicure, massage, haircut, home cooked dinner delivered to your door
17. Head to Toe Makeover: eyebrow shaping, massage, Pilates lessons, acupuncture, pedicure
18. Do-It-Yourself Spa Basket: bath products, CD of relaxing music, candles
19. Wine Basket: bottle of red wine, chocolates, night at a hotel
20. Honey-Do Package: hammer, work gloves, hardware store gift card, massage
21. Car Wash/Care Basket: big bucket, gift card for oil change, car wash mitt and soap, tire brush, rags for drying your car
22. VIP Graduation Night Package: VIP seats at graduation, gift card for nice restaurant
23. Gardener’s Delight Basket: landscape designer consultation, gift certificate to local nursery, load of compost delivered, bag of bulbs, watering can, seeds, gardening gloves, wheelbarrow, kneeling pad
24. Try Your Luck Lottery Basket: basket of lottery scratch tickets
25. Baker’s Delight Basket: cookbook, apron, cookie cutters, cookie decorations, measuring cups and spoons, rolling pin

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