

## THE ABC'S OF KIKER FUNDRAISING

Have you ever wondered where all the money goes from Kiker fundraisers? The PTA sponsors some fundraisers and Kiker administration and staff sponsor others. Hopefully, this document will ease confusion that may be created by requests for donations for PTA and school fundraisers. Additionally, it will allow you to pick and choose which fundraisers you wish to support. Rest assured, all of the money raised goes toward supporting and improving programs at our school! Kiker receives money in these ways...

### PTA Fundraisers

FUNDRAISER	DESCRIPTION	DATE
<b>Love Your School</b>	This is the primary PTA fundraiser for the 2011-2012 school year. Cash or online donations are 100% tax deductible and 100% of the proceeds go directly to the Kiker PTA.	October (options available for ongoing donations throughout the year)
<b>Kiker T-shirts, Water Bottles and Book Cover sales</b>	Kiker t-shirts, water bottles and book covers are sold at Back To School events and throughout the year.	Fall and throughout year, as inventory allows
<b>Pavers</b>	Commemorative sidewalk stones with special messages to students and teachers, are sold and placed in the star walkway in the front of the school.	Spring
<b>Pre-ordered School Supplies</b>	Packaged school supply kits which are customized to Kiker's class lists.	Pre-order in Spring, pick up in Fall
	PTA donations are used to support various PTA sponsored items such as, each classroom teacher receives funding to be used for materials and supplies; Roaring Readers Program; and teacher appreciation events.	

## Kiker Fundraisers

FUNDRAISER	DESCRIPTION	USE OF FUNDS	DATE
<b>Applebee's Pancake Breakfast</b>	Teachers and other staff members serve pancakes to students and families at Applebee's restaurant.	Classroom support materials and faculty development	September
<b>Art Fundraiser</b>	Your child's artwork can become custom created novelties and is available for purchase.	Art supplies, equipment and other special art projects	September
<b>Book Fairs (2)</b>	Books are available for purchase for all ages.	Library clerk salary, library books and supplies	November and May
<b>Track and Field Day</b>	Students participate in a full day of athletic events. Donated snacks and prizes are available for purchase.	Physical education equipment and P.E. supplies for school wide use	Fall
<b>Golf Tournament Dinner/Dance Silent Auction</b>	Community wide event including a golf tournament, dinner, dance and silent auction of community donated items.	The majority of this money is spent on personnel; XLR8 teacher and teaching assistants. Additional expenditures include: professional development for staff members; and classroom materials and supplies.	May
<b>Partners In Education</b> You can find our current partners on our website.	Building and maintaining relationships with area businesses, as well as utilizing these partnerships to support the preparation of students for college, career and life. Kiker receives commissions when various area businesses such as restaurants, salons, etc., are supported; for example, Kiker Nights	The majority of this money is spent on classroom support materials, such as student planners for grades 3-5.	Year- Round  Watch the Comments for date and times.

**THANK YOU** for your support of the PTA and Kiker fundraisers! Our children benefit so much from these programs and activities that set Kiker apart from other schools.

**As a Kiker parent, you can help us move forward** successfully together by:

- ✓ **Focusing on attendance** - every day a student is absent costs AISD \$45 in state revenue;
- ✓ **Understanding** your child's teacher is working hard daily toward the success of our children and thrives on your patience and support.
- ✓ **Participating** in volunteerism or fundraisers, in whichever way best supports your family.

For those of you who would like more specific information as to what the school district pays for and what Kiker PTA/Fundraising/PIE and Enrichment Fees funds are used for, read on...

Items typically funded through local school district .

**Typically funded by the local school district:**

1. Basic staff allocations
2. Building maintenance, electricity, water
3. Textbooks and other materials
4. Aside from the top three, we are provided approximately \$59 per student to pay for items such as:
  - Cafeteria monitors
  - SPED in addition to IDEA\$
  - Subs for teachers
  - General student supplies
  - Copiers/RISO
  - Books for library
  - Fine Arts supplies
  - Buses for field trips
  - Custodial supplies
  - Clerical overtime

**Typically funded at local school level by fundraisers, Kiker PTA, enrichment fees and/or PIE**

This money allows us to cover costs such as:

**Key Positions:**

- Teaching Assistant for grades K-2
- XLR8 Teacher and Assistant for grades 3-5
- Library Assistant
- Computer Technicians

**Other examples of items this money pays for:**

- Workshops/Trainings for teachers
- Take Flight Program/training (dyslexia)
- Literacy Library books
- Subs for these trainings @ \$120 per sub
- Breakfast for Faculty Development meetings
- Teacher/student supplies
- Student planners
- Periodicals for students
  - i. Social studies weekly
  - ii. Scholastic
  - iii. Weekly reader
  - iv. Time for kids
  - v. Quick books
  - vi. Mentoring minds
- Periodicals for Staff, ie Education Weekly
- Technology
- Innovative learning stations/desks
- AV equipment
- Books for library/AR/ Comp. monitors
- Author visits
- Art tables and printers
- Art supplies and incentives
- PE equipment
- Science Lab/Courtyard items and upkeep
- Most field trips except buses
- Charter Buses for 4<sup>th</sup> grade
- Camp Allen for 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Charter Buses for 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Planetarium for 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade pool party
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade graduation memorabilia and décor
- Class t-shirts
- Birthday pencils
- Postage
- Scholarships
- Extra custodial supplies

These lists are not comprehensive and sometimes change year to year based on generations of funds, income, costs and priorities.