



Polson Youth Soccer Association, Inc.

Fundraising Policy

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As a non-profit organization, PYSA must rely on sponsorship and fundraising to fund a sizable portion of its annual budget. The fees charged to players do not cover all expenses of PYSA. A Fundraising Committee has been organized to administer fundraising activities. In order to benefit as many players as possible, fundraisers should, if possible, be league wide. This will reduce local businesses being approached several times in one season, will reduce multiple teams doing overlapping fundraisers, and will ensure that league wide expenses are given priority over individual team expenditures.

However, we recognize that this requires significant organization, and if the league is not already raising funds for a specific purpose, individual teams may raise funds on their own. PYSA teams may wish to raise funds to cover various team costs including, but not limited to, tournament fees, travel expenses, team apparel, and/or equipment. PYSA supports this, so long as any team fundraiser does not interfere or overlap with an existing league wide effort.

I. Fundraising Description

League wide fundraising activities include:

1. grants;
2. business/corporate donations;
2. business/corporate sponsorships (banners at fields, fall jerseys, website advertising);
3. hosting tournaments; and
4. one league wide social event per year.

Team fundraising activities include:

1. team social events as long as no conflict with league wide event;
2. car wash;
3. business discount card program (i.e. Pizza Hut cards);
4. bake sale; and
5. sale of goods (i.e. candy bars, cookies, coffee, candles, etc.).

These lists are not exclusive. Other fundraisers may be held as long as they are in compliance with PYSA Mission Statement and PYSA Fundraising Policy. Individual teams are discouraged from soliciting money and goods directly from businesses as that interferes with PYSA's corporate sponsorship program.

II. Approval

1. All fundraisers must be approved by the PYSA Fundraising Committee and PYSA Board before they are advertised. The Fundraiser Approval Form can be downloaded from PYSA's website.
2. Certain types of fundraisers may be prohibited by state or federal law due to PYSA's non-profit status. The PYSA Treasurer can help advise teams on acceptable fundraisers to hold.
3. Any team fundraiser which overlaps with, or is expected to interfere with, a league wide fundraiser may be denied. We strongly encourage teams to communicate with the PYSA Fundraising Committee early in the planning process to avoid any conflicts.
4. Teams are discouraged from scheduling similar fundraisers at the same time.

III. Advertising

1. Teams are responsible for all advertising costs for team fundraisers.
2. PYSA general funds will be used to advertise league wide fundraisers.

IV. Finances

1. Teams must provide the PYSA Treasurer with an accounting of all income and expenses related to a fundraiser on the Fundraiser Report, which can be downloaded from PYSA's website.
2. All income from a team or league wide fundraiser must be turned into the PYSA Treasurer. The PYSA Treasurer will then disburse funds to the team. This is for accounting purposes under PYSA's non-profit status.
3. Funds must be used for activities directly related to the team.
4. Any donations of merchandise or equipment must be cataloged and reported to the PYSA Treasurer. Again, this is for accounting purposes under PYSA's non-profit status.