In this fundraiser, your group can grab a couple of toilets and decorate them in school colors for this endeavor. You can tweak or determine the prices for this fundraiser as you see fit. This fundraiser usually causes no issues as those who pay to place the item at a home or business are well acquainted or friends just trying to have fun. For $10, you can have one of the tacky toilets placed anywhere you choose, including local businesses or someone’s home. To have the potty removed, the recipient must pay $15. A second option is to pay $10 to have it passed on to someone else. If someone decides to be a “potty pooper” the group will remove the toilet for no charge. The team offers “potty protection insurance” for $25. This insurance ensures that the potties will not be delivered to your home or business. Groups have conducted this fundraiser that resulted in some cases more than $1,000.
Butter Braid Bread is another great fundraiser that has netted great results for local schools and individual students attending events. The margins are great and the effort of success is minimal. Follow the link above to find a local Butter Braid Bread distributor who will offer more detailed information for next steps. This usually involves them coming to your school and meeting with you and your students, bringing samples or bread for your group, and discussing all details. Typically, each loaf sells for $12.00 and $5.00 goes to the Club. Some schools set it up so that the first 3 loaves a student sells go to the Club account, and after those 3, $3-$4 of each loaf sold goes to an account for the student to take off on their cost for a conference.
50/50 RAFFLE

50/50 raffles may be the easiest fundraiser. The only cost is buying the roll of tickets. They’re great because they have a short turnaround time, and there are no overhead costs. Sometimes the person who wins will even donate the winnings back to the trip for the kids! This has the potential to make thousands if started early enough.

RESTAURANT DONATION NIGHTS

Restaurant nights can be a simple fundraiser; you just have to get the word out for people to go on your designated night. Find a restaurant that agrees to support your fundraiser. Example: Chipotle offers the best deal out of all the restaurants I looked at. They will give you 50% of the proceeds.

*This only applies to participating restaurants/chains.
DOUGHNUT EATING CONTEST / SALES FUNDRAISER

Whoever eats six doughnuts the fastest wins the contest, which was designed to raise money for the specific upcoming GCCE competition. To enter the contest, you pay $10. The winner gets $50, or a price determined fair based on the number of participants. A donations jar will be placed at the scene, as well as selling a dozen doughnuts at the price you determine. Several doughnut chains often give schools discounts on doughnut sells. Your school can make money through 3 revenue sources with this fundraiser: 1) participant entry, 2) donation jar, 3) doughnut sells at the event.

THE GREAT GROWN-UP SPELLING BEE

Spelling bees can sometimes be torture for students. Why not consider an adult spelling bee for fundraising and to let the school staff/parents see how hard it can be? Most schools hold spelling bees so setting one up should be fairly easy. Your group can select up to 20 parents/faculty members, or as many as you deem necessary. Set an entrance fee per entry (can be $50). The adults are responsible for getting sponsorship to pay the entry fee, or if they choose to pay the entry fee out of pocket. Your group can order a trophy for the winner through entry funds. This fundraiser can net easily $1,000 if not more depending on entry fee and sponsorships the entrants find.
**THE POWER OF CHANGE: PENNY WARS**

Set out plastic bins or containers in front of each grade level/classroom/advisement group/homeroom/etc. Every morning people can put pennies in them, or they can sabotage other teams by dropping cash in (every dollar cancels out 100 pennies). The team with the most pennies wins – pizza party, breakfast party from Chick-fil-A, etc.? You may want to define better where buckets are placed, who monitors the donations, etc. Something cheap. Based on averages, you could make over $700 in 3 months.

**CANDY JAR COUNT**

Another example of a quick and easy fundraiser with low overhead but fun results. All you need is a large jar that you can fill up with candy (M&Ms, Skittles, or Candy Corn are a prime choice) and tickets you can sell for staff and students to take a guess at how many candies are in the jar. You can either offer the candy as the prize, or have different prizes (gift card prize or cash prize)
GIFT CARD RAFFLE

Have students or parents of students make a list of local businesses (restaurants, automotive, retails, etc.) and have students contact business management to seek a gift card donation for your local fundraiser. Then raffle your gift cards. This is a great fundraiser. Then sell raffle tickets for $1.00 or whatever you deem appropriate.

STUDENT PERSONAL DONATION REQUESTS

The Georgia Center for Civic Engagement has a template letter that is individual student driven. The letter is customizable depending on the upcoming event. The Coach or the parents of the students can determine where donations are returned to. Students determine the amount needed to raise via donation requests. Students also should determine who they will seek out donation requests from: family members, local businesses, etc. For a copy of this sample letter, please email the GCCE staff at info@georgiacivics.org, or visit our online resource library.