BRAINSTORMING IDEAS

2006 KAY UNIT CONFERENCES "KAY KALEIDOSCOPE" STUDENT ACTIVITY



During January and February 2006, 12 KAY Unit Conferences were conducted across Kansas. At each conference, student delegates participated in a 15 minute activity entitled "KAY Kaleidoscope".

In "KAY Kaleidoscope", KAY delegates were divided into 8 groups (by name tag color). Within these color groups they were divided once again into 6 groups. Each group was given a piece of paper with one of the 6 KAY Objectives (Character, Health, Service, Appreciation, Recreation, Leadership). Each small group was asked to brainstorm activity ideas based on the "objective" they were given and write them down on the paper given. After 10 minutes the group leaders asked each small group to share a couple of their ideas with the entire color group.

At the end of the activity, the group leaders collected the pages of ideas which were in turn given to the state director. The following 6 pages are a product of this activity.

I hope you will find this information useful and a means to propel you into a strong finish for the 2005-06 school year.



Red = CHARACTER

(Laugh, Love, Lift)

Brainstorming ideas from 2006 KAY Unit Conference activity "KAY Kaleidoscope".

Play games with children in the hospital Community play with k-6th graders Make heart cookies for people Assistance at animal shelter Perform plays at day care centers Conduct a carnival for kids **Rose Exchange** Read to children Host Elementary Carnival Adopt grandparents Make cards for people **Romanic Dinner** Send back packs to troops Clean-up around town **Conduct food drive Conduct Toy Drive** Canned food drive **Clean yards** Clothes to thrift shop, good will Organize crafts fair Flower grams Shovel driveways Users are losers/Hugs not drugs Foreign Exchange students bowling night Trick-or-canning Dodge ball tournament Tutor grade school students Conduct school-wide leadership seminar Wash teachers cars Conduct blood drive School-wide Character-building assembly Donate old glasses to Lions Club Make a wish foundation Community wide basketball tournament Run errands for senior citizens Recycle Wash windows down town Assist at rescue mission **Clean up cemeteries** Open a hang out spot Promote participation in school activities Assist custodians Manicures and pedicures at care home Book bags for Katrina victims **Beautify school grounds** Host fun night for young children Work at homeless shelter for a day

Visit nursing home – play games, read Valentine Tea at nursing home Kindergarteners sing at nursing home Provide assistance to disabled people **Sponsor a Valentines Dance** Sponsor a Comedy Show, Talent Show Adopt a teacher Lip Sync contest at HS Bingo at local care home Make baskets with supplies Sponsor a Movie Day **Operation Christmas Child** May baskets to "Meals on Wheels" Clean-up along roadways Gift baskets for needy Volunteer at pre-school Assist at soup kitchen Clean public areas Visit hospital Fruit basket for senior center Sell carnations **Conduct Fun Fair Costume Dance** Pennies for patients Secret pals Anger management seminar Organize game night Buy Christmas trees for needy Veterans appreciation party Welcome baskets for new students & teachers Write parent thank you note Habitat for Humanity Arbor day – plant trees in community Decorate nursing home patient doors Walk peoples dogs Rake and run Walk children home from school Adopt children over seas Paint with children Street dance **Assist with Special Olympics Random Acts of Kindness** Baby sit at parent/teacher conferences Serve lunch to school cooks Term paper bags Scavenger hunt with children Charity concert

White = HEALTH (Physical & Mental)

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Blood Drive Walk-a-thon for child abuse St. Jude's fund raiser **Distribute healthy food** Organize exercise programs **Community health classes** Close candy machines for a day Speaker about positive attitudes Promote washing hands often Have healthy snack day Heart screening for athletes Drug awareness week Outside activity day Yoga day Environmental clean up **Volunteer for Special Olympics** Secure nutritionist to speak at school Crop walk Teach personal hygiene to children Hula Hoop contest Speaker on STD's No fried foods Friday Hearing tests **Blood pressure screening** Organize teens against underage drinking Walk to school (don't drive for a week) Slow Down Week (avoid fast foods) Home health awareness 3 on 3 tournaments Sports-a-thon **Prevent Bullies Teach CPR** Monthly Counselor Assembly Eye exams Pass out healthy snacks after recess Eating disorders session **Red Ribbon Week HIV** awareness Horseshoe tournament

Relay for Life American Cancer society fund raiser March of Dimes activity Posters to promote healthy habits Assembly with health speaker Organize walk for life **Teach elderly people aerobics Dodge ball tournament** Hydrate – drink lots of water **Diabetic screening** "Kick Junk Food" week Fruit week Plant trees (oxygen) Canned food drive Fitness day Provide healthy care packages Cancer walk Post nutrition facts around school Sport buddies **Obesity awareness** Jump rope for Heart Organize flu shots distribution **Body fat tests** Great American Smoke-out Organize "Biggest loser" contest at school **Conduct Mini Health Fair** Send first aid kits to Katrina victims Hoops for heart Donate \$\$ for breast cancer Stress relief club **General First Aid course** Provide classroom first aid kits **Dental screening** Sponsor a nature walk Sponsor a physical fitness club Clean up walking paths Amount of sleep needed each night Scrabble tournament

Blue = SERVICE (School, Community, Nation, World)

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Yard work at school Send cards to soldiers Trick or treat for UNICEF Recycle Plant trees in memory of veterans **Big Brothers/Big Sisters** Organize community street dance/block party Organize community wide baby sitting Appreciation program Misc. Auction Canned food bingo Pick up trash on highways Donate to needy organizations Paint fire hydrants **Clothing Drive** Adopt a child **Coat Drive** Deck the Halls class competition Activity night at school Veterans Day assembly/dinner Clean up gym after game Paint gym rails Hovel snow Thanksgiving for foreign exchange students Slave auction Holiday placemats for care home Plant and maintain flower pots downtown Skate-a-thon Horse rides for handicapped children Academic assembly In charge of school marquee Homework time for grade school School wide breakfast St. Jude's Bike-a-thon Walk and bathe dogs Mow lawns for elderly HS/Kid bowling league Change batteries in smoke detectors (elderly) Help elderly organize family pictures Clean forgotten areas in town Food drive for EKAN Clean school trophy cases Little KAYS (like Big Brothers/Big Sisters) Place trash containers around town Coloring contests (all ages) Angel tree child Movie night for kids

Plant flowers at school Assistance to Salvation Army Collect/send items to troops Clean elderly citizens yards Help out at soup kitchen Wash fire trucks Park clean-up Community garage sale Can food drive Bake Sale, Car wash Easter baskets Volunteer anywhere **Cake Raffles Teacher Appreciation Elementary Field Day** Hat & glove tree for needy Sportsmanship posters around school **Ronald McDonald Pop tabs** Assistance at Animal Shelter Paint playground equipment Baby sit coaches kids **Clean houses** Put light on outside flag **Recognize local volunteers** Hurricane Relief Establish bike trails School carnival Locks of Love Start "Bully" program **Heifer Project International** Orphan Grain Train Community bake sale Toy bin for Christmas Paint park gazebo Purchase new flags for school Take photos of elderly – give to family Run errands for teachers, coaches, secretaries Change clocks at daylight savings time (elderly) Make/freeze meals for elderly Pennies for Leukemia Community wide clean-up Conduct blood drive Paint house # on curbs Organize overseas pen pals Sweep downtown sidewalks Collect/recycle phone books, cell phones -4-

Yellow = APPRECIATION (Friends, All races, Self)

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Teacher appreciation Hand write thank you notes Thank you video Janitor appreciation (bucket full of snacks) Donuts to police and sheriff dept. Gift certificates Cook breakfast for teachers Cook for the cooks Member appreciation - special dinner Make picture frame for friends Mother/Daughter Tea (Thank mothers) Faculty care packages Thank 4 people a day - see what happens! Appreciation notes to troops Encourage people to join KAY Wash school buses Pennies for patients Dinner for school board Donate food to bread basket Wash teachers cars Janitors day off Student of week, month, year Bake cookies for park rangers Help deliver Meals on Wheels Motivational locker signs for students Talk to elderly about life as teenager Senior citizen card-a-thon Thank you program-booster club, teachers, etc. Perfect attendance party Library appreciation - assist as needed Harvest meals for farmers Mailman – gift Recycle – paper, cans, etc. Write to relatives you haven't seen in a while Gift basket for retiring teacher Thanks referee's Promote student involvement Buy gloves for trash man

Spirit Weeks "This Is Your Life" day for teachers Give balloons, flowers, brownies, etc. **Treat local merchants** Donate tree to park in appreciation of school Appreciate school – clean up day (in and out) Thank you cards for faculty Decorate school for holidays Appreciation to city workers Birthday cakes for elderly Guardian Angel - gifts to athletes & coaches **On-call firefighters lunch** Teddy bears to new mothers in hospitals May baskets to elderly Appreciate nature – rake, mow, plant, trim, etc. Coffee mugs for bus drivers Over seas care kit Thank sponsor for serving club Candy Land for grade school Appreciate athletes – posters on lockers Parents - thanks for all you do Clean gum off of bleacher bottoms Academic party Christmas party for homeless Make a daily thank you goal Plant a tree Silent Auction Gift basket Admit free to games – EMS, police, etc. Musical arts appreciation day Clean house Family - eat a meal together Church appreciation - Soup supper **Recognize birthdays** Knit a scarf for the principal Random acts of kindness Celebrate different heritages Candy grams

Green = RECREATION (Relaxation, Rest, Re-creation)

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Elementary school play day Water war **Powder Puff football** Ping Pong Hide and go seek Camp out Jump Rope for Heart Walk around town – pick up trash Volleyball Tournament Lock in Community soccer team Tae-bo class **Community picnic** Nature walk Mud volleyball tournament 3 on 3 basketball tournament **Candy Land** Dog-a-thon (walk dogs) Sand volleyball tournament Dance Skate-a-thon Scavenger Hunt **Board Game Tournament Community Treasure Hunt** Paper Airplane Contest (build/fly) Movie Night Pumpkin carving contest **Community Pep Rally Golf Tournament** Softball Tournament **Community Bingo Night** Sponsor students to camp **Provide Student Lounge** Iron man volleyball tournament Twister party for elementary students

Dodge Ball tournament HS/Elementary Buddy system Whiffle ball tournament Freeze Tag Membership Game Walk for Life 4th of July Marathon **Donkey Basketball** Walk for Life St. Jude's Bike-a-thon **Pottery class Fishing tournament** Bowling tournament Paint houses Kareoke contest **Bobbing for apples** Haunted House **Corn Maize Kids wrestling Paint Ball** Make a Difference Day Easter Egg Hunt **City-wide Checker Tournament** Watermelon Feed Slumber party **Frisbee Contest Talent Show** Spring Fling **Badminton Tournament** Yoga & Pilates day **Donate sports equipment** Sr. Citizen Olympics Cake decorating contest Ice cream social

Purple = LEADERSHIIP (Citizenship & Caring)

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Provide office assistance Assist teachers after school Start sports teams **Clean houses** Hold class meetings Personally thank city workers Assist with Church Bazaar Volunteer – anywhere, everywhere **Recognize government officials** Fruit baskets to care homes Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House Encourage others to participate Recruit new members **Potluck Dinners** Adopt a child Teach others to be responsible Read books to children Assist teachers with tutoring Cookies to care homes Be good neighbors **Recognize club leaders** Raise/lower flag at school each day Organize a pep club Assist at soup kitchen, homeless shelter Stand up for what is right Recognize students who show admirable qualities Cookies at election day voting places Be a good example for sportsmanship Give to Make a wish foundation **Operation Christmas child** Write letters to troops Plant a tree for arbor day Conduct a charity auction Free car wash for senior citizens Adopt a grandparent and elementary student Mow retired persons yard Donate books to library Donate cow to 3rd world country **Clean trophy cases** Pancake feed Set a good example – be a role model **Recycling bins at school**

Library assistance Host a KAY Conference Play music in the park Fix up run-down houses Leadership assembly Give \$\$ to needy Pick up litter **Paint fire Hydrants** Care packages for troops **Teddy Bear Drive Attend meetings** Attend leadership camps, conferences Rake and Run Clean up community Teach children to fish **Teacher appreciation** Encourage members to serve in leadership roles **Big Brothers/Big Sisters** Help a disabled neighbor **Recognize community leaders** Volunteer at hospital Get involved - Run for school office **Organize** assemblies Play cards at care home Help with city functions Assist young students to make good decisions Start a story hour at library Habitat for Humanity **Pennies for Patients** Tie yellow ribbons around trees Manicures at care home **Repair benches in community Host Veterans Dinner Donate to Food Pantry** Sponsor "Swim for Free" night Appreciation gifts to maintenance crews Plant flowers around town **Bleacher clean-up** Sweep sidewalks downtown Wash police cars and fire trucks Adopt a highway