



**QUESTION: What is the difference between the Madison ASB fundraiser and Madison PTSA fundraiser? Which one should I support?**

**ANSWER: BOTH! Here's why ...**

The Madison ASB (*Associated Student Body*) and the PTSA (*Parent Teacher Student Association*) BOTH do fundraisers during the school year. As you know, state and local funding doesn't come close to providing all that is needed to make Madison a great learning environment where all kids succeed. In order to close the funding gap, both the ASB and the PTSA work separately, but collaboratively, to raise money.

ASB is given no funding from either the state or the district. The only way ASB gets any money is through fundraising. Watch for your chance to contribute to ASB fundraiser(s) to support all ASB activities. These funds are used exclusively for students and their extra-curricular activities:

- Athletics - uniforms, equipment, transportation, referee fees
- Assemblies – educational and spirit
- Guest Speakers
- Student Recognition (Honor Roll, Students of the Month, Dog Tags, Top Dogs)
- Bulldog Bash (afternoon student social activities)
- Spirit Days
- Leadership training
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade End of Year Activities
- Band/Orchestra competitions
- Bulldog Read awards

PTSA funds are raised to support a variety of needs across the classroom and school, along with events and parent engagement activities. A big factor in a successful school is an active and strong PTSA organization. Madison's PTSA budget funds the following:

- Classroom and department grants
- New books for the school library
- Staff Appreciation
- Scholarships and support for families in need
- Technology investment
- Textbooks
- Parent Education

**So that is the ANSWER.** Please do what you can to **support both** of these crucial organizations at Madison. Both are key to making Madison Middle a great place to attend middle school! **Go Bulldogs!**