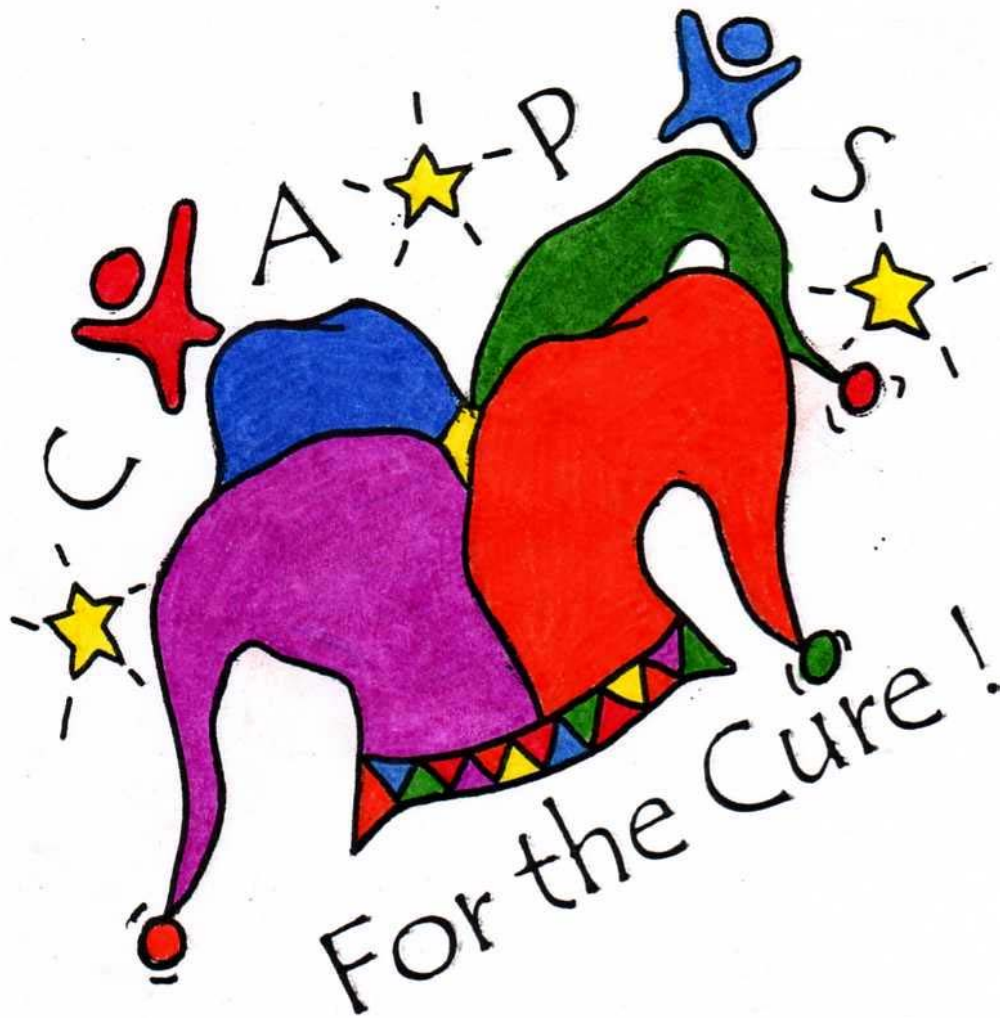


# CAPS FOR THE CURE

Sun Prairie, Wisconsin

Support Research at American Family Children's Hospital



**Children + Action + Participation = Saving Lives**

**CAPS FOR THE CURE** involves kids helping kids by raising money to help with research of children's cancer and providing hope for patients and their families.

## CAPS FOR THE CURE

### Looking Back

**CAPS FOR THE CURE** was the brainchild of Kristina Schultz. Kristina was diagnosed with leukemia on her fourth birthday. She was in remission for 2 ½ years before relapsing in April of 2005 during second grade. She had a bone marrow transplant on August 13, 2005, spending five months in the hospital. Kristina had been an avid fundraiser for AFCH (formerly known as the University of Wisconsin Children's Hospital) and a participant in the Z104 Cure Kids Cancer Radio-thons. After participating in the 2005-06 radio-thons, she thought she could do more to help AFCH, so Kristina came up with the idea to have a **CAPS FOR THE CURE DAY** and to have the Student Councils in each school as the sponsors. She made phone calls to the SC advisors, wrote letters and e-mails and soon had 100% participation of all private and public schools in the Sun Prairie School community. Students could contribute \$1.00 or more to wear their cap in school for the day. Her **CAPS FOR THE CURE DAY** was set for April 27, 2007. Kristina's condition worsened towards the end of 2006, and she had a stem cell transplant in February of 2007. On April 9, 2007, at the age of 9, Kristina lost her battle with leukemia, just a couple weeks before **CAPS FOR THE CURE**. The event proceeded as planned, and her goal of raising \$10,000 was surpassed.

### Looking Ahead

To continue to expand Kristina's dream, we hope that you will join us in your own **CAPS FOR THE CURE DAY**.

Thanking you in advance for all those children who are waiting for a cure for childhood cancer.

Sincerely,  
Terry Twedell  
Mary Taylor  
Coordinators for Caps



Cure Kid's Cancer!

Cure Kid's Cancer  
So we can get kids better faster.

Cure Kid's cancer  
So we can get an answer.

Cure Kid's cancer  
So kids can be better forever after.

Cure kid's cancer  
So send in your dollars.

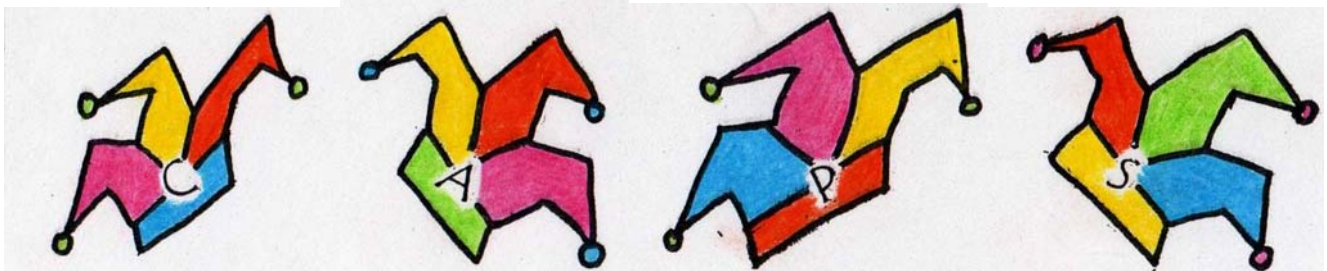
Cure kid's cancer  
So we can meet our goal.

Cure Kid's cancer  
So wear your hat for one dollar or more.

Cure kid's cancer  
Ten thousand dollars is what we're looking for!

## TIMELINE FOR CAPS FOR THE CURE

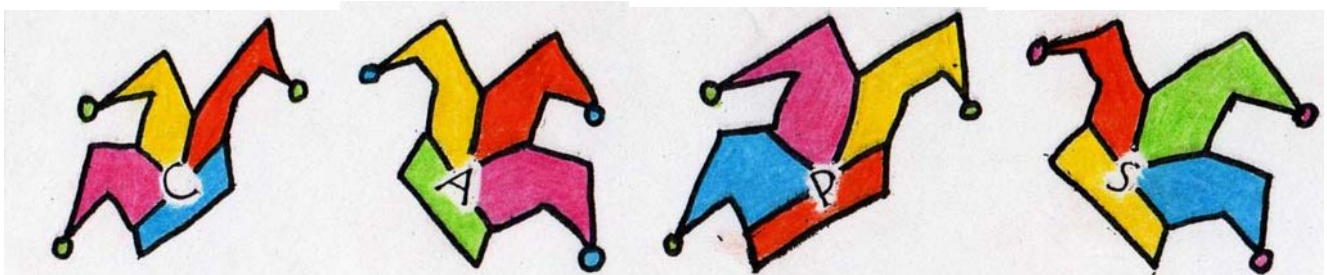
- September  
Email Student Council Advisors information about **CAPS** and set a deadline date for participation.
- October  
Email school packet information to all Student Council Advisors/Principals.
- November-March  
Student Council decides on how **CAPS** will be carried out in their school. Special committees might be formed or assigned specific tasks. Some of these might include:
  - Publicity
  - Parent/Student Information(Letter Home)
  - Money Collection on **CAPS** day
- January  
Contact Senior High art teacher so students can make **CAPS** labels for paint cans that will be located in each school office.  
Labels to be completed by April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- April  
Email Student Council Advisors/Principals about the plan for money collection on April 25<sup>th</sup>.
- May  
Set date for **CAPS FOR THE CURE** for the following school year so it can be placed on the school calendar.



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## MEDIA ALERTS/PRESS RELEASES

- Put information about **CAPS FOR THE CURE** in your school newsletters.
- **CAPS FOR THE CURE** could be publicized in Class Act to make the community aware of it.
- Contact Sarah Heck, Communications Specialist, at 834-6562 or email her at [seheck@spasd.k12.wi.us](mailto:seheck@spasd.k12.wi.us)
- Alert The Star about the event at least one week prior to April 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Local T.V. stations could be contacted about covering **CAPS**.
- Wisconsin State Journal  
Email [neighbors@madison.com](mailto:neighbors@madison.com) Fax 250-4155  
Don Kosterman, Neighbors editor 250-4330  
[dkosterman@madison.com](mailto:dkosterman@madison.com)
- Capital Times 252-6400



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Sample Parent Letter

**CAPS FOR THE CURE**

Dear Families of \_\_\_\_\_ Students,  
(school name)

On \_\_\_\_\_, our \_\_\_\_\_  
(date) (sponsor group)

will be holding a benefit to raise money for American Family Children’s Hospital. For a \$1.00 donation, all students and staff will be able to wear their favorite cap in school for the day. By participating in this activity, we can all show our support for finding a cure for one of the most challenging childhood diseases, cancer. Other schools in our community will be participating in this project. We are hoping for 100% participation at each school. At the end of the school day on \_\_\_\_\_, each school will find out how  
(date)

much money it raised!

If you would like to make an additional donation to the cause, please send it to school with your child on \_\_\_\_\_. All  
(date)

of the proceeds will be donated to American Family Children’s Hospital.

**WHAT: CAPS FOR THE CURE**

BENEFIT FOR AMERICAN FAMILY Children’s Hospital

**WHEN:** \_\_\_\_\_(date)

**WHY:** FINDING A CURE FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER

**HOW:** DONATE \$1.00 AND WEAR YOUR FAVORITE CAP FOR THE DAY

**CAPS FOR THE CURE** was an idea conceived by Kristina Schultz, a Sun Prairie student, who lost her battle with leukemia in 2007. She presented this opportunity to all schools in the Sun Prairie school community in 2005. She and all other children who are battling cancer thank everyone for embracing this worthwhile event.

Sincerely,

\_\_\_\_\_  
(sponsor)

# Philanthropy - Tips for Teachers

Philanthropy is the act of donating money, goods, time, or effort to support a charitable cause.

Here are some resources that might prove helpful with your students compiled by the Cooperative Children's Book Center at the University of Wisconsin:

## **Elementary**

### **Dear Mr. Rosenwald**

*by Carole Boston Weatherford and illustrated by Gregory Christie.*

New York : Scholastic Press, 2006.

### **Gus and Grandpa and the Christmas cookies**

*Claudia Mills ; pictures by Catherine Stock.*

New York : Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1997.

47 p. : col. ill. ; 23 cm.

### **Boxes for Katje**

*Candace Fleming ; pictures by Stacey Dressen-McQueen.*

New York : Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2003.

1 v. (unpaged) : col. ill. ; 29 cm.

### **One of Each**

*by Mary Ann Hoberman ; illustrated by Marjorie Priceman.*

Boston : Little, Brown, c1997.

1 v. (unpaged) : col. ill. ; 26 cm.

### **Stone Soup**

*retold and illustrated by Jon J. Muth.*

New York : Scholastic Press, c2003.

1 v. (unpaged) : col. ill. ; 24 x 26 cm.

### **Miss Perry's Fondest Wish**

*Pat Brisson ; illustrated by Stéphane Jorsch.*

New York : Dial Books for Young Readers, 2006.

### **Rent Party Jazz**

*by William Miller ; illustrated by Charlotte Riley-Webb.*

New York : Lee & Low Books, 2001.

1 v. (unpaged) : col. ill. ; 28 cm.

### **Sam and the Lucky Money**

*by Karen Chinn ; illustrated by Cornelius Van Wright, and Ying-Hwa Hu.*

New York ; [Great Britain] : Lee & Low Books, c1995.

[32]p. : col. ill. ; 26 cm.

### **The Three Questions**

*written and illustrated by Jon J. Muth.*

New York : Scholastic Press, 2002.

1 v. (unpaged) : col. ill. ; 26 x 31 cm.

### **The Magic Gourd**

*Baba Wagué Diakité.*

New York : Scholastic Press, 2003.

32 p. : col. ill. ; 30 cm.

### **Isabella's Above-Ground Pool**

*Alice Mead ; pictures by Maryann Cocca-Leffler.*

New York : Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2006.

### **Kiki's Hats**

Warren Hanson  
Tristan Publishing, 2007  
Minneapolis

### **The Lemonade Stand**

Patricia Polacco  
Philomel Books, 2007  
New York

## **Middle School**

### **Millions**

*Frank Cottrell Boyce.*  
New York : HarperCollins, 2004.  
247 p. ; 28 cm.

### **Seedfolks**

*by Paul Fleischman ; illustrations by Judy Pedersen.*  
New York : HarperCollins, c1997.  
69 p. : ill. ; 20 cm.

### **Empowered Girls : A Girl's Guide to Positive Activism, Volunteering, and Philanthropy**

*Frances A. Karnes & Kristen R. Stephens.*  
Waco, Tex. : Prufrock Press Inc., c2005.  
xi, 191 p. ; 23 cm.

### **How We Made the World a Better Place : Kids and Teens Write on How They Changed Their Corner of the World**

*compiled by the editors at Fairview Press.*  
Minneapolis, MN : Fairview Press, 1998.  
xviii, 141 p. ; 23 cm.

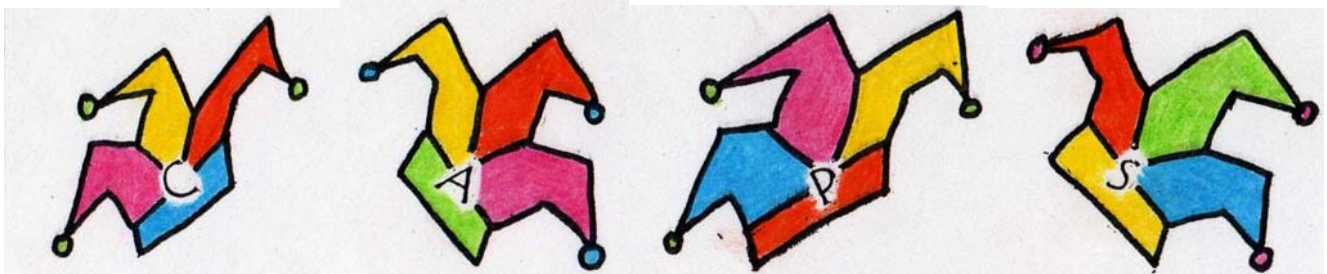
### **The Kid's Guide to Social Action : How To Solve the Social Problems You Choose--and Turn Creative Thinking into Positive Action**

*Barbara A. Lewis ; edited by Pamela Espeland and Caryn Pernu.*  
Minneapolis : Free Spirit Pub., c1998.  
xi, 211 p. : ill. ; 28 cm.

## **High School**

### **I Am the Messenger**

*by Markus Zusak.*  
New York : Alfred A. Knopf : Distributed by Random House, [2005].  
357 p. ; 22 cm.



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