

Penny Wars Instructions

Penny wars are a fundraising competition between two or more groups. It is a fun spin on the traditional change drive that can be used to involve multiple classes or even the entire school in the fundraising effort. Here are the rules:

- Label milk jugs or other **recycled containers** with the name of each team or class.
- Students bring in spare change and small bills from home.
- Pennies are added to the students' class jar for points. Each **penny** is worth **+1 point**.
- **Silver coins** or **paper bills** are worth **negative points** according to their value. These are put in the jars of other classes with the goal of neutralizing the points they gained from their pennies.
 - i.e. quarter = -25 points, \$1 bill = -100 points!
- At the end of the Penny War (typically about a week), students add up how many pennies are in each jar, and then subtract the value of silver coins and bills in the same jar.
- The class with the highest total points after the silver coins and bills have been subtracted is deemed the winner.



If at least \$200 is raised, this money can be used to **Sponsor-a-Day** at the Wildlife Medical Clinic! The winning class can pick any date of their choice, and the funds raised will be used to help cover the cost of care for all the animals in the Wildlife Medical Clinic that day. In appreciation, a letter will be sent to the winning class to update them of all the animals that benefited from the donation that day.

Sponsor-a-Day donations can be made at <https://illinois.edu/fb/sec/6403802>.

Regular donations can be made through the following website:
<http://vetmed.illinois.edu/advancement/giving.html>

Donations can also be sent as a check to: Wildlife Medical Clinic, 1008 W. Hazelwood Dr., Urbana, IL, 61802. Please make checks payable to the University of Illinois Foundation, and indicate Wildlife Medical Clinic in the subject line.

