

How to Have a Successful Dance Marathon

1. Preparation is Key!

- Promote the event so that plenty of students become aware
 - Utilize things such as morning announcements and the school newspaper to help aid in spreading the word
- Make sure interested students are registered beforehand
 - This includes permission slips and a minimum donation
 - Students may be sponsored by teachers, parents, neighbors, etc. for their donation

2. Food, glorious food

- Dance Marathon is a 12 hour long event, thus leaving a big gap for students to get hungry. This means food...lots of it!
 - Get donations from local food providers such as Chick-Fil-A, parents, or even your school's booster club
 - Serve chips and snacks in bowls that are only refilled after a couple of hours
 - Just like refills, spread out the time you put out the snacks

3. Choosing the DJ

- Look for a DJ with a good review
- Ask for their playlist, what is included with their package, and their cost for playing the 12 hour event
- Make sure they know how much space they have to work with

3. Volunteers

- More Volunteers = More Success
- Ask around to see if who is available and willing to chaperone the dance for a couple of hours
 - Chaperone/Volunteers can be teachers or parents
- You will need at least 2 volunteers each hour