

Lockerman MS Walk-a-thon

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Lockerman Middle School annually participates in a Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Walk-A-Thon to raise money for the MS Society.

Best Practice 1: Since 1998, Lockerman Middle School has raised money for the MS Society. The need we met was a monetary contribution to this organization that helps people who have MS. We assisted Bea O'Toole, who has battled MS for twenty-five years, with her fundraising efforts.

Best Practice 2: Students learn about a disease and how a chronic, incurable disease can affect a person, family, and society as a whole. Students also learn about fundraising and use math skills.

Best Practice 3: Our reflection piece was done through a meeting with Mrs. O'Toole following the walk.

Best Practice 4: The students each raised a minimum of ten dollars for the walk, which is three miles in length.

Best Practice 5: Through this activity, we have developed a working relationship with the Eastern Shore MS Society, located in Salisbury. The local director visits our school each year for a kick-off of the event.

Best Practice 6: As this has become an annual event, our plan is in place.

Best Practice 7: The director of the Eastern Shore MS Society presents information to the students about MS each year through a kick-off event. This meeting helps to raise the awareness for the purpose of our walk.