

IDEAS TO START UP A HERORATS CHAPTER IN YOUR SCHOOL:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN HELPING THE HERORATS SAVE MORE LIVES THROUGH DETECTING EXPLOSIVES AND TUBERCULOSIS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GET YOUR SCHOOL INVOLVED IN SAVING LIVES WITH THE HERORATS THERE ARE A NUMBER OF WAYS YOU CAN GET START.



IT WOULD BE BEST TO HAVE AN INFORMATIONAL SESSION TO TELL PEOPLE ABOUT APOPO AND WHAT THE HERORATS ARE DOING. YOU COULD DO THIS IN A CLASSROOM, IN AN ASSEMBLY, THROUGH YOUR SCHOOL COMMUNICATION CHANNELS (NEWSLETTERS, WEBSITE, ETC), PARTNER WITH A SCHOOL CLUB, OR SET UP A TABLE AT A SCHOOL EVEN AND TALK TO PEOPLE.

THE FOLLOWING ARE A FEW IDEAS TO GET YOU STARTED:

THINK ABOUT WAYS TO TIE HERORATS INTO THE CLASSROOM CURRICULUM AND PARTNERING WITH YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER:

- SPEAK TO TEACHERS ABOUT WAYS TO DISCUSS A PRACTICAL APPLICATION THAT ADDRESSES SUBJECT MATTER YOU ARE COVERING IN CLASS (I.E. HISTORY- DISCUSSIONS ON AFTERMATH OF WAR; SCIENCE- TECHNOLOGIES PEOPLE DEVELOP WITH SCIENCE; PSYCHOLOGY- TALKING ABOUT BEHAVIOR AND PAVLOV'S DOG TRAINING, ETC.)
- IF HERORATS ARE ADDRESSING A SUBJECT BEING DISCUSSED IN THE CURRICULUM PERHAPS YOUR TEACHER WILL LET YOU SPEND ½ A CLASS PERIOD DISCUSSING HOW THE SUBJECT AND THE HERORAT APPLICATION IS RELATED.

CHECK OUT LOCAL CLUBS AT YOUR SCHOOL AND SEE IF THEY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN YOU COMING TO SPEAK ABOUT HERORATS TO THEIR MEMBERS OR HOSTING AN INFORMATION TABLE AT ONE OF THEIR EVENTS:

- SCIENCE CLUB
- PEACE CLUB

USE YOUR CREATIVE WRITING SKILLS AND SPREAD THE WORD THAT WAY:

- WRITE A PIECE FOR THE EDITORIAL SECTION OF YOUR SCHOOL NEWSPAPER
- SUBMIT AN ARTICLE FOR YOUR SCHOOL WEBSITE
- CREATE A COLUMN FOR YOUR CLASSROOM NEWSLETTER

CHALLENGE YOUR RIVAL SCHOOL TO SEE WHO CAN RAISE MORE MONEY FOR THE PROJECT IN A SEMESTER:

- SET UP DONATION BOXES IN CLASSROOMS, CAFETERIAS, AND THE FRONT FOYER
- SEND LETTERS HOME TO PARENTS AND LET THEM KNOW HOW THEY CAN GET INVOLVED

WE ARE HAPPY TO HELP YOU THINK THROUGH WHAT IS THE BEST APPROACH FOR YOUR SCHOOL AND GETTING YOU MATERIALS. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT US AT APOPO@APOPO.ORG OR HERORATS@HERORAT.ORG. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST AND SUPPORT BOTH MEAN A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT TO US.