

RADIO'S GUIDE TO PROMOTIONS & EMAIL



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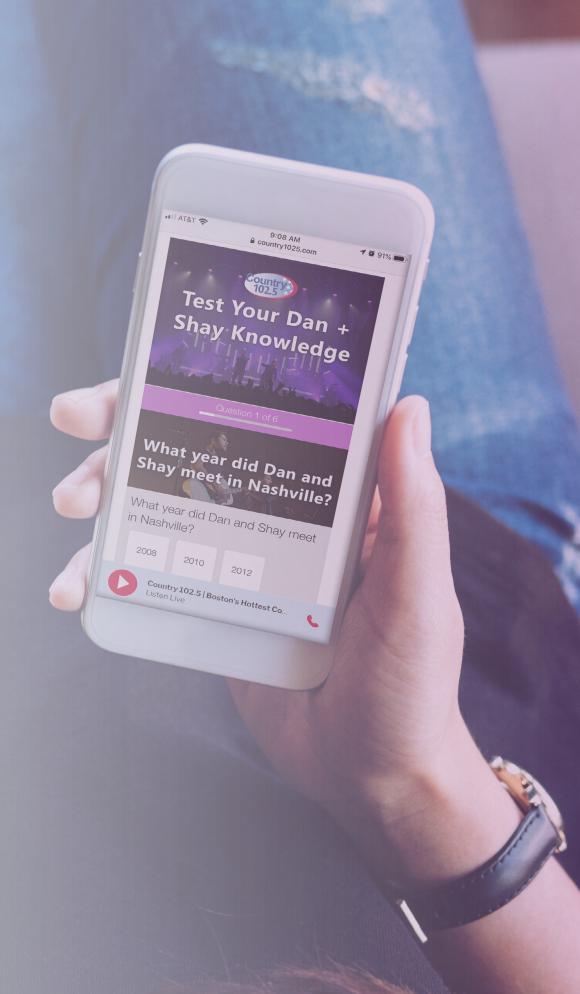
This guide demonstrates how promotions and email make you even more engaging, drive more revenue, and add to your marketing arsenal.

Read on to learn more, see how others are succeeding, and find specific examples for a variety of radio formats.



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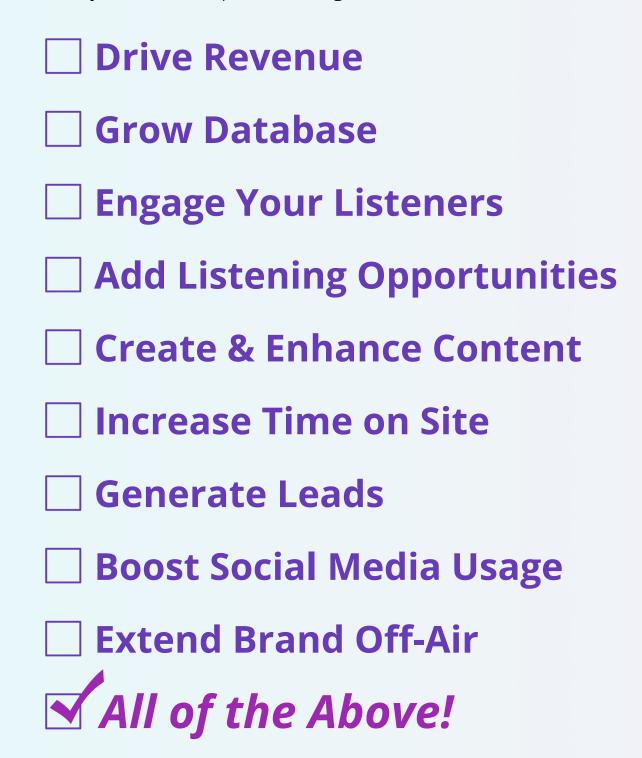


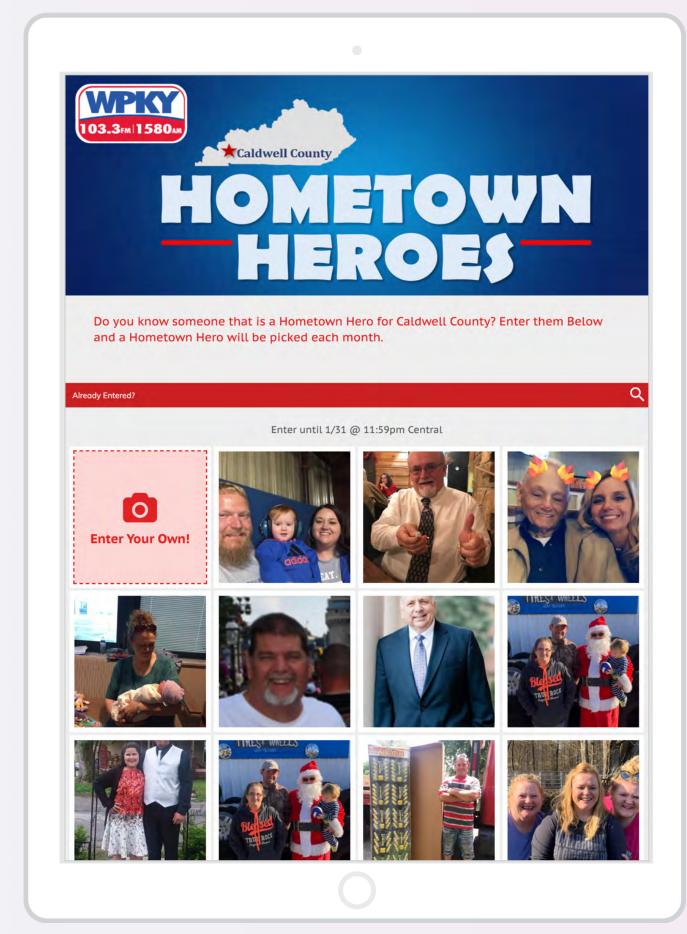
What is Your Goal?



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Every department at your station has a list of goals they want to achieve. Stop working in silos and ensure you're building campaigns designed to achieve your cross-departmental goals.





Drive Revenue

With Promotions and Email

Generating revenue is likely your station's top goal. The key to making a big impact is to start by setting revenue goals big enough to matter. This means focusing on annual opportunities that drive big dollars.

Top Tactics...

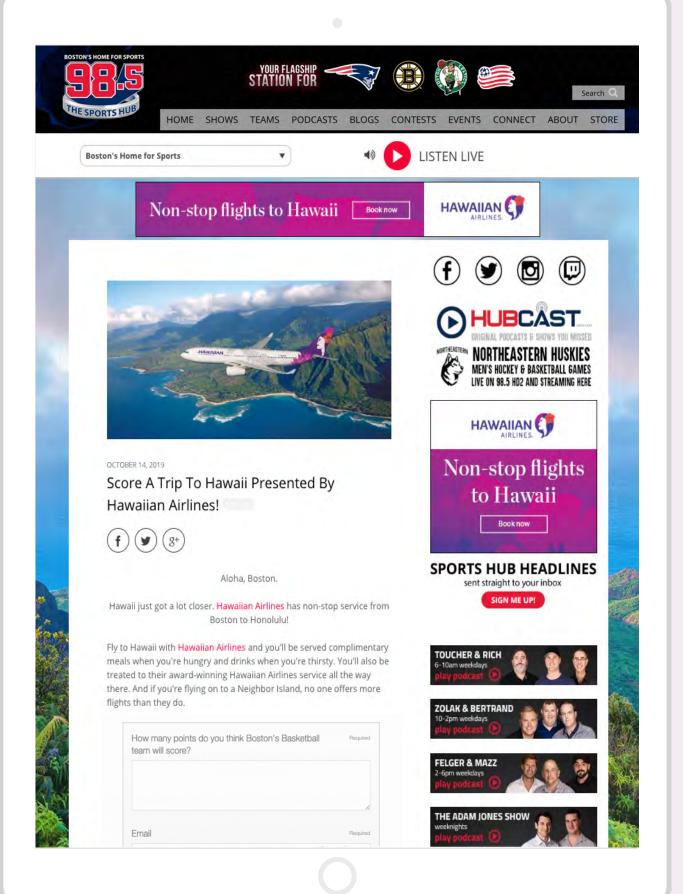
Ballots. Create an annual ballot strategy by combining your listeners' choice citywide ballot with two-three additional niche ballots. While your citywide will involve all your listeners, you can choose topics for your niche ballots like Family Favorites, Best of Rock, or weddings to tap into target demographics.

Sweepstakes. Sweepstakes have the versatility to work for any advertiser and any topic. With high value prizes, these draw in massive results which means sponsors are eager to pay top dollar. To maximize revenue, bundle multiple sweepstakes together into one package.

Photo and Video Contests. Turning these one-off contests into recurring revenue campaigns with different themes each month will drive large revenue all year long.

Score with the Celtics and Hawaiian Airlines Sweepstakes Beasley Media Group Boston | Boston, MA | DMA: 10

Sponsored by Hawaiian Airlines, this contest is doing even better in its second year. Entrants guess how many points they think the Celtics will score. For each Celtics home game, one random entry is selected and their prediction is shared on-air. If their guess is right, they win a direct round-trip flight from Boston to Hawaii. This year's contest has brought in \$186,000 in revenue for Beasley Boston!



Grow DatabaseWith Promotions and Email

The key to good conversations with your listeners via email is an owned and operated database. Growing your email database should be a station-wide initiative as it benefits everyone. When you set your goals, make sure you're involving all departments within your company.

Top Tactics...

Sweepstakes. Time after time, sweepstakes consistently deliver the best email database results. When you're offering tickets, VIP passes, and other unique opportunities, you can grow your general audience.

Ballots. Ballots drive huge database numbers! People are passionate about ensuring the success of their favorite businesses, people, and things, and they'll campaign to make sure it wins. And every new person they get to vote, is a new person who can fill out your registration form and email opt-in.

Quizzes. People love to share their quiz results to test their friends. This makes them an incredibly shareable tool, excellent for growing your database when you add an email opt-in to your registration form.

Lo Mejor de Tampa Bay Ballot

WYUU-FM | Tampa Bay, FL | DMA: 11

Spanish Contemporary station, WYUU-FM wanted to reach their Spanish-speaking community. While there were other competing ballots in the market, they launched Lo Mejor with the hopes of specifically targeting this niche group. It was a huge success! In just their first year, WYUU collected nearly 6,000 nominations and over 17,000 votes. Plus, they grew their database by over 2,500 opt-ins to help their overall station email strategy throughout the year.

SEE THE CASE STUDY

GANADORES Ustedes votaron y decidieron Lo Mejor de Tampa Bay. Gracias!! Ya estas registrado? Mejor Playa para Familias (Best Categorías **Beach for Families)** Mejor Playa para Familias Clearwater Beach COMPARTIR Clearwater, FL 33767, U... 92.5 Maxima SAVED STATIONS

Engage Your ListenersWith Promotions and Email

Engaging with your listeners is a huge focus and goal. Your on-air personalities strive to develop a relationship with their listeners both on and off-air. Promotions and email will take this relationship to the next level.

Top Tactics...

Newsletters. Newsletters capture your brand's personality and reach your listeners on their schedule. Using listener data, you can create targeted newsletters based on segmented audiences to deliver more relevant content, higher open rates, and increased click rates. Plus, you can let your on-air team's personality shine through.

Quizzes. Whether you create quizzes about popular artists, news, pop culture, or your station personalities, quizzes are a fun and unique way to connect with your listeners.

Photo Contests. People love the opportunity to share their photos. Whether you're asking for pictures of their kids or pets or photos of their best 80's hair to their favorite concerts, these are a great way to create a fun gallery and engage your fans.

Dave & Chuck The Freak Daily Download Newsletter WBOS-FM | Boston, MA | DMA: 10

Popular WBOS radio show, Dave & Chuck the Freak, created a newsletter for their super fans to get a VIP experience. By including a Dave & Chuck opt-in on all their registration forms, they grew their targeted list. The copy of the email itself is written exactly the way a Dave & Chuck listener would expect. The email clearly includes links to get the most recent episodes and all the in-the-studio recorded videos. These targeted emails consistently drive outstanding results with high open and click through rates.



HOME

PEEP SHOW

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TODAY'S PEEP SHOW



Spicy Chicken Sandwich Fail

Dave was finally able to try the Popeye's spicy chicken sandwich yesterday, but he just had dental surgery, so it didn't go as well as he imagined.

READ MORE

Add Listening Opportunities With Promotions and Email

When it comes to radio, ratings are king. The more people you can drive to tune-in to your station at a designated time, the ratings go up and your ad revenue follows.

Top Tactics...

Newsletters. Make sure all your newsletters include clear details for when your listeners should tune-in to hear special segments or favorite personalities. Be sure to mention any incentives to tune-in!

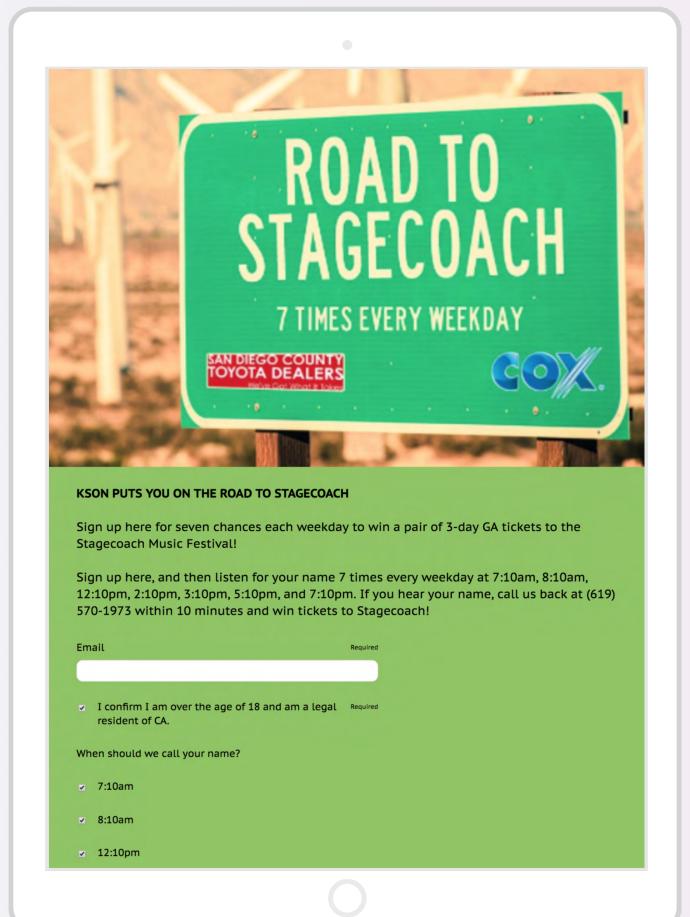
Sweepstakes. A classic codeword listen-to-win is always a winner for radio, but don't hang up on tons of data! Have your listeners enter their codeword in a sweepstakes form, so you can collect an email opt-in and other details as well.

Emails. Whether you're breaking the news on a big story, providing severe storm coverage, or kicking off a new show, there can be merit to sending an email to your full database when the topic is relevant to all listeners. Don't forget to clearly include all the details to tune-in.

Road to Stagecoach

KSON-FM | San Diego, CA | DMA: 28

Capitalizing on a major local music concert, KSON-FM ran a listen-to-win contest to get tickets. Listeners had to sign-up online and select their most likely time to listen. Only the listeners who signed up with the Road to Stagecoach sweepstakes would be called live on air from KSON. The contest generated over 7,000 email opt-ins for the station and they learned valuable listener data!



Create & Enhance Content

With Promotions and Email

From the on-air discussions of your talent to the daily posts and your station is producing outstanding stories. See how you can you use promotions and email to create new content and also enhance what you're already doing.

Top Tactics...

Polls. Polls are a fantastic way to let your listeners share their thoughts on important topics like which songs to play, the city's new traffic proposal, or even what do you think about the next mayor.

Photo Contests. This is a great way to keep people on your site, create content, and enhance what you're already doing. People love to share these photos and already have them on their phone. Talk about the photos on the air to drive more interaction.

Quizzes. Complement your coverage of any topic with a quiz. If you're looking to educate your audience, a quiz is a fun and creative way for your listeners to learn and test their skills on your content.

CMA Entertainer of the Year

WPAW-FM | Greensboro, NC | DMA: 46

For Country station, WPAW-FM, the Country Music Awards is already a big conversation topic for their station. So instead of just talking about the CMAs, WPAW created a ballot asking listeners to say who they thought should win Entertainer of the Year. This was an excellent way for the audience to make their voice heard and gave the station even more to talk about on-air around their coverage of the big event.







The 51st Annual CMA Awards will air live November 8 from Nashville's Brida Country Music's Biggest Night and we will be there to give you an EXCLUSI Countdown.

The nominees for the highest honor of the night include **Garth Brooks**, **L Church**, **Chris Stapleton**, and **Keith Urban** for Entertainer of the Year. Te
this year's WINNER by voting below.



Chris Stapleton

In 2017 Chris Stapleton embarked on his All-American Road Show Tour and released his second studio album, From A Room: Volume 1. The singer took home the award for Male Vocalist of the Year in 2016.









Increase Time on Site

With Promotions and Email

Your website is your hub for sharing relevant content, moving conversations online, and driving revenue. The more you can keep your listeners engaged with your website, the more content they'll digest, the more ads you can serve them, and the more revenue you can generate.

Top Tactics...

Photo & Video Contests. The only thing people love more than sharing their photos and videos, is seeing others' photos and videos! These contests drive lots of time on site as users browse the galleries.

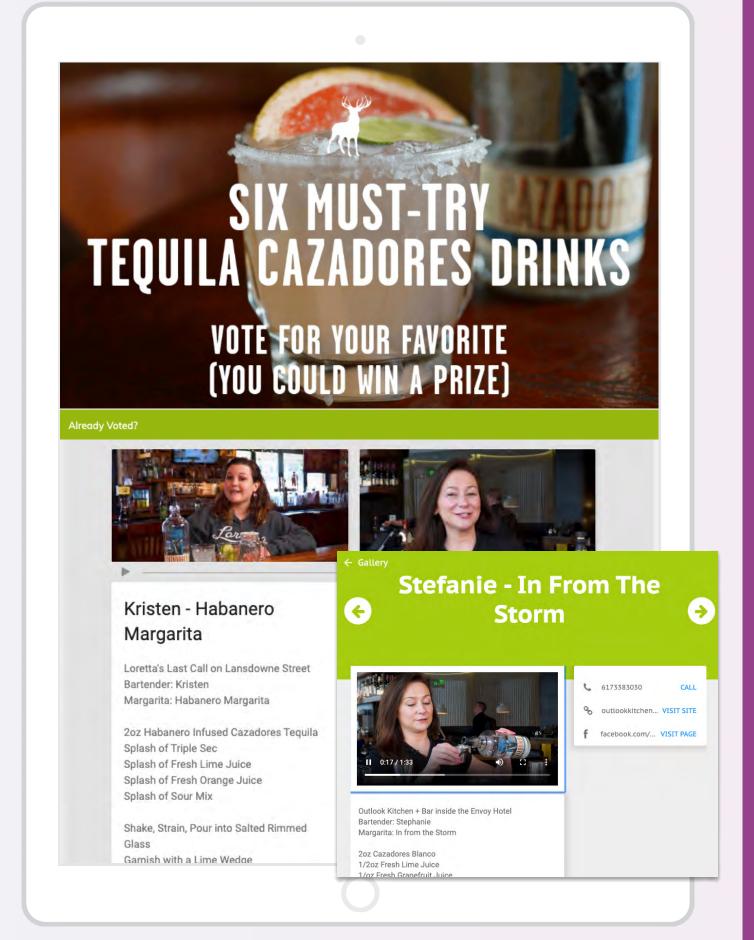
Ballots. With hundreds of entrants to nominate and vote for, these contests have your listeners spending lots of time on your site throughout the ballot.

Newsletters. Each newsletter is a ripe opportunity to direct listeners to your website. When someone opens your email, you're already engaging them on a digital platform. Make sure you're optimizing all your emails to direct your listeners to specific content and sections of your website with each click.

Cazadores Tequila Drink Ballot

WKLB-FM | Hagerstown, MD | DMA: ?

Cazadores Tequila wanted a campaign to drive brand awareness. WKLB-FM created a ballot featuring videos of local bartenders mixing a Cazadores drink. The contest brought in \$35,000 in revenue, 2,200+ visits to the ballot's site, and the average user stayed for over 24 minutes.



Generate LeadsWith Promotions and Email

The best way to ensure you keep your advertisers happy and coming back, is by delivering the leads your advertisers want. Even without an advertiser, use promotions to collect data to leverage for future advertising opportunities.

Top Tactics...

Sweepstakes. A giveaway for a valuable product is a surefire way to uncover a ton of prospective customers. Plus, when you include leadgen questions and an email opt-in, you've just generated a fantastic list of hot leads for your client.

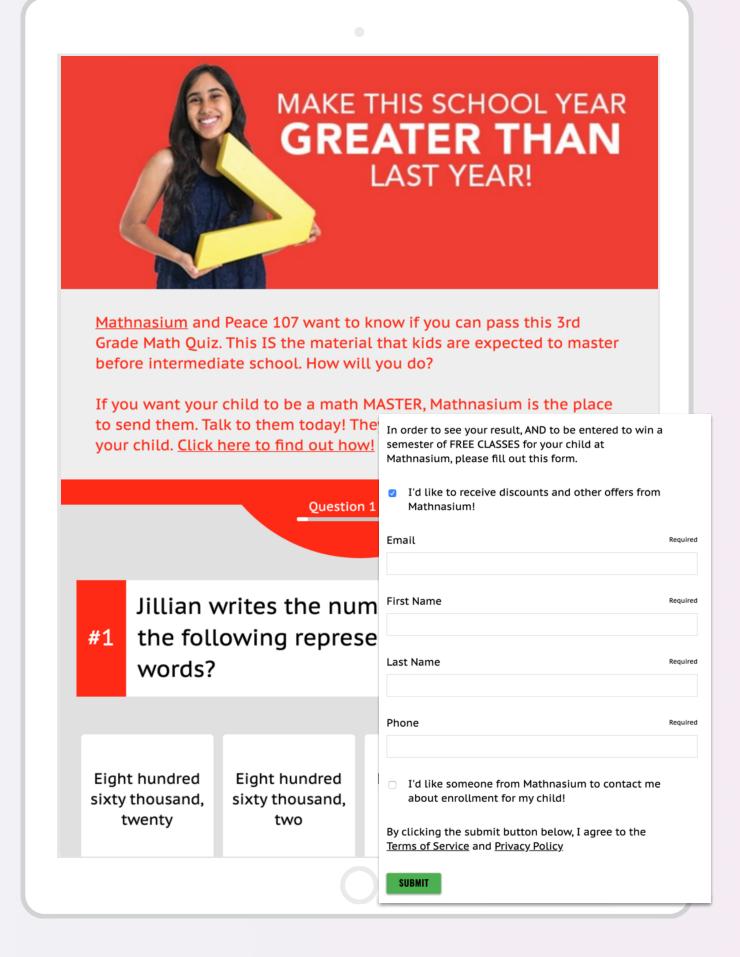
Photo Contests. While lead-gen questions and opt-ins uncover data, photo contests create a unique opportunity to discover useful information about your users. An Ugly Lawn photo contest will provide a ton of qualified people that engage with your lawn care advertiser.

Quizzes. Beyond demographics and lead-gen questions, with custom quiz questions, you can learn even more about your listeners through you quiz. Plus, incentivize quiz takers with a prize to fill out your registration form.

Mathnasium Quiz Campaign

KPWJ-FM | Bryan, TX | DMA: 87

A local tutoring business wanted to identify potential new customers during back-to-school season. The station created quizzes based on real grade school math tests. By adding lead-gen questions and an email optin, the quizzes had over 20 people reach out requesting information for enrollment and gathered more than 100 opt-ins for the tutoring center.



Boost Social Media Presence

With Promotions and Email

Social media presence is important to your station. You're likely not only promoting your station's social media profiles, but you're also trying to promote the profiles of specific shows and and your on-air talent. And every month social media changes – how do you keep up?

Top Tactics...

Sweepstakes. By adding on extra chance incentives you're generating more social exposure for your contest, while driving more registrations and collecting more database.

Quizzes. Whether you create quizzes about popular artists or your station personalities, quizzes are a fun and unique way to connect with your listeners. Plus, they're shareable as people take them and encourage their friends to take them as well.

Photo Contests. Photo contests bring out the competitive spirit. People are eager to share their photos with friends and family to get votes making these contests incredibly shareable.

Mutt Madness Contest

WZFX-FM | Fayetteville, NC | DMA: 24

Positioned right in the heart of basketball country, the station wanted a way to capitalize on the college tournament fever, but not necessarily tie directly to basketball. They had the idea of a Mutt Madness photo contest where listeners would vote to choose the top dog. The station secured a local veterinary hospital as the sponsor. Not only did this drive \$10,000 in unplanned revenue for WZFX, but the station saw a huge boost in site traffic. During the contest period, the station achieved a social reach of over 75,000 and engagement numbers over 6,000!



What's left to do?

- Vote for your favorite pet in each match
- · You can vote again EVERY HOUR!
- Share the contest with your friends!

The Matchup Voting Schedule

Scruffy 64 - COMPLETE

TV to give away too!

- Rowdy 32 COMPLETE
- Snuggly 16 COMPLETE
- Alpha 8 COMPLETE
 Furry 4 COMPLETE
- Mutt Madness Championship COMPLET

Click the rounds below to see all the progr

WZFX FOXY 99.1 THE BIG STICK with Clinton Appliance and Furniture.

Paid Partnership

#ad Help Foxy 99 and Clinton Appliance & Furniture narrow down the best pets for a chance to score a fifty inch television!



Vote Now In The Mutt Madness Pet Bracket Challenge

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Extend Brand Off-Air

With Promotions and Email

Your brand has always existed on-air, but it's important to continue your station's brand off-air within your community. There are a variety of ways you can communicate with your listeners to align your station and position your brand as a member of your community.

Top Tactics...

Ballots. Ballots are all about finding out who and what your listeners think is the best within your community. Customize the ballot to truly resonate with your listeners and your brand to make something unique to your station and your community of listeners.

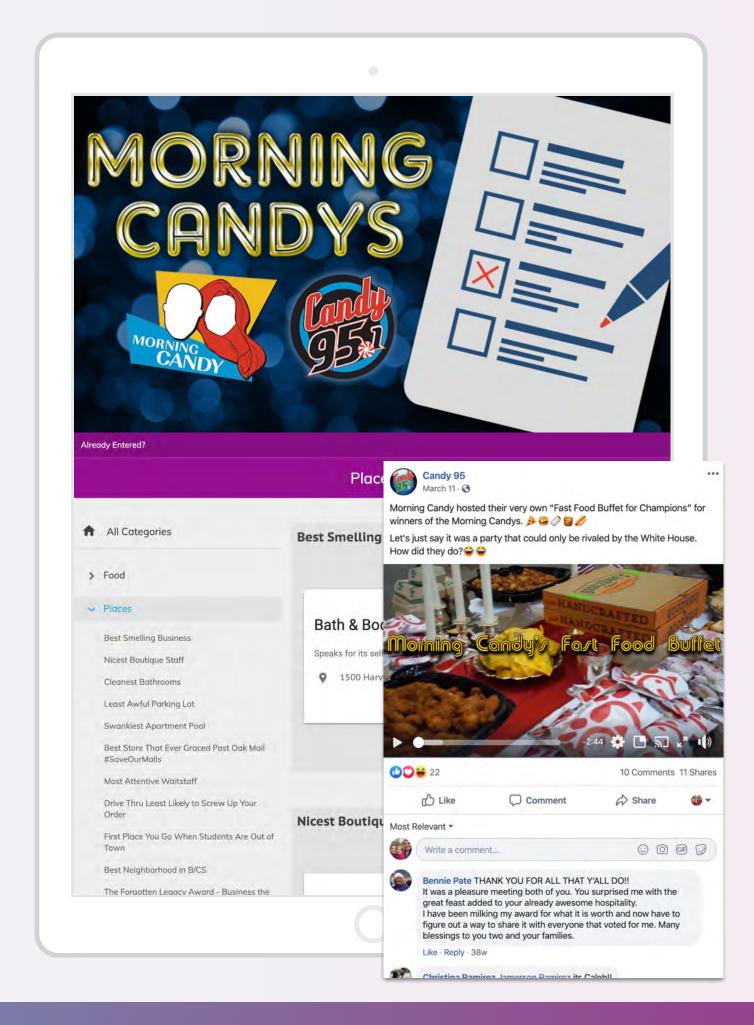
Sweepstakes. Create sweepstakes which will align your brand with the community. Maybe people enter to win breakfast delivered by your station talent or coffee cups from your morning crew, this will keep your brand top of mind off-air.

Birthday Club. A simple happy birthday email can mean a lot to your listeners. Jazz up your message with a video or image from your talent to make the message a bit more personal.

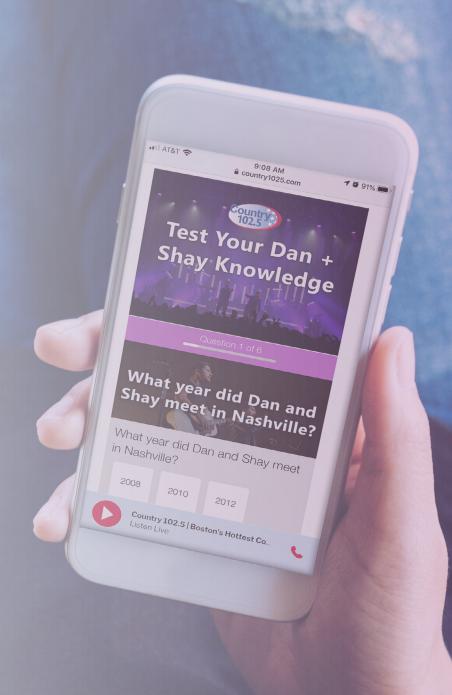
Morning Candys Ballot

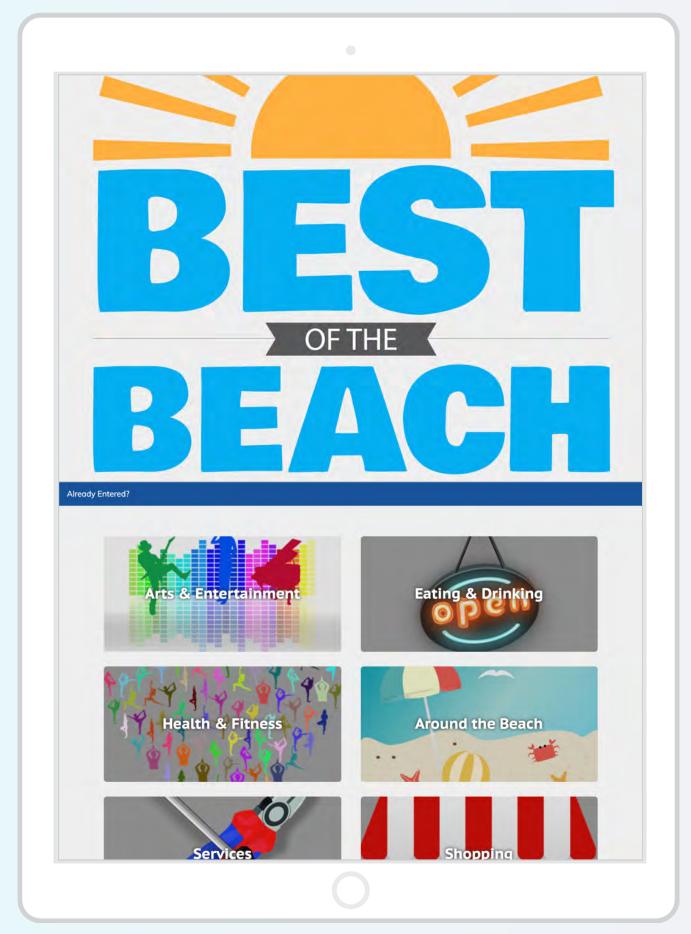
KNDE-FM | Bryan, TX | DMA: 87

Frito and Candy – hosts of the Morning Candy show on KNDE-FM – wanted a fun way to interact with their listeners and their community. The Morning Candys Ballot wasn't your traditional listeners' choice ballot. It included creative categories like Best Smelling Business, Best Uber/Lyft Driver, Cleanest Bathrooms, and Best Breakfast Tacos. The ballot was a hit with listeners bringing in 11,700+ votes. Plus, the morning show even hosted a live on-air event for the winners.



6 Things Every Station Should Do

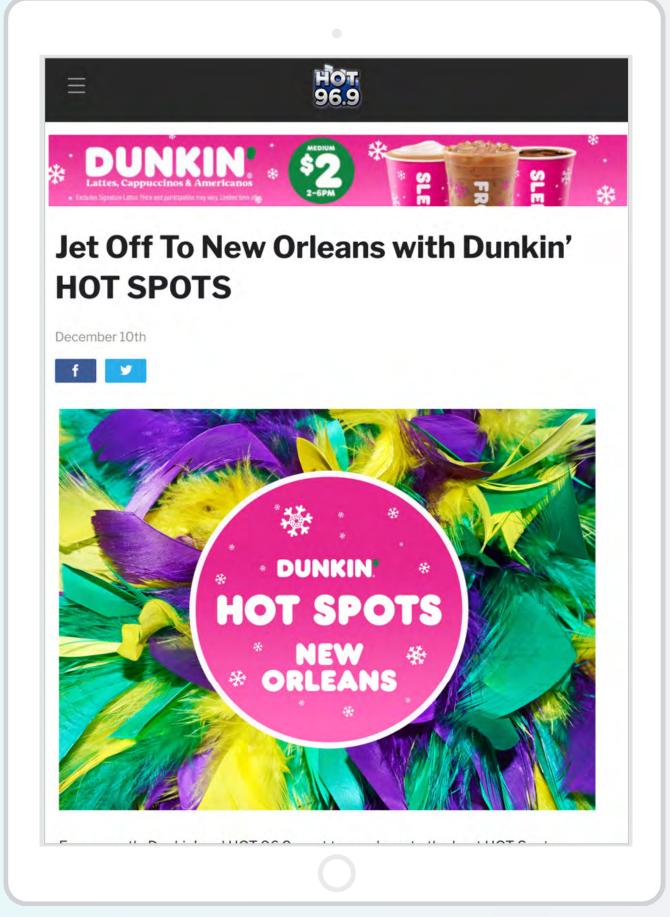




6 Things Every Station Should Do To Drive Success for Your Entire Company

If you want to secure long-lasting success for your station, it's critical to create a robust strategy. Sit down with a cross-departmental team and determine all your station's goals. Then create an annual strategy which will cover all these goals and deliver the results you want to achieve.

□ Ballots
 □ Recurring Revenue
 □ List-Builder Campaigns
 □ Lead-Gen for Advertisers
 □ Audience Engagement
 □ Newsletters
 ☑ All of the Above!



Dunkin' Hot Spots Sweepstakes

HOT 96.9 | Boston, MA | DMA: 10

THE GOAL

HOT 96.9 was looking for new, creative ideas to drive revenue and database growth for their station. To make a bigger impact on revenue goals, they planned an annual campaign to drive revenue all year long.

THE SOLUTION

Their team came up with a monthly vacation sweepstakes to 'hot spots' like San Diego, Las Vegas, and New Orleans. They pitched the sponsorship to an existing advertiser, Dunkin' Donuts. The franchise was interested in branding, email list growth, and downloads of their mobile app. They received a robust sponsorship package to achieve their goals. The campaign was so successful, the contest is now in its fourth year running. Dunkin' has been their sponsor each year and has increased their spend with the station each year as well.

THE RESULTS

- \$400,000 revenue in four years
- \$ 4 years+ recurring revenue
- 80% opt-in rate for station





Baby, It's Cold Outside - Yes or No

On Monday, December 3rd, 96.5 KOIT Program Director, Brian Figula, made the decision to remove "Baby, It's Cold Outside" (from various artists) after receiving complaints from listeners, and the trending national story from Cleveland. After removing the song, we have received hundreds of comments on social media and via email demanding that "Baby, It's Cold Outside" be placed back to the Christmas Playlist.

We're asking you to decide if we should continue to keep the song off the playlist, or add it back in. We'll announce the results on Monday, December 10th at 7:20am PST.

LISTEN TO KOIT CHRISTMAS

Should 96.5 KOIT place "Baby, It's Cold Outside" back into rotation?

- O Yes, please place it back, I want to hear it.
- O No, it offends me. Do not play it.

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Baby It's Cold Outside Poll

KOIT-FM | San Francisco, CA | DMA: 6

THE GOAL

When classic Christmas song 'Baby, It's Cold Outside' was at the center of a national public debate over its lyrics. KOIT decided to utilize a poll to let their audience decide whether the station should keep this controversial song on the air.

THE SOLUTION

The KOIT team put together a simple one-question poll. On the registration form, they included opt-ins for seven of their station's interest-specific newsletters and also gathered valuable user information sucche as zip code, birthday, and gender for future email segmentation efforts. The station's on-air personalities announced the poll to all the listeners. Plus, they insluded links on their website, in email blasts, and on social media. The story surrounding the poll gained so much attention dozens of other local news stations like the New York Times, Fox News, Wallstreet Journal, and CNN picked it up.

THE RESULTS







Mutt Madness

KIX 102.5 | Joplin, MO | DMA: 148

THE GOAL

With the March basketball season approaching, KIX 102.5 wanted a contest idea to capitalize on the bracket frenzy and also reach a broad audience beyond just basketball fans. That's how the Mutt Madness contest got started.

THE SOLUTION

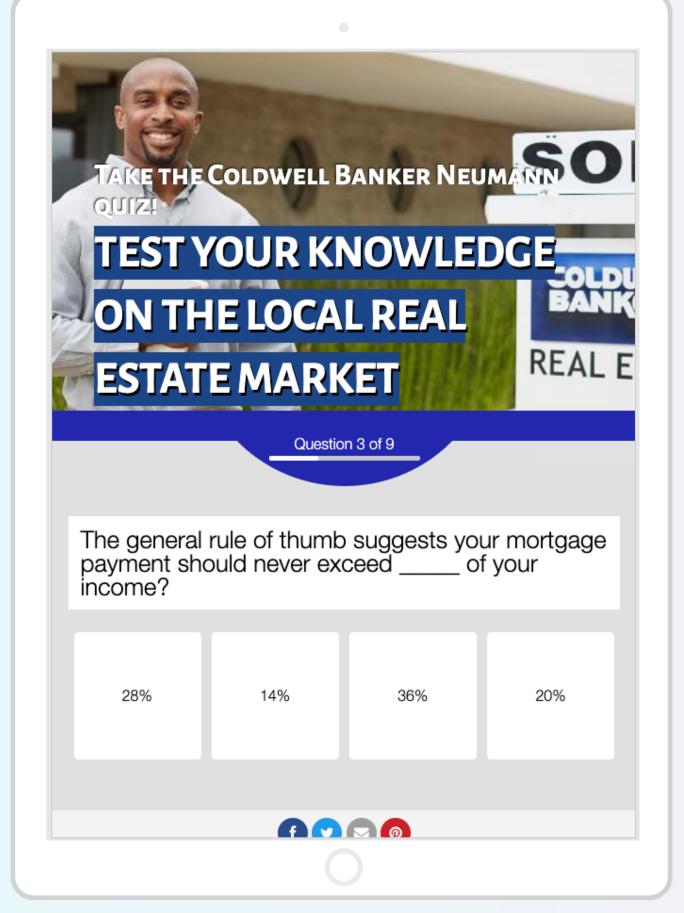
Once they picked their pet-related theme, the station needed to secure the perfect advertiser. Since this contest would reach local animal lovers and pet owners, a local veterinarian was excited to partner with them. The vet wanted to grow their own email list and identify potential new clients. The contest was split into multiple rounds and was promoted via on-air spots, emails, website ads, and paid social media advertising. The advertiser even promoted it to their own networks. The registration form included opt-ins for station and sponsor as well as important lead-gen questions for the veterinarian.

THE RESULTS









Test Your Real Estate Knowledge

CHYM-FM | Kitchener, ON | DMA: 9

THE GOAL

CHYM was looking for a new idea for a local real estate company, Coldwell Banker. They hoped to not only drive measurable results for the advertiser, but also secure additional revenue for their station.

THE SOLUTION

They created a quiz based on the local real estate market to target locacls interested in buying or selling their home. The team included a couple of quiz questions designed to give Coldwell Banker some valuable data as well. The registration form included an email opt-in and lead-gen questions to identify qualified leads for the real estate company. The quiz outcome page contained a link to the sponsor's website to download a report and take an online evaluation. To incentivize quiz takers, the station offered a \$250 prize to one lucky quiz taker.

THE RESULTS

\$1,500 revenue for station



240+ quiz participants

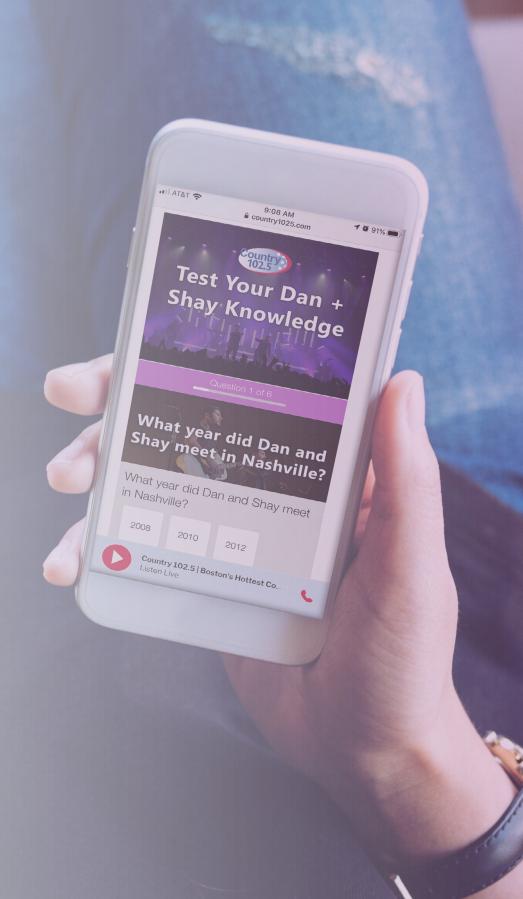


40+ looking to buy/sell house



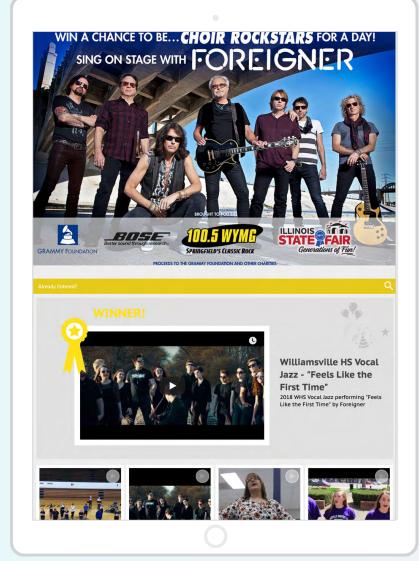
40+ for sponsor database

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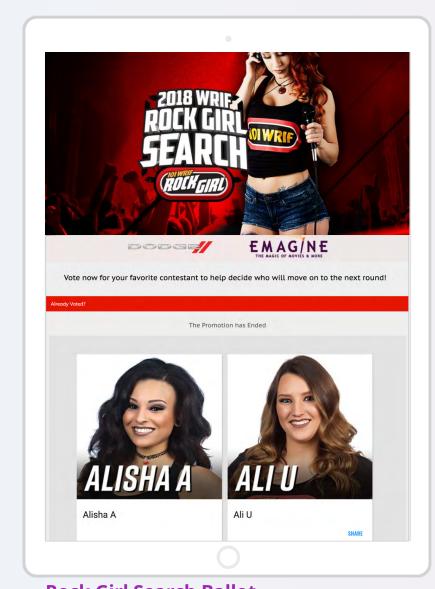


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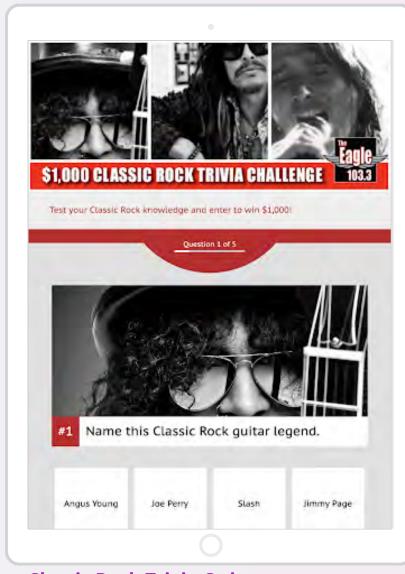
Opportunities for Your Format



On Stage with Foreigner Video Contest



Rock Girl Search Ballot



Classic Rock Trivia Quiz

Quizzes

- 80s Hair Band Trivia
- Which Rock Legend Are You?
- How Much Do You Know about [Band]?

Ballots

- Best of One Hit Wonders
- Places that Rock
- Year in Review

Photo & Video Contests

- Man Cave Makeover
- Rock 'n' Roll Dad
- Battle of the Cover Bands
- Send Us Your Concert Pics!

Brackets

- 80s Rock Showdown
- Battle of the Rock Legends
- Favorite Guitars

List-Builders

- Concert Ticket Giveaway
- Pick the Song Poll
- [Artist/Band] Quiz

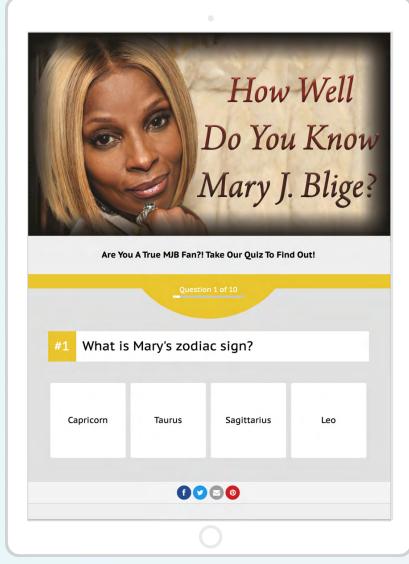
Recurring Revenue

- Hometown Heroes
- Monthly Music Giveaway
- Rock Fan of the Month

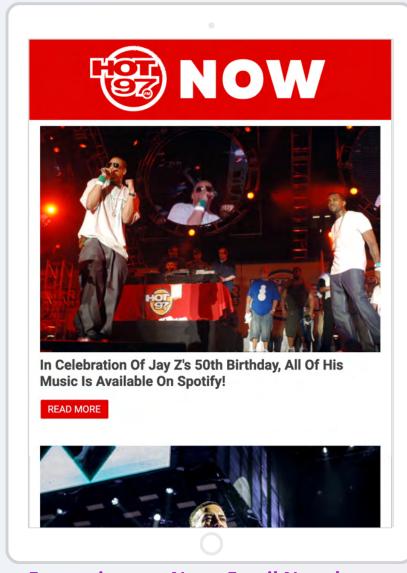
- Dads that Rock
- Live Music Round Up
- Concert Calendar

Urban

Opportunities for Your Format



Music Artist Trivia Quiz



Entertainment News Email Newsletter



Listen-to-Win Concert Tickets Contest

Quizzes

- Which Hip Hop Family Are You?
- 90s Trivia
- Finish the Lyric

Ballots

- · Citywide Best Of
- Best of [Artist/Band]
- Best of Hip Hop

Photo & Video Contests

- Concert Photo Pics
- Dad and Me Photo Contest

Brackets

- Battle of the Hip Hop Concert Ticket All Stars
- Favorite Song from the 90s
- Ultimate Hip Hip Couple

List-Builders

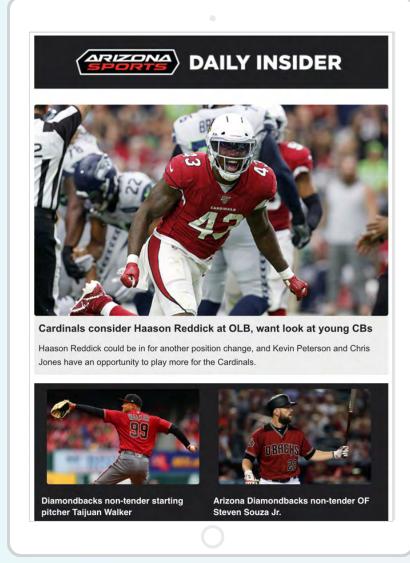
- Giveaway
- Tell Us Your Favorite Song Poll
- [Artist/Band] Quiz

Recurring Revenue

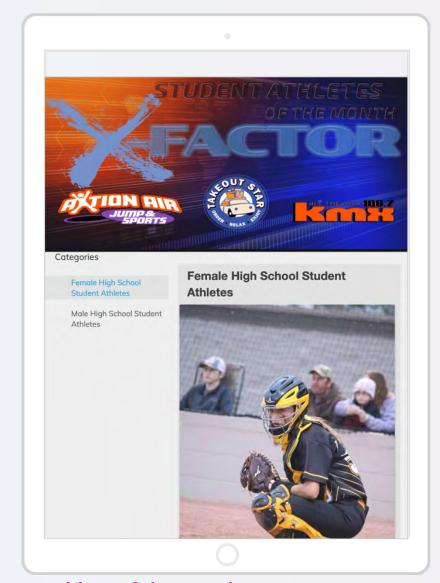
- Monthly Music Giveaway
- Hometown Heroes
- Athlete of the Month

- Concert Calendar
- Morning Show Round Up

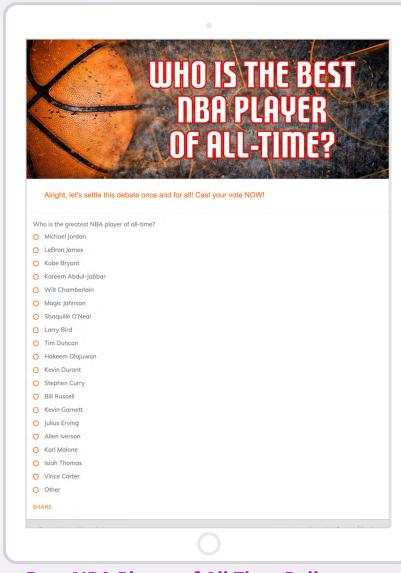
Sports Opportunities for Your Format



Arizona Sports Daily Insider Newsletter



Athlete of the Month Contest



Best NBA Player of All Time Poll

Quizzes

- Test Your [Team/ Athlete] Trivia
- Which Morning Show Host Are You?
- Year in Review / Season in Review

Ballots

- Best of Team Ballot
- Best of Stadium Food
- Year in Review

Photo & Video Contests

- Littlest Fan Photo Contest
- Dad and Me Photo Contest
- Man Cave Makeover

Brackets

- Ultimate [Quarterback/ · Season Ticket Pitcher/Goalie]
- Top Sports Bar
- Golfers Paradise Club Bracket

List-Builders

- Giveaway
- Who Will Win the Game? Poll
- · Which Game are You Watching? Poll

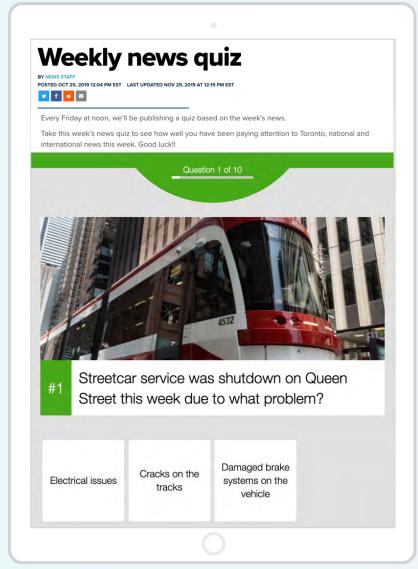
Recurring Revenue

- Athlete of the Week
- Game of the Week
- Monthly Ticket Giveaway

- Team Round Up
- Morning Show Newsletter

News Talk

Opportunities for Your Format



Weekly News Quiz



Top News Stories of the Year Poll



News Talk Daily Update Newsletter

Quizzes

- Weekly News Quiz
- Who Said It? QuizHow Much Do You
- How Much Do You Know About the Candidates?

Ballots

- Top News Stories
- Year in Review
- Best Politicians of All Time

Photo & Video Contests

- Weather Photos
- Pet Photo Contest

Brackets

- Battle of Past Presidents
- Burger Battle
- Bestseller Book Battle

List-Builders

- Ticket Giveaways
- Weekly News Quiz
- Who Said It? Poll of the Day or Week

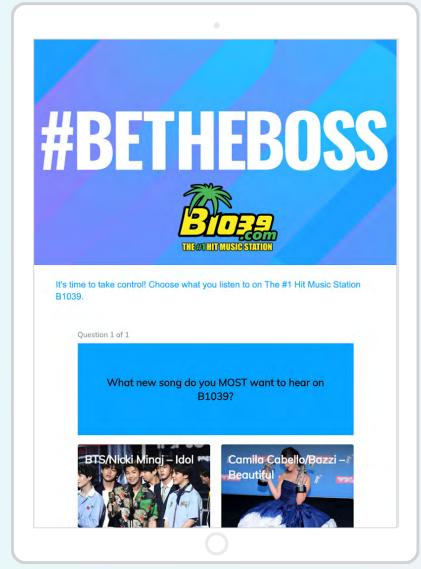
Recurring Revenue

- Hometown Heroes
- Monthly Travel Getaway
- Incredible Teachers

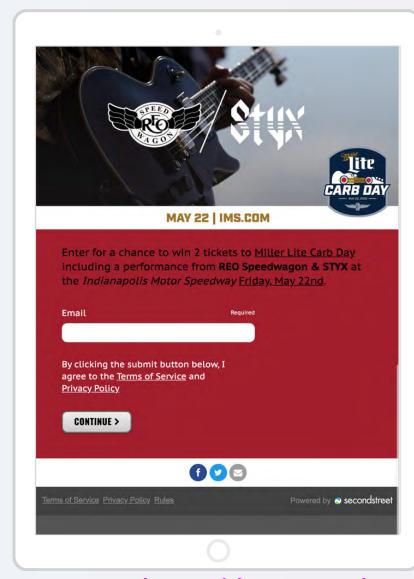
- Lunchtime Roundup
- Top Stories

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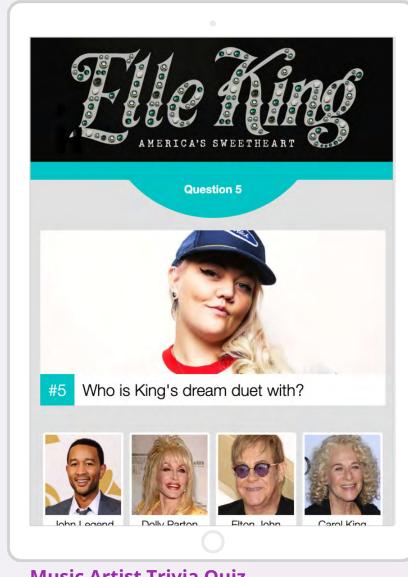
Opportunities for Your Format



Be the Boss Listener Poll



Concert and Event Ticket Sweepstakes



Music Artist Trivia Quiz

Quizzes

- Which Pop Icon are You?
- How Much do You Know about [Artist/ Band?
- Which Afternoon Show Host are You?

Ballots

- Year in Review
- Best of the 90s
- Citywide Best Of

Photo & Video Contests

- Cutest Pet/Kid Photo Contest
- Mom and Me
- She Shed Makeover

Brackets

- Ultimate Rom Com
- Battle of the Movie Ballads
- Totally Tacos Bracket
 Weekly Round Up

List-Builders

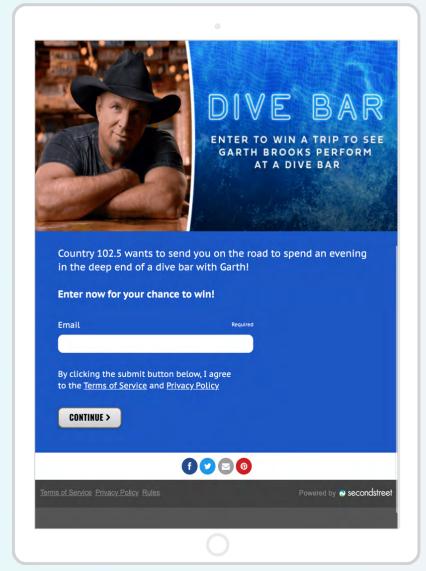
- Which Song Should We Play? Poll
- Ticket Giveaways
- Quizzes

Recurring Revenue

- Classroom of the Month
- Athlete of the Week
- Grocery Giveaway

- Concert Roundup
- Daily Headlines
- Mom Newsletter

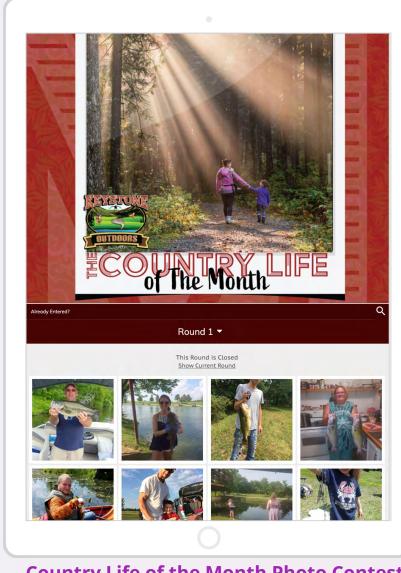
Country **Opportunities for Your Format**



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