

November 1, 2022



Dear Saint George Families,

We are excited to celebrate our upcoming Annual Dinner Auction, *Pure Imagination*. The theme speaks to the innovations and future creations of our 250+ students, who have shown such amazing ingenuity, tenacity, and hunger to learn despite the challenges we have experienced during the past two years. It is the bright minds and brilliant imaginations of these young scholars that will take us through the rest of the 21st century. As we continue to support our children's dreams, we look to each family to help with this effort by fulfilling the fundraising commitment we made at registration.

The information below comes from frequently asked questions, and are intended to help families understand the fundraising commitment and the Annual Dinner Auction:

How much is my family's fundraising commitment?

Each family has committed to raising at least \$500 for the 2022-2023 school year through the school's main fundraising events, the Annual Dinner Auction & the Jog-A-Thon.

How can I meet my fundraising commitment by helping with this year's auction?

You can meet your commitment by donating goods or experiences. We ask that the value of each tangible item donated does not exceed \$150, and the value of donated gift cards are in amounts of \$25, \$50, or \$100.

Can I give a cash donation instead of donating an item?

Yes, you can make a cash donation to underwrite the cost of auction expenses. You will receive full credit for any cash amount you donate. For example, if you give \$500, you will be credited the full amount towards your fundraising commitment.

Are gift card donations considered cash donations?

No, gift cards are not considered cash donations. While they are treated as cash at stores, gift cards cannot be used to underwrite the cost of auction expenses.

I need to donate \$200 to fulfill my obligation, but the value of each item can't exceed \$150, what can I do?

You can donate more than one item, or make a cash contribution.

If I want to donate \$400 worth of items, can the entire \$400 be deducted from my fundraising obligations?

Up to \$250 of each family's donation of goods or experiences will count towards their fundraising commitment. A donated item valued at \$100 will receive a \$100 fundraising credit. A donation of items valued at \$400 total will receive the maximum fundraising credit of \$250.

What kinds of items can I donate for the auction?

All tangible items must be new, unused, and functioning. We are providing guidelines to help ease the donation process - *please see the attached procurement brochure*. We have also created an Amazon Wishlist that families can easily order from and the item will be sent directly to the school. A link will be emailed to all school families.

Is my donation to the Auction tax deductible?

St. George Parish School is a registered 501(c)(3) organization. Please consult with your tax advisor.

To receive fundraising credit please fill out the procurement form on the attached procurement brochure and turn it in with your donation item. If you are shipping the item directly to St. George, please turn in your procurement form and mark the box indicating that it is being shipped to the school. **All donations of goods or experiences must be received by the front office by Wednesday, January 11, 2023 in order to receive credit.**

For any questions, please contact our Development Office at Auction@SaintGeorgeSeattle.org, or 206.767.1909.

We appreciate your support!

2023 Saint George Auction Committee