

AUCTION EDITION



WHY THE AUCTION? Fundraising Plays a Crucial Role at Charter Schools

Charter schools are publically funded with a per-pupil allotment from the government which comes from taxpayer dollars. However, this allotment is significantly lower than a traditional public school. Charter schools receive just a fraction of what their counterparts receive, covering about 60% of operating costs. That is why private fundraising is critical to the success of MACS. In order to fully address the educational needs of students, we as a MACS community need to close the gap.

It is our goal, here at MACS, to hold an annual auction as our largest and most strategic fundraising event of the year. All the proceeds benefit MACS. This event is intended to generate a large portion of our annual fund. This event allows us to address critical operational challenges and sustainability, as well as to provide academic enhancement programs to students. Financial gains from this event are a tangible, measurable step towards improving your child's education.

Friends of MACS and the Board of Trustees are entirely volunteer-run. They make up a partnership between the parents and the community. FoMACS sponsors events/programs while the Board builds community partnerships. This aids in the procuring of much needed funds and supports the needs of our growing student population. FoMACS and the Board decided on holding this annual auction because it was the best fundraising vehicle to get us from where we are now, financially, to where we strive to be.

We rely heavily on the support of our parents to make this event successful. From volunteering, to attending, to donating items - or knowing someone who will, parents are an essential part of this event. It is also an excellent way to get to know your MACS community. Please consider the many valuable ways you can contribute to this event to make it a success!

PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP

Pride of ownership of MACS is indicative of a vested interest in the school. Ownership, in terms of school experience, places a value on the school. This value translates to commitment and motivation. Commitment to MACS will foster an attitude of devotion, where there is a willingness to devote time, resources, and energy to help your school. Commitment and pride in your school drives engagement, which in turns sets a standard of achievement. This commitment goes hand-in-hand with motivation. Being motivated to help MACS succeed will compel and inspire us to direct our energy into creating opportunities that enable us to attain our goals at MACS. This attitude of Pride will allow us to consistently meet or exceed the standard of achievement, creating a close community dedicated to success. Taking ownership in your school is the first step to success for your child and for MACS.

MACS 2ND ANNUAL AUCTION

Our Largest Fundraising Event

MACS tries to avoid constant fundraising events like selling magazines, candy, gifts, etc... you know what we are talking about. While specific classes have raised funds and sought donations, the school itself relies heavily on this one event. Our Auction has so much to offer: it is a wonderful social event, a night away from the children with childcare options available, it's a community event bringing people together, it helps raise much needed funds for the school, AND its' fun! Please consider attending and/or supporting this fantastic fundraising event for your school!

COMING ON APRIL 7TH 2017!

NASHUA COUNTRY CLUB

25 FAIRWAY ST, NASHUA, NH 03060

TIME: 6:00 PM

Volunteering is a great way to make friends, have fun, and help the school. There are many ways to get involved. All are welcome and encouraged to join one of the various committees. Soliciting donations from the businesses you frequent is essential part of the Auction. Consider donating a special talent or hobby. All donations Must be submitted to the school and require a completed Auction Donation Record no later than March 1, 2017.

We always need help soliciting donations. If you are creative, consider donating a one of a kind piece or volunteering your services in that respect; also, marketing and advertising are needed. If your time is limited, we need volunteers to help on a one-time basis such as stuffing invitations, wrapping basket items, and setting up on the day of the event.

Look for announcements in your email for upcoming meetings and ways to get involved.

If you have any questions in the interim, please contact Tennille Huxley.

Auction Items

Hot items tend to be items not sold in stores, like tickets to an event, electronics, jewelry and vacations. Also, VIP Parking, adventure activities, golf outings, spa packages, etc. - these items encourage spirited, competitive bidding.

Class Baskets

The auction class baskets are how we involve students. Classrooms choose the theme for their basket and the teacher sends an e-mail/Sign-up Genius to parents asking for donations. Each class donates one basket for this festive event.

Message from Tennille

Please take a few minutes to complete a quick survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/25Z2PGP> your answers will help the Auction Committee better plan this year's event. We value your opinion.

Do's and Don'ts of Donating

- DO bring your donation to the MACS front office. Please label the item with your name (not your child's)
- DO donate only NEW, unexpired items.
- DO have your donation into the office before **March 1st**.
- DO contact Tennille Huxley at 603-554-0019 or tennillehuxley@gmail.com with questions or if you need to have your item picked up.
- DO NOT donate a live (plant, animal, etc.) or a perishable item
- DO NOT donate guns, knives, or fireworks.



HOTEL & TRAVEL

Vacation home rentals and time shares
 Wine getaways
 Golf getaways
 California getaways
 Extreme sports getaways
 Hotel stays
 Winter ski packages with lodging
 Airline tickets / travel points
 Luggage
 Camping gear and equipment
 Limo certificates / Classic car rentals

ENTERTAINMENT & SPORTS

Concert tickets
 Sports Events tickets / Suites
 Celebrity / Athlete meet and greet
 Golf foursomes
 Movie/Theatre tickets
 Amusement park admission tickets
 "Behind the scenes" tours
 Boating / Fishing excursions
 Specialty bus tours
 Signed sports memorabilia
 Sports equipment
 Sports lessons / training
 Music lessons
 Musical instruments

Board games / Card games
 Video Entertainment Centers / Games

Musical CD's
 DVD's / Blu-Ray Discs

ELECTRONICS

Flat screen TV
 Digital Camera / Camcorder
 iPod/ MP3 Players
 Designer headphones
 Smart phones
 iPad/ Tablets
 Laptop / Notebook
 Home theater system
 GPS
 DVD / Blu-Ray Player
 Printers

CHILDREN & FAMILY

Children's summer camps
 Children's classes / Tutoring services
 Family portraits
 Toys / Books
 Dog walking services / Pet sitting
 Pet supplies
 Veterinary services

FOOD & WINE

Restaurant dining certificates
 Cooking / Baking classes
 Vintage wines / Champagne
 Top shelf alcohol / Mixes
 Beer
 Kitchen appliances / Accessories
 Gourmet wine baskets
 Hosted dinner parties
 Wine tasting parties

HEALTH & BEAUTY

Salon / Spa certificates
 Gym or health club memberships
 Hair, manicure, pedicure or facial certificate
 Dental exams
 Chiropractic evaluation / treatment

Teeth whitening
 Eye exams
 Yoga / Zumba / Pilates classes
 Beauty products basket
 Fitness equipment
 Personal training sessions

HOME, GARDEN & OFFICE

Interior design services
 Decorative home accessories
 Florist certificate
 Bar Accessories
 Glassware
 Lighting, architectural services
 Landscaping services
 Garden accessories / Garden Tools
 Computer / Design classes
 Office supplies / Software
 Business / Personal financial planning
 Tax preparation / Estate planning

FASHION

Women's apparel gift cards / Accessories
 Men's apparel gift cards / Accessories
 College & universities spirit wear
 Designer Purses / Wallets
 Jewelry
 Watches
 Sunglasses

Custom apparel & accessories

ARTS & HANDCRAFTS

Art classes / Supplies
 One-of-a-kind quilt
 Photography classes
 Custom mural design
 Scrapbook / Crafting Supplies

**Still not sure what to donate?
 Monetary donations are welcomed!**