

MESSIAH MASQUERADE FAQ'S



- Date/Time/Location?
 - Saturday, April 1 at 6pm - Old Hickory Golf Club (1 Dye Club Dr., St. Charles)
- Is there a dress code?
 - Dress for the evening is “dressy/cocktail”
- It’s a masquerade, should I wear a mask?
 - YES!! You are welcome to wear a masquerade mask, but of course it is not required.
- Should I bring a mask with me?
 - We will have a lot of masks as party favors available the night of the auction, but you are welcome to bring your own mask, especially if you want to coordinate with your outfit.
- Is there still time to help? What can I do?
 - We can always use donations in the form of money, gift cards (any amount - smaller gift cards are placed in gift card trees) or items for auction. Do you offer services that would make a great auction package? Please consider donating. Some companies match donations and we’d love to talk to you about that if you work for a company that will match. We could also use help decorating the day of the auction. Please let us know if you can help in that way. Finally, just participating and bidding on items is a great way to show your support!!
- What are sign up parties?
 - Sign up parties are fun events that will be available at the auction as a first come/first serve sign up. These events are usually sponsored and hosted by Messiah families. We’ve done parties such as 80’s Prom Murder Mystery, Survivor, Back to School Beach Bash, Minute to Win It and Cheer/Basketball Camps. There is something for everyone and it’s a great way to support the school while filling your calendar with some fun events!
- What is Dessert Dash?
 - Dessert Dash is a fun tradition we began a few years ago. During the course of the evening, each table will fill their envelope with money/bids to try to “win” 1st pick at their dessert. There will be lots of yummy desserts to choose from, but you don’t want to be last!! This has been a super fun way to raise money for Messiah Lutheran School and encourage a little friendly competition.
- How can I buy tickets?
 - Tickets are on sale NOW!! You can purchase tickets here: <http://mlslions.org/support-mls/auction/>

- How many are at a table and do I need to have a full table to sign up?
 - We seat 10 people per table. You do not need a full table to sign up, but you can sign up with a full table of 10 and note who will be in your party to ensure that you are seated together.

- How do we use the money that is raised?
 - The purpose of the auction is to raise money to support Messiah Lutheran School's budget. It is our biggest fundraiser of the year. The money raised is used in many different ways to keep the high quality of Christian education.
 - One of the biggest goals of the auction is to support the FUND A NEED. Every year, the school identifies an improvement that is needed to keep Messiah equipped with the best tools for our students' minds, bodies and spirits. Past years include things like Smartboards, a new playground, and more computers. This year, we are STEM focused again with a very exciting Science initiative. This well-rounded plan will impact **Pre-K through 8th grade** in three major ways:
 - Facility & Equipment Enhancements: adding water faucets to the science lab workstations, purchasing a mobile science cart for hands-on classroom experience, adding indoor tower growing systems for 84 plants
 - Curriculum Additions: Adding guest speaker assemblies (2 per year for 2 years) to bring in experts (St. Louis Science Center, Missouri Botanical Gardens, The Reptile Experience) and purchasing Discovery Education Streaming- a service that motivates students and aids teachers
 - Hands-on Materials and Activities: microscopes, digital scales, electric circuit kits, eye & ear models, age-appropriate lab experiments like making slime or DNA extraction, Early Childhood Education activity tables and portable science activity stations
 - We ask for monetary donations the night of the auction, as well as accept contributions in the weeks surrounding, to fund this need. We need your help! Our goal this year is \$40,000 and every dollar counts. Please consider supporting this exciting science driven fundraiser.

- Who can I reach out to with questions or to discuss donating?
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