

# St. Edward Catholic School



## MARDI GRAS MASQUERADE

### **What is the Mardi Gras Masquerade?**

The Mardi Gras Masquerade is our annual fundraiser, also known as the annual auction. It is the largest fundraiser of the year. The event includes dinner, dancing, a variety of silent auction items (including handmade projects done by each class), and an exciting live auction.

### **When and where is the Mardi Gras Masquerade?**

March 1, 2019 at the Northgate Country Club.

### **Where do the auction items come from?**

All auction items are received on a donation basis from school families and local businesses. All donations are tax deductible for the donor.

### **When are you accepting donations?**

We are taking donations now through the end of 2018.

### **Where do I bring my donation?**

Donations can be sent in with the students or brought to the front office. Additionally, there are several dates when we accept donations during morning carline. This month we are taking carline donations on Sept 25 & 27. Please check the school newsletter for future dates.

### **How much are tickets to the auction?**

Tickets are \$99 each.

**Where can I buy tickets to the auction?**

Tickets can be purchased in the front office of the school. Formal invitations will be sent home in mid-October and will include RSVP cards for purchasing tickets.

**What is the money raised at the auction used for?**

All funds raised are put toward specific school programs. This year we will use the funds for technology enhancements, playground enhancements, and a portion will be put toward the new building fund.

**What are the Monarch signs with the first, second and third place ribbons posted along the carline path for?**

Each month we have a competition for class participation in auction preparations. The class with the highest participation in the activity highlighted for the given month will receive a prize. For the month of September, we are tracking donations by classroom. The class with the highest number of students donating items will be allowed to wear a Mardi Gras colored shirt to school on October 4.

**Are kids allowed at the auction?**

The event is for adults only.

**Why do I see some students wearing Mardi Gras Beads on Friday?**

Students who bring in a donation during a given week are recognized at Friday morning assembly and receive Mardi Gras beads as a thank you gift.

**How can I get a Mardi Gras Masquerade shirt?**

T-shirts can be purchased in the front office for \$15.

**Where can I get more information about the Mardi Gras Masquerade?**

You can visit our Auction webpage by starting at the school webpage, then going to the Give menu on the far right, then St. Edward Auction. You can also visit our Facebook page, which can be found by searching for SECS Auction. Finally, you can email the auction committee at [stedwardschoolauction@gmail.com](mailto:stedwardschoolauction@gmail.com).

**How can I help with the preparations for the Mardi Gras Masquerade?**

The Auction committee is always looking for volunteers! Send an email to [stedwardschoolauction@gmail.com](mailto:stedwardschoolauction@gmail.com) to find out how you can help.