

TEACHER & STAFF OUTINGS

Teacher & Staff Outings are experiences generously donated by our beloved educators and staff members for the community to bid on, and in no time have we craved the company of our Mar Vista teachers more than this year! Of course, keeping our students and staff safe during a pandemic continues to be critically important and this year's "outings" will be offerings that are equally intimate and fun while still maintaining safety, such as pen paling with teachers, doing a project on Zoom and more! Look for the full gamut of exciting staff offerings in February!

HELP MAKE THE AUCTION A BIG SUCCESS!

Donate an auction item today or be a Family Sponsor to help offset the cost of the event!

DONOR SOLICITATIONS

LOCAL BUSINESSES, TRAVEL & HOTEL GETAWAYS, CAMPS, AND CLASSES

Many businesses are seeking creative marketing outlets during this challenging year. Let them know that over 500 families will hear their names, see it in our online catalog, and know of their generous donation to our school... It's a win win! In addition, many are looking for opportunities to support their community and get positive publicity in the process. Their donations may also be tax-deductible!

***TIP:** Next time you get a haircut, enroll your child to music/dance/sports classes, go shopping, run errands, or eat/take out at your favorite restaurant, strike up a conversation about donating to the auction. It is surprisingly easy to do and a great way to get to know the owner or manager of your favorite establishment. Also consider purchasing a gift card from one of your favorite places and donate it to the auction; you'd be simultaneously supporting local business and our school! We need your help to generate as many dona-

tions as possible! Donate a talent: cooking, baked goods, soup of the week, dessert of the month club... these homemade items are a favorite and generate a frenzy of bidding!

Remember to take the auction solicitation letter and donor form with you. If it is easier, email your favorite places and ask for their support. Keep a few copies in your car or bag so they are handy. Please contact one of the solicitation co-chairs if you need a copy of the letter and donation form.

Attach cover letter to the solicitation form. Businesses need the MVSEG tax ID number.

- Fill in your name and phone # on the donor form in advance.
- Explain how much our school depends on private funds. Let the business know exactly what impact of the state budget cuts have been on our local public school.

- Offer to come back and pick up the certificate as a way to ensure a timely response. Or, circle or highlight the address on the form to which they can send their donations and responses.
- Call/email the establishment, especially if you know the management and arrange a safe time to pick up the donation.
- Contact info for questions or to offer help: Jasmine Jaffe (jaffefamily5@gmail.com), Adrienne Bussell (adrienne728@gmail.com) & Jessica Berlin (jessicaberlin@gmail.com)

SUPERHEROES, UNITE!

ALL DONATIONS ARE WELCOME!

Donations can be geared for parents or for kids! Auction item ideas might include:

- **Restaurant Solicitations** (Last year's auction featured many of Los Angeles' top restaurants as well as local family favorites.)
- **Gift Certificates** (Spa & Massages, Retail Stores, Salons, Dinners)
- **Celebrity Signed Items** (Sports & Entertainment Memorabilia)
- **Luxury Items & Tech Gadgets**
- **Professional Services, Private Lessons, Photography**
- **Vacation Get-Aways** (Hotels, Cruises, Airplane Tickets, Vacation Rentals)
- **Tickets / Passes** (Sporting Events, Shows, Concerts, Film Premieres, Clubs, Set Visits)
- **Gift Cards** (in any denomination)

...Get creative! There are many potential items that would be hot commodities in a Covid era such as grocery gift cards, safe family experiences, kids' games, 2022 travel, and more!

