



Dear Parents,

Great Escapes is just around the corner and we wanted to take this opportunity to answer some questions about this wonderful event.

Great Escapes is a voluntary undertaking sponsored by the CCDS Parents' Association. This year our auction is scheduled for March 9, 2019. The event attracts more than 200 guests comprised of CCDS families, community leaders and other friends of the school. The auction features over 300 silent and live items ranging in value from \$5 to \$5,000.

While we receive donations of goods and services from many sources to complete our silent and live auction packages, we need 100% participation from CCDS families to make the auction a success. Please use the attached contract to donate items, cash for the purchase of items, or to help us solicit donations from friends or businesses that you frequent. It may be your favorite restaurant, businesses that you work with on a daily basis or even your hairdresser. EVERY donation is greatly appreciated! Although we all have financial choices to make, what better place to invest your money than in your child's education and future.

Last year's auction raised over \$200,000. Proceeds of the auction were allocated to the school to support arts and athletic programs, library materials, computer technology and faculty professional development. In addition, we were able to purchase a new school bus to be used for field trips, athletic events, service learning and other enriching events for our children!

Auction attendance and proceeds are vital to CCDS. Please consider bringing friends, family and associates to this fun and exciting evening.

Thank you in advance for your support of this most important event. Please return completed contracts by **February 8, 2019**, to have items listed in the program. Donations received after this date will be listed in our program addendum. Additional contracts are available at the front door of the school and on our website. If you have further questions or would like to volunteer, please contact us. We look forward to an exciting year and hope that you will join us in making our auction successful!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karla Thompson".

Karla Thompson, Great Escapes Chair
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Attachment -1 Contract