



December 2017

Dear St. Ignatius Families,

On Saturday, March 10, 2018 St. Ignatius School will host its annual Gala and Auction, with a Pirate's Ball theme at the Croatian American Cultural Center. This year the Gala events and program materials will be circulated to over 2,800 parishioners, school families and members of the community. Last year our Gala and Auction raised over \$150,000 and is the largest fundraiser during the school year. Our success at this event is due in large part to the support of you and businesses like yours!

We are writing to request your support. By making a donation to our auction, you will be giving a tax deductible contribution that will help our students and community, as well as gain valuable exposure for your business at our event. Our St. Ignatius community is passionately committed to returning support to business patrons partnering with us as we invest in our children's education.

The proceeds from the 2018 Gala and Auction will be used to support necessary resources and programs for children at St. Ignatius. St. Ignatius Parish School offers a Jesuit education and cares for not only the children in attendance but offers support for the greater community. As a Jesuit community, we are focused on raising men and women for others. The following are a few examples of how the students at St. Ignatius give back to the community:

- ❖ Tuition Assistance –School provides over \$65,000 to support our families in need
- ❖ Homeless –Students help provide a monthly meal and necessities for the homeless
- ❖ Adopt a Family during Christmas, Food Drives
- ❖ Supporting our Troops
- ❖ Visiting the Elderly in the Community
- ❖ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Pedro Arrupe Projects that support over 34 non-profit organizations

We would be most grateful to receive a donation from you. Donating items or unique experiences is a great way to promote your business. Please know it would be greatly appreciated by our Gala guests and most importantly by our students. All contributions are tax deductible under our tax ID# 45-4177209.

Please find the donation form, sponsorship level and advertising submission information enclosed. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us by phone or by email at [yohoyoho@sigala.org](mailto:yohoyoho@sigala.org).

Thank you for your kind consideration.

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