

35 Years... Thousands of Children... Millions of Memories

Dear Parents and Friends,

Indian Creek School welcomes students from pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade to experience the challenges and joys of learning. Each day students and teachers engage a strong academic program in a warm, supportive environment. We celebrate the arts and the diversity of our community. We enjoy the challenges of sports and treasure good health. We value each other and giving back to others. As a non-sectarian, coeducational independent school, we operate on two campuses in suburban Crownsville, Maryland. Guided by our dedicated Board of Trustees and administration, we work to ensure Indian Creek's philosophical integrity and provide for its growth and financial stability.

Indian Creek School's Live & Silent Auction, Studio35, hits the dance floor on Saturday, March 7th, 2009 to celebrate our 35th Anniversary. Sponsored by our Parent Teacher Organization and held at our Upper School campus, the auction benefits the school's Teacher Enrichment Fund, the Cultural Arts Program and the PTO Wish List. These programs support our faculty, school and children in many ways.

- The Teacher Enrichment Fund, managed by the school's administration, supports continuing education and professional development activities for our faculty. This fund is also used to recognize longevity of faculty members and to bring in outstanding speakers and workshops that are held on our own campuses.
- The Cultural Arts program brings enriching and engaging curriculum based performances and artist residencies to all three divisions within the school. The programs are designed to complement the subjects that the students are learning in the classrooms. Past activities have included international dance troupes, ceramicists, sculptors, poets, painters and other artists.
- The PTO Wish List program provides goods and materials requested by our faculty to enhance and enrich their regular classroom activities. Teachers rely on the PTO Wish List program for specialized equipment that is not supported by the regular classroom budget.

It is especially important in these challenging economic times that our community pulls together to help assure the continuing excellence in education that ICS offers. We hope that you will consider donating an auction item, gift certificate, or gift basket to our auction. As a donor, you will receive publicity prior to and during the event which will be viewed by every invitee and attendee. We will be sending out more than 3,000 invitations to current and past members and families of the ICS community and expect a tremendous turn out to celebrate our 35th anniversary.

May we count on your help? An auction committee member would be happy to pick up your item at your convenience. Or, if you would prefer, you may send it to Indian Creek School Parent Teacher Organization at 1130 Anne Chambers Way, Crownsville, Maryland 21032. To ensure proper recognition at the auction and in our catalog, please submit your donation no later than February 13th, 2009.

Yours truly,

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