

Mary Woodward Elementary
12325 SW Katherine St.
Tigard, OR 97223



December 2, 2011

Dear Business Owner:

Auction greetings! The annual Mary Woodward Elementary School Auction is scheduled for Saturday February 25, 2012, which is right around the corner!

Last year's auction was a hugely successful event. The proceeds of over \$30,000 in ticket and auction sales far exceeded our expectations. This remarkable achievement was entirely due to the generous donations and other contributions from people like you.

The main objective for this year's auction is to acquire funds to continue programs and activities not supported by state money. These important programs and activities affect the education of ALL of our students:

- **Teaching assistants to enable teachers to work with smaller groups of students within the mandated larger class size;**
- **Programs such as Art Literacy, which all the kids absolutely love and look forward to every month. This gives them the opportunity to explore their creative side.**
- **Field trips and other special learning opportunities, including our nationally acclaimed Woodward Gardens; and**
- **Maintaining and keeping our aging buildings and outdoor play areas safe and up to date.**

The Mary Woodward Parent Student Organization is seeking your support for this year's auction in two ways: (1) donating services, merchandise, and gift certificates that can be auctioned; and (2) advertising in the auction catalog or becoming a sponsor to let our students and their families know that you support our school. Every contribution makes a difference and is greatly appreciated!

We need to collect donations by February 1, 2012. All donations are fully tax deductible as allowed by law. Mary Woodward is a 501(c) (3) tax exempt organization, EIN# 93-1207373 and donating to our elementary school is a great way to support the future leaders of our community.

We look forward to hearing from you soon! If you have any questions, please contact Trissa Davis at 503-524-4393 or via email at trissad@comcast.net.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Trissa Davis

Auction Committee Chair Person