

Dear Friends of Pope St. John XXIII STEM Academy,

For 100 years, Pope St. John XXIII STEM Academy has been a vital part of the South Tacoma community, providing a faith-based, high-quality education to children of all backgrounds. With your support, our students are inspired to pursue careers as future scholars, engineers, artists, teachers, and leaders.

At Pope St. John XXIII, we're committed to providing a top-tier STEM curriculum to every family, regardless of financial means. Your support helps us maintain our mission of excellence in education and faith for years to come.

The funds raised at our annual gala play a crucial role in funding our tuition assistance program and strengthening our academic offerings. In 2024, we raised over \$120,000 to support tuition assistance, which benefits approximately 75% of our families.

This year, we invite you to join us in celebrating our "Celebrating 100 Years" Auction Gala on April 5, 2025, at the McGavick Conference Center. Our goal is to raise over \$140,000, and we would be honored to have your support in achieving it.

There are two ways you can make a meaningful contribution:

- 1. **Partner Sponsorship**: Become a sponsor for our auction! There are various levels of sponsorship, each offering unique benefits such as advertising opportunities and premium seating at the event. For more details, please refer to the attached document outlining these opportunities.
- 2. **Item(s) Contribution/Donation**: Donate an item, service, or experience for our live or silent auction. Your donation will directly benefit our students and the programs that make Pope St. John XXIII a beacon of hope and opportunity.

All donations must be received by **February 19, 2025**. Your contribution is 100% tax-deductible (Tax ID: 91-1743368). You can complete your donation using the QR code below or the attached form. Forms can be emailed to **auctioncommittee@psistem.org** or mailed to:

Pope St. John XXIII STEM Academy Attn: Auction Chair 3306 South 58th Street Tacoma, WA 98409

We greatly appreciate your support. Together, we can close opportunity gaps, enrich our children's lives, and strengthen the South Tacoma community.

Thank you for helping us build a brighter future.

Sincerely,

Tara Sitienei, Auction Chair

Laura Price, Logistics Coordinator

Pope St. John XXIII STEM Academy

