

Excellence! in education

Rainier Christian Schools' 2011/2012 Auction News

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Auction Planning Dates *(tentative schedule)*

- ◆ Intro Meeting
Thursday, Nov 3
- ◆ Planning Meeting
Thursday, Dec 1
- Thursday, Jan 12
- Thursday, Feb 9
- Thursday, Mar 8
- Thursday, Apr 5
- Thursday, Apr 19
- ◆ Work Party
Tuesday, Apr 24
- ◆ Work Party
Thursday, Apr 26

*Meetings are held
at RCS' Administrative
Office in Renton next to
Maple Valley Elem.
from 7:00 to 9:00pm.*

TWO AUCTION EVENTS - ONE GREAT PURPOSE

Rainier Christian Schools is currently accepting donations for their third **ONLINE AUCTION** that will open **Wednesday, November 23rd** and run until **Wednesday, December 7, 2011**. With the goal of offering certificates for products or services that you might want to give for Christmas, the Auction team is working hard to get over 200 donations to post in our Online Auction at www.rainier.afrogs.org. If you were to visit now, the page is still showing our spring Online Auction, but look for the current items we'll be auctioning to show up there by November 1st. We are looking for certificates/gift cards to restaurants, hotels, zoos, theatres, Christmas shows, Claire's, Game Stop, the mall, etc. Things we can mail to winning bidders near or far in time for Christmas giving and help keep shipping expenses to a minimum.

Rainier Christian Schools will host their **15th Annual LIVE AUCTION** on **Saturday, April 28, 2012** from 5:00 – 9:30pm at The Kent Commons. Mark your calendar now to attend this fun-filled event in support of all RCS campuses. It's truly a wonderful evening.

Over the past 14 years, RCS' auctions have raised over \$1 million because of the support received from auction donors and guests. This money has been used to directly benefit our students, staff, and facilities. We count it a privilege to be able to offer excellence in education to students from infant through grade 12. The auction helps us do so.

Our auction goals this year are:

- \$130,000.00 net raised total through the Online Auction and Live Auction
- \$50,000.00 donated directly for scholarships through the Online and Live Auctions

Auction forms for donations, advertising or sponsorships are at every campus and available online on the "Spring Auction" page under Giving & Events of the RCS webpage www.rainiercsd.org. We are grateful for your continued support this year with the auctions.

WAYS TO HELP WITH THE 2012 SPRING LIVE AUCTION

1. Let us know that you will donate, it's not too early to make a donation:
 - a. Gift baskets, home or auto care items, games/toys for children, or custom-made items
 - b. Certificates for personal services (organizing, piano lessons, manicures, golf lessons)
 - c. A gourmet dessert
2. Ask businesses to donate items or services (relatives & friends, too!)
3. Volunteer to help requests donations from businesses in our database, do data entry of donations, or help stuff and stamp mailings
4. Underwrite printing services, event decorations, A/V equipment, event tickets for RCS staff, etc
5. Become a Sponsor of the 2012 Live Auction
6. Place an ad in the auction catalog or invite your favorite businesses to advertise
7. Use your writing skills to help create the auction newsletters and do articles for campus newsletters
8. Become a part of the Auction Committee by emailing auction@rainiercsd.org to find out when in November they will begin meeting

This year, our goal to net \$130,000.00 is necessary so we can continue our mission of educating and developing the whole person for the glory of God. Contact Kristine Greene, the RCS Auction Coordinator, at 425-255-7273 or auction@rainiercsd.org with any questions or to discuss ways you can help with auction planning. Many hands make light work, and the 2012 Auction Planning Committee looks forward to meeting you!

Dear Rainier Christian Schools' Parent, Staff Member, or Supporter:

Each year, the Auction Committee of Rainier Christian Schools looks to improve our Annual Live Auction. Please take a moment to complete the brief survey below about this past spring's "Excellence! in education" Live Auction that was held in April.

1. Did you attend the 14th Annual Rainier Christian Schools Auction held April 2, 2011?
 _____ Yes _____ No

If no, why not?

- _____ a. Other Commitment
 _____ b. Expense
 _____ c. Location
 _____ d. Other (please specify) _____

2. Is April a good time of year to hold this event (we have 2012's scheduled for April 28)?
 _____ Yes _____ No

If no, what time of year would be better? _____

3. Please rate the following, with 5 being the best, 1 being the worst, if you attended the April 4, 2011 auction. Please give any comments you have, especially for those you evaluated at 2 or 1:

	Best					Worst	Comments:
	5	4	3	2	1		
Date	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Ticket Price	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Location	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Buffet Dinner	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Auctioneer	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Emcee	5	4	3	2	1		_____
50/50 Raffle Tickets	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Dessert Auction	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Items Offered	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Silent Auction	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Bidding Prices	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Super Silent Auction	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Live Auction	5	4	3	2	1		_____
Overall Value	5	4	3	2	1		_____

Any other comments or suggestions for the 2012 Auction, being held April 28th?

**THANK YOU for taking a moment to make the RCS Annual Auction a great experience for everyone!
 Please return to any RCS campus or fax to 425-255-6101.**