Dear Student and Parents,

It's time for this school year's **SUPER RAFFLE!** Why do we offer these student-driven fundraisers? ALL families are asked to participate because the cost to educate one student at SMI is \$8,600 while tuition rates start at nearly half that amount. We need everyone to contribute to the life of our school to help our school going strong!

Please, families receiving any kind of tuition assistance, grant or financial aid must participate.

IMPORTANT: Ticket numbers are assigned to your family. Do not lose or throw away these tickets as you are responsible for their safe return, either sold or unsold. If you want to help but wish to opt out of this fundraiser, you may write a check to the school for their equivalent value which is \$160— tax deductible. Everyone is asked to sell just 8 tickets during the 3-month fundraising period.

GOALS

- Each <u>FAMILY</u> is asked to sell 8 tickets (2 sheets) or \$160 worth over the 3-month period
- Please, we need 100% family participation to be successful— that means every family taking part!
- Help our school raise \$30,000 through this fun and exciting student-driven fundraiser!

PRIZES

- The winner of the raffle will have their choice of one of these grand prizes:
 - FREE SMI Tuition (Early Childhood, Pre-K or K-8 tuition for one (1) student for 1 year
 - 4 or 5 night **Royal Caribbean Cruise** for 2 adults with choice of destinations plus \$1,000 spending cash that can be used for airfare or whatever you want!
 - ⇒ Departures available **from Miami and Port Canaveral** to ports such as **Key West, Nassau** and **CocoCay.**
 - ⇒ Departures available **from Port Canaveral, Ft. Lauderdale, Tampa,** or **Miami,** to ports such as **Cozumel, Belize, Honduras, Key West, Grand Cayman** and **Jamaica**.
 - 4 night Walt Disney World Family Vacation for 2 adults and up to 2 children (airfare not included)
 - ⇒ Customize your trip and choose the parks you want to visit!
 - ⇒ Stay at the Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Resort
 - ⇒ Additional guests and days can be added on for a fee via use of concierge service
 - If the trips are not your cup of tea— opt for the Cash Equivalent instead!
- The **student that sold the winning ticket will receive a \$100 Sticker Mule Gift Card** (if a student did not sell the winning ticket, a winning student will be drawn at random)
- The classroom of the student that sold the winning ticket will receive a week of dress down days!
- The student that sells the most tickets overall will win an amazing, one-of-a-kind VIP experience with their friends at one of these locations:
 - ⇒ AirDrenaline Adventure Park in Colonie
 - ⇒ Adirondack Extreme Adventure Course in Bolton Landing
 - ⇒ High Rollers in Amsterdam
 - ⇒ Via Entertainment in Rotterdam

Frequently Asked QUESTIONS

- Students will receive incentive prizes as ticket stubs and money are handed in!
- Students that hit their target sales (8 tickets per family) will receive a money bag and special VIP award!

TIMELINE

- The SUPER RAFFLE selling period runs through March 16, 2020
- The winner will be drawn the week of March 16, 2020
- Prizes will be distributed the week of March 23, 2020

FUNDRAISER INFORMATION

- Tickets are \$20 each or 1 sheet for \$80
- Tickets are not valid until paid for
- Tickets must be filled out completely, including student salesperson name and payment information
- * When selling a ticket:
 - * The top potion goes to the buyer
 - * The bottom portion you collect, along with their payment
- * Hand in any tickets as they are sold so you do not misplace them
- * A minimum number of tickets must be sold
- Students can sell as many tickets as they like— if you run out and need more, please see Mrs. De Jong.

FAQ

Q: What will the money raised be used for?

A: The goal of this fundraiser is \$30,000— funds to help the school keep tuition as low as possible and help to cover the cost to educate each student.

Q: How long will this fundraiser go on for?

A: The winner will be drawn the week of March 16, 2020. (If the minimum number of tickets are sold by that date). If the minimum number is not sold by March 16 the fundraiser will continue until that number is sold.

Q: What are the odds of winning?

A: SMI will limit the number of tickets sold to 1,500.

Q: What do I do with my ticket stubs and collected payments?

- Turn in completed ticket stubs and payments directly to the main office to be given to Mrs. De Jong or to your child's homeroom teacher, who will pass them along to the Development Office.
- Please be sure your child's name is clearly written on all tickets as Salesperson.
- Please do your best to sell all your tickets!!! We need 100% participation!!!

PEOPLE CAN ALSO BUY TICKETS ONLINE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE! www.saintmarysinstitute.com

Questions? Visit our website & click on the "Support" tab, or email Lauren de Jong at dejongl@smik8.org