

HOW TO #PartyAtYourPlace

FAQS



What can we expect during the event?

[Click here to access to our Qtego mobile bidding site – register and sign in!](https://www.stjcs.com/gala)

We know this is a new format for everyone, so here's an idea of what to expect on the night of the event. This is the same site we've used the last 3 years, so if you've participated at all in the past you should be familiar with how this site works, but if not, it's easy! Once, registered, the mobile site allows you to bid on items leading up to and during the event, and even offers a "set and forget" option so you can set your highest bid and get notifications if you are outbid. **You will also receive a text 10 minutes before the auction closes.** Please note for our 50/50 raffle, the winner will be drawn during the Family Trivia portion of the evening, and winner need not be (virtually!) present to win!

Make sure you are registered and signed in so you can see the **Live Stream** button in the top left corner of your screen— **it will not appear if you are not signed in (Also, if you have been signed in for some time, you may need to log out and sign back in again to see the words Live Stream and the camera icon).** Click on the orange words "**Live Stream**"/the **orange camera** icon to view the program – it will not open automatically. (Note: be sure you are logged in at least 15 minutes prior to the evening program start time (by 6:45pm) so that you don't miss any of the exciting content that we have lined up! To make it convenient for everyone, the video of the livestreamed program will appear at the top of your Qtego bidding page once you click on the **camera icon**, so everything you need will be live on one page!

The livestream program will follow a similar, yet condensed format to our typical event. We're excited to bring you some special guests, entertainment (for kids and adults alike!), and surprises during this program, which we anticipate will last about 45 minutes. You can watch this from any mobile device, computer, or streaming from your TV if you have a browser. Once the livestream portion has ended, you will be directed to a link to participate in our interactive, family-friendly virtual trivia entertainment.

But will everyone be able to see me?

During the livestream program, we will not have access to your camera or microphone, so feel free to lounge in PJs or bring out your fancy gala attire – whatever works best for you! The post-program trivia entertainment is set up in a Zoom-style format where you will interact with other families, so your camera and microphone will need to be on during that portion. You will be in smaller breakout groups and have an opportunity to collaborate with some fellow Panther families and team up for trivia!

Is there a way to view the Live Stream from my TV instead of a computer or mobile device?

Yes, absolutely! The easiest and most reliable solution is to make the event full screen on your laptop or desktop computer, then use an HDMI cable to connect your computer to your TV.

Some Smart TVs have a built-in web browser app, in which case you can just navigate to the following weblink: <https://stjcs.home.qtego.net/>.

If you do not have the requisite cables, you can often install a screen mirroring app on your computer that will allow you to broadcast what is appearing on your screen onto your TV. This can take some computer expertise, and may not be for the faint-hearted, as it could tend to be a bit "laggy" if your WiFi is unreliable.

- If you have a Mac and a MacTV, you can use AirPlay.
- If you have Roku or Chromecast, search in your streaming services store for "mirror screen"

How do we participate in the interactive trivia?

We're glad you asked! Once the Live Stream portion has concluded, use the link below to join us for Family Fun Trivia and some more surprises!

You can access this portion via Zoom. Use the meeting ID 89166196408 or this link - grco.de/sjcstrivia

Do I need to purchase a ticket to attend virtually?

We are very excited that the virtual format allows us to bring together SJCS families, friends, community supporters, benefactors, and alumni from all over – which we are very excited about! There is no charge to participate in the virtual event, [just follow this link](#) and register in order to view the live stream and bid on auction items.

If I bid on auction packages and win, how will I get my items?

In an effort to make sure we are keeping a safe environment for everyone; we will attempt to deliver as many auction packages as possible digitally. In some instances, where the item is a tangible basket or package, we will have 2 designated pickup times to procure your items. These times will be during the week of April 19th during morning carline, or after 4pm. We will reach out directly to all winners via email to notify them of their options for pickup. If the winning bidder is from outside of the Orlando area and the item is unable to be emailed, we will make arrangements to ship at the expense of the winning bidder.

Is there a tuition raffle this year?

We've decided to offer a different type of raffle this year so that we can include our grandparents, alumni and parish family in the opportunity to participate. In lieu of a tuition raffle, we are offering a 50/50 raffle. Tickets are \$25 for one or \$100 for five. Tickets can be purchased through the end of the Silent Auction on Saturday, April 17th and the winner need not be (virtually) present to win. The winner will receive 50% of the total proceeds from the raffle and will be announced at the start of the interactive trivia entertainment portion of the evening. The 50/50 tickets can be purchased under the "Instabuy" section of our [Qtego site here](#) once you are registered.

How does my child participate in the Nerf Battle or Dunk Tank?

We are bringing back the Nerf Battle and introducing a new activity – the Dunk Tank! Both options are available to Panther students in ALL grades to purchase and both activities will take on campus on Thursday, June 3, 2021. The price to participate in the Nerf Battle is \$50 per student. The cost to take a throw at one of our Faculty members in the Dunk Tank is \$25 or 5 for \$100. Both items need to be purchased by April 18th and can be found in the INSTABUY section of the Qtego bidding portal [HERE](#).

What are the causes that we are fundraising for this year?

As you are aware, the funds raised by the gala directly benefit the students and teachers of St. James Cathedral School by providing enhancements to our campus and programs. Your generosity will enable us to proceed with some of the following needed and anticipated projects and initiatives including:

- Changes to the main building foyer to enhance security and safety for our students while preserving the historic statue of Mary and the welcoming ambiance of the space
- Upgrades to the current A/C duct system in certain areas of the school buildings as well as new electrical wiring for particular sections
- Remodeling the current conference room to create a multi-purpose, more efficient space to be utilized by students, faculty and staff, parents, volunteers, and student support service providers
- Support for future Fine Arts programs

What if I have technical issues or need support?

Our volunteer gala committee is standing by to help you! You can email us at gala@stjcs.com, call or text 561.512.0761.