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Dear Friends of Morse Elementary,

Morse Elementary, located in Troy, MI will be hosting our annual Silent Auction on Friday, March 22, 2019. Morse is located in Troy, but we are a special little corner of Troy. Our students come from very diverse backgrounds, both ethnically and economically. Over half of our students speak another language, in addition to English. And about 4 out of every 10 students come from families that qualify for free or reduced price lunch, which means they are living below the poverty line. As any good school would, we try to provide every opportunity to our students. Specifically, we try to provide opportunities that their parents cannot always provide. These opportunities include field trip admission, busing to field trips, books to read at home and additional books to read at school, educational apps, a backpack food program for the weekend, help with holidays, assemblies, classroom magazines, additional classroom materials and anything else we need to support our students. The goal of our auction is to continue to help support these programs and purchases.

The auction will be held at a local establishment. The event will include both a live and silent auction with all monies benefiting the Morse Elementary School PTO and the school itself. We hope that you will consider donating an auction item. Donations are needed for items ranging from business services, attraction passes, tickets to sporting and/or entertainment facilities, restaurants/gift certificates, jewelry, and gift baskets. Of course, monetary donations are always welcome!

As a donor, you will receive publicity for your business prior to and during the event. We will be sending out more than 500 invitations. Also, your business will be promoted in the catalog on display during the auction, advertised in our school newsletter, and on the Morse website and Facebook page.

May we count on your help? Please submit your donation and the attached form no later than March 1, 2019 to ensure proper recognition and promotion. An auction committee member would be happy to pick up your donation item, or if you prefer you may send it or deliver it directly to Morse Elementary.

Your generosity will help us to continue to provide premiere educational opportunities at Morse. We know that you may receive many requests for donations and we are sincerely grateful for your consideration. Please contact us at MorsePTO@gmail.com with questions.

The children and parents of Morse Elementary thank you and we look forward to including your name in our auction catalog!

Sincerely,

Auction Committee Members:

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Mark Schurk
Jen Taylor

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Stephanie Zendler
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Lexie Oleksienko

Silent Auction - March 22, 2019

Donor / Company Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ **E-mail address:** _____

Phone # _____ **Fax#** _____

Address: _____

Donor Signature: _____

Description of Donated Item or Service:

(Details such as color, quantity, restrictions/parameters to gift, etc.)

Market Value of item: _____ **Expiration Date:** _____

Tax ID# 38-2952-901

Thank you! Your support is appreciated

Date Received: _____ **Category:** _____