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Dear Friend of St. Ambrose,

When we think back to the "good old days", we dream of a time when everyone knew each other, and people truly cared about one another. St. Ambrose Catholic School is a unique example of just that; so much so, that our school's theme this year is "you are known; you are loved."

Our faith-based education offers a nurturing and challenging academic environment for children in pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. Our low student:teacher ratio provides excellent resources and support to enable our students to excel in ways unimaginable in larger classrooms. Our extracurricular activities, such as band, strings program, STEM club, chess club, Lego club, safety patrol, and sports help round out our students. In 2010, St. Ambrose was honored to have been recognized as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the US Department of Education.

On April 1st, 2017, the families and friends of St. Ambrose will gather for an evening of dinner, entertainment, and auctions to collect funds for our school. In addition to a silent auction and live auction, we will also be premiering an online auction taking place a few weeks prior to the Gala. This year's Gala theme is "A Knight Around the World" – a celebration of our multicultural neighborhood! We will be featuring international food from all throughout our area. In order to make this event a success, we need your generous support. Please consider participating in any of the following ways:

- Donating an item or service for the auction
- Advertising in our Gala program
- Making a charitable donation – gift cards are a great way to raise funds
- Becoming a Gala Sponsor

For your donation, you will be listed in the event program or name placed on sponsored tables throughout the venue and seen by more than **250 guests** who attend the event. Information regarding each of these options is enclosed. Your tax deductible donation is critical to supporting our school, which relies on these funds for educational resources that cannot be covered by tuition. Your gift goes directly towards our programs, such as upgraded technology, art supplies, enriching field trips for the students, retaining our stellar faculty and staff, and helping students in need of financial aid. Please know that any donation is greatly appreciated. If you have donated to us before, we would like to thank you for your continued support of our school!

For more information, please do not hesitate to call St. Ambrose School directly at 703-698-7171 or email us at gala@stambroseschool.org. We would be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding this event.

We are very grateful for your support!

Sincerely,

Eileen Bliss, Michele Robbins, Heather Terreri
2017 St. Ambrose School Gala Chairs