



Dear Valued Business Partner,

Sorensen is immensely grateful for the partnership the local business community has provided to us over the years. **We need your vital support once again through your contribution to our annual Auction efforts.** We respectfully recognize the challenged environment today's economic climate has created, but we implore you to reach into the heart of our future and give once again at *whatever* level you can support. Each donation counts, big or small! Throughout our history, the money generated by the Sorensen Auction made possible exclusively through the generous donations of businesses like yours, has helped to make this school the success it is today. The following Auction funded programs continue to depend on the revenues generated by your donation to the Sorensen's Auction and Soiree:

- **Artist in Residence:** A series of qualified artist professionals who dedicate a full week with our students in hands on intensives from book writing and poetry to print making and glasswork. These experiences envelope our students in creative learning and tie practical real-world skills through an inspiring medium.
- **Extracurricular Performance Groups:** These treasured programs provide cherished opportunities for our students to learn confidence, public presentation, teamwork and focus to develop concert worthy talent. They include African Drumming, Theater, Improvisation, Master Juggling, Strings, Marimbas and Special Chorus. As well, they remain available to support your business or community event performance needs upon request.
- **Advanced Pottery:** Long known for our pottery programs, we offer the kids continual exposure to a hands on pottery experience utilizing the artistic interest of our students to propel the learning of other foundational areas such as math, material science, engineering and chemistry.
- **Leadership, Demonstration and Performance:** Each and every Sorensen student is an individual encouraged and supported to participate openly in the community of Sorensen Magnet as a whole. The vital skills developed through the requirements of our all-school community programs routinely create an environment where each student exercises their personal skill set as their individual role in our school. There is undoubtedly a direct translation between the confidence and practice of these opportunities and successful life skills for the kids.
- **Organizational Development:** In our respect for tightened State budgets and pressured funds, we utilize our Magnet Auction monies to keep our teachers at the cutting edge of learning theory and staff development. To be a successful teacher you must be a continual student. Auction funds help support the on-going training of our dedicated staff.

How can you help?

- Donation of your product
- Generous giving of gift certificates or other saleable items for the auction cause
- Buying a table at the auction so you and your employees can experience a Soiree of Magnet Magnitude and an unforgettable evening of dinner and dancing.
- Donation of your business/personal services or support through volunteering or in-kind giving
- Financial contributions of any amount to directly support the future of our kids.

We thank you for your consideration of the needs of the Sorensen kids and respectfully ask you to consider a tax deductible donation of any kind to make this Sorensen Auction the best success yet! We continue to respect and value the partnership of your business on behalf of our kids!

Janet Ackerman

Principal and the entire staff of Sorensen Magnet School of the Arts & Humanities