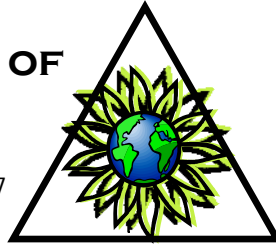


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Dear Business Owner,

We represent two private schools in your business area. The Montessori School of North Hoffman and Lotus Montessori School are established not-for-profit schools that embrace authentic Montessori principles to nurture independence, love of learning, academic excellence and social responsibility.

On February 2, 2008, our schools will host our annual fundraising gala at the Stonegate in Hoffman Estates. While tuition covers the school's normal operating expenses, we rely upon fundraising activities to fund improvements. This year, we are seeking to raise funds for improvements at both campuses and funds to develop a middle school program serving grades 7-9.

The success of this fundraiser depends upon the generous donations of businesses and organizations, both large and small. Donations may be in the form of gift certificates, tickets, tangible items or collectibles, services, discount coupons, or monetary gifts. All contributions are greatly appreciated. Individuals, businesses, and organizations that make donations are recognized in our event program and in our monthly school newsletter that has an audience in excess of 250 local families.

Montessori School of North Hoffman and Lotus Montessori are non-profit organizations registered under section 501(c)3 with the Federal Government and the State of Illinois. The federal tax number is 36-3657439. All donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by applicable law. If you can support us with a donation or gift, we would like to receive them by January 11, 2008 to ensure that you are included in our media publications. Donations can be mailed or we will gladly arrange for a representative to pick up your donation. Please include a business card and detailed information for our publications.

We greatly appreciate your generosity and support.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nicki L. Douros". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nicki Douros  
Auction Chairperson