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We are pleased to announce that our annual Windfall Auction and Gala will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2020. This event can offer *great exposure* to businesses, so we wanted to give you an early opportunity to become involved.

The Windfall Auction and Gala is the biggest fundraising event for The Montessori Academy, bringing together community members and supporters for an evening to celebrate our school, teachers and most importantly our students. Your involvement will enable The Montessori Academy to continue providing enrichment and educational programs inspired by Dr. Maria Montessori. This year's event will be a celebration of our school's 50th anniversary, and we expect about 225 community members and supporters.

There are multiple ways to be involved:

- By joining as one of our auction underwriting sponsors
- By advertising in the Windfall Auction and Gala program
- By donating "Sponsor an Educator" tickets for our educators (\$69)
- By providing an **in-kind** product or service donation as an auction item

Since opening in 1969, The Montessori Academy has been providing quality education for Michiana families. TMA is the only dually accredited toddler thru eighth grade Montessori school in Michiana with an enrollment of over 220 students. Many of the students who graduate from TMA become leaders, entrepreneurs and role models throughout the Michiana and Midwest region. The Montessori Academy is a registered 501(c)(3) and all in-kind donations toward the Windfall Auction & Gala are tax deductible. As required by the IRS, there were no goods or services provided to you in consideration for this gift.

Please make a difference in our community by contributing to the success of the Windfall Auction and Gala. Please contact me via email at hcouch@tma-el.org or 574-256-5313 ext. 214 with any questions or to discuss your involvement

Thank you for your consideration and support,

Hannah Couch Director of Advancement The Montessori Academy