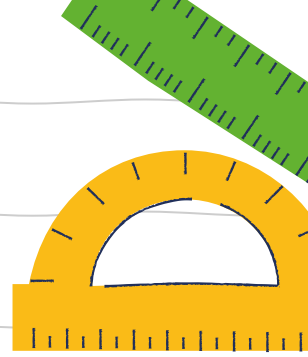


# FALL SYLLABUS



## August:

Back-to-School Happy Hour 8/13

T-Shirt Sales (online) 8/16 - 9/6

## September:

FIREBall Raffle Cup Contest 9/9/24 - 10/9

Friends of FIRE Zoom Meeting 9/11

FIRE T-Shirt Delivery (at schools) 9/25

FIRE Partner School Auction Packages Due 9/27

## October:

Friends of FIRE Meeting 10/2

FIREBall Week 10/7 – 10/11

FIREBall Raffle Cup Last Day 10/9

FIREBall 10/12

## How can you help?

Sell Raffle Tickets

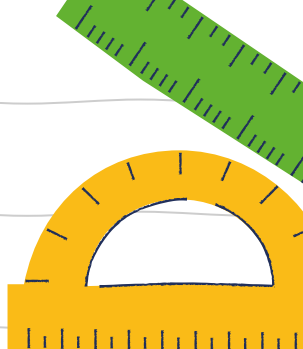
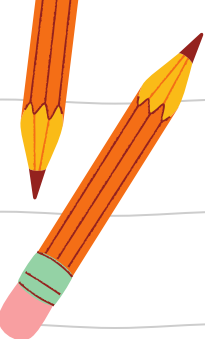
Host a Fundraiser at your school

Be an Underwriter/Sponsor

Donate/Solicit Auction Items

Volunteer at FIREBall





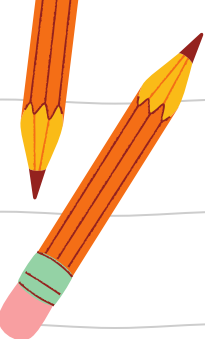
# 2024-2025 Partner School Fall Checklist

- Annual **Parent Acknowledgement Forms**
  - Link: [firefoundation.org/resources/parents/](https://firefoundation.org/resources/parents/)
- Follow FIRE on **Instagram** & **FaceBook**
- Check out the Friends of FIRE Google Folder
  - Link: [firefoundation.org/resources/parents/](https://firefoundation.org/resources/parents/)
- **FIREBall** (October 12, 2024)
  - Raffle Tickets - Sales at School
  - T-shirt Sales
  - Encourage Underwriting Opportunities & Tickets
  - FIRE Week (coordinate with Parent Liaisons)
  - Help with Silent Auction, Live Auction, Volunteer, etc
  - Coordinate School Package Donations for Silent Auction
- Attend **Friends of FIRE Meetings** and encourage other families to attend as well!
  - 9/11 at \_\_\_\_\_
  - 10/2 at \_\_\_\_\_
- Encourage **Parish communication** for FIRE & FIRE Events
  - FIRE Ministry- Commitment
  - Ministry spotlight, mass intentions
  - Parish/School Facebook page
  - Newsletter- events and Raffle sales
  - Parish Website

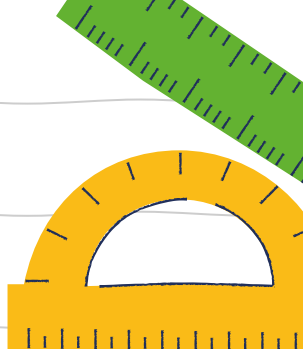


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# 2024-2025 Partner School Q&A



## ***Why does FIRE ask schools to host fundraising activities, and why is it important?***

We ask schools to host fundraising activities because these events are so important to our mission. By organizing fundraisers, you're helping us gather the resources needed to keep our programs going strong. Plus, when partner schools supports events like the FIRE Ball, FIRE Golf Tournament, and Purses with Purpose, you're bringing our community together and spreading the word about inclusive Catholic education. Your involvement makes a huge difference, and our **fundraising events are over 60% of our annual revenue**. Help us help you!

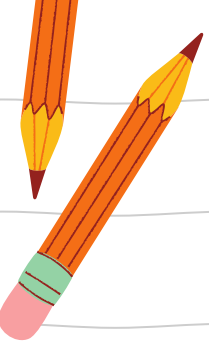
## ***What is the role of the Friends of FIRE (FOF) School Liaison?***

The Friends of FIRE (FOF) School Liaison acts as the “face of FIRE” at the school level, connecting the FIRE Office with the school community. They communicate about meetings, educational opportunities, and fundraising initiatives while working closely with the school principal and Inclusion coordinator. As an ambassador, the FOF School Liaison helps elevate support and strengthen FIRE’s mission.

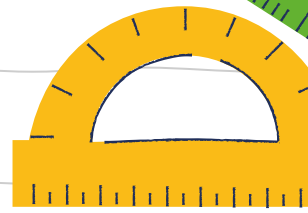


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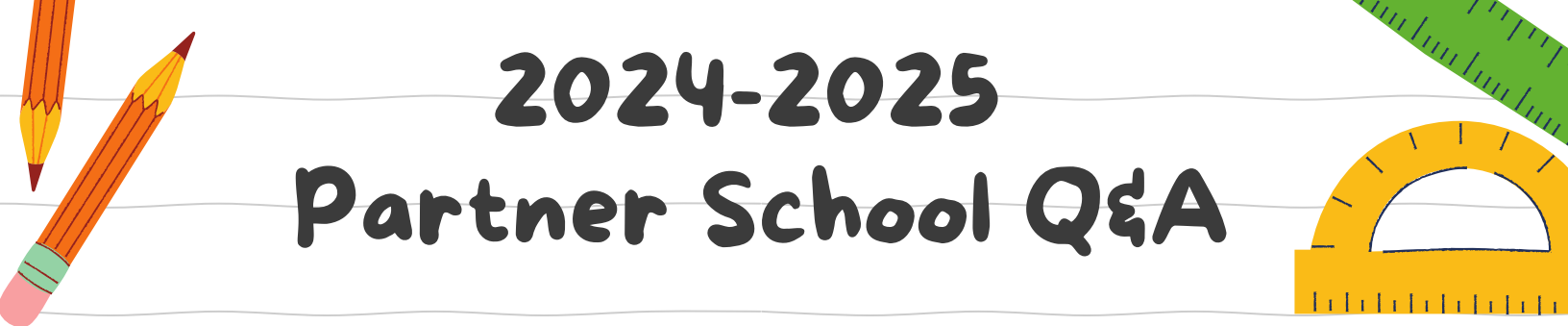


## ***Why does FIRE ask partner schools to distribute marketing pieces, and why is it important?***

We ask schools to distribute marketing pieces because it's a key way to help us build awareness in your communities about FIRE's mission and role that FIRE plays in our partner schools. By sharing materials like the Annual FIRE Friend Raiser at the beginning of the school year, you're helping to spread the word to school families about the impact we're making together. Additionally, when your school shares information about Friends of FIRE meetings, fundraising events, and other activities, it strengthens our connection with the community and invites school families to get engaged. Your support in this way is essential to helping us grow and continue our work!

## ***Why does FIRE ask partner schools to submit a mid-year report, and why is it important?***

We ask our partner schools to submit a mid-year report because it helps us keep track of how grant funds are being used and if there are any changes from your original grant proposal. When you submit your mid-year report in December 2024, you're helping us stay transparent and ensuring that we are good stewards of our donor's dollars. Plus, it helps us plan for the future so we can continue working together to achieve our mission. Your cooperation makes a big difference, and we truly appreciate it!



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## **Where can our partner schools' faculty, staff, and parents find the resources provided by FIRE, and how can they access them?**

We've made it easy for your school's faculty, staff, and parents to access all the resources they need! Everything is available on FIRE's Google Drive, where you'll find the Friends of FIRE Resources, Zoom recordings of educational presentations from Friends of FIRE meetings, and information about FIRE events like FIREBall. To access these resources, simply visit this link: [\*\*Friends of FIRE Resources\*\*](#). You can also visit our website at [\*\*www.firefoundation.org\*\*](http://www.firefoundation.org) for additional information and resources. We encourage you to explore both the Drive and the website to take full advantage of all the helpful materials we've provided to support your school and community!

## **Why does FIRE require that each partner school have parents of children benefiting from FIRE grant money sign a Parent Acknowledgement Form each school year?**

We ask each partner school to have parents sign a Parent Acknowledgement Form because it helps us ensure that families are actively engaged in FIRE's mission. By signing this form, parents show their commitment to supporting the programs and services their children benefit from. It also helps school leadership communicate expectations, like participating in Friends of FIRE meetings, sharing potential donor contacts, and supporting or attending at least three of our annual fundraising events. This partnership with parents is crucial for the continued success of our mission, and their involvement makes a big difference in the lives of all the children we serve. We appreciate your help in making sure these forms are signed and submitted each year!