

St. Francis School *Gala*

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Dear Friends and Fellow Supporters,

This year St. Francis School is celebrating 75 years of educational excellence inspired by the Catholic faith! Through the untiring efforts of Father Georges Mathieu, the cornerstone of the school was laid on June 20, 1948. On January 31, 1949, Sister Ellen Stevens opened the school with 114 students enrolled. Since then, over 1,500 alumni have gone out into the world to share their gifts, guided by the values of their faith that were instilled in them at St. Francis School.

We invite you to join us on April 22, 2023 to celebrate St. Francis School's 75th anniversary during our "School of Rock" Gala. "We shall teach rock to the world"...with dueling pianos, featuring Piano Men Trey Grimm and Dan Satterburg. The School of Rock will be in session beginning at 5 pm in the St. Francis Parish Hall for an evening of live music, dining, raffles and games, silent and live auctions, and a moving pledge. We encourage you to abide by the school dress code of distressed denim, leather jackets, and rock t-shirts. Tickets are available online at stfrancisellsworth.org/gala and in the St. Francis School Office. Can't make the event? You can still participate in the auctions online and watch the event program live on the school's Facebook page @stfrancisellsworth.

Proceeds raised at the Gala will be used to sustain the viability of St. Francis School. The cost to educate each student is \$11,000 and the average family pays \$3,000 in tuition per child. The difference is funded through generous donations from St. Francis Parish and supporters like YOU! This year our goal is to raise \$100,000 for essential school updates, including continued upgrades to the HVAC in the original school building (\$35,000), replacing the desks and furniture in all classrooms (\$35,000), purchasing new religion, handwriting, science and math textbooks for grades K-5 (\$16,000), and establishing a fund to cover marketing costs (\$10,000).

We ask for your prayerful consideration in supporting our school through a sponsorship or donation. To extend our appreciation, we are offering various advertising opportunities. Enclosed please find our Gala Giving Form, which outlines giving opportunities and incentives. Please return this form to St. Francis School by March 3. You may also submit your sponsorship or donation online at stfrancisellsworth.org/gala.

On behalf of the children, staff, and parents of St. Francis School, thank you for your support!

God Bless,

St. Francis School Gala Committee
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Your charitable gift can be a tax deduction. You will receive a receipt. Tax ID Number: 39-0813434



2023 GALA GIVING FORM

Please fill out this form and return by
March 3 or donate online at
stfrancisellsworth.org/gala.
Checks can be made to St. Francis School.

Name

Business

Address

City, State

Phone

Email Address

Supporter Level

Please mail to:
St Francis School Gala
244 W. Woodworth St. P.O. Box 250
Ellsworth, WI 54011

Thank you for your support!

THE BEATLES

\$5,000 Contribution

10 complimentary tickets at VIP table, complimentary wine, thank you during event program, recognition in school newsletter and parish bulletin, full page ad in event program, The Journal newspaper advertising, logo on gala website, advertising in slideshow at event, spotlight on social media, and branded table centerpiece

THE ROLLING STONES

\$2,500 Contribution

6 complimentary tickets at VIP table, complimentary wine, thank you during event program, 1/2 page ad in event program, The Journal newspaper advertising, logo on gala website, advertising in slideshow at event, spotlight on social media, and branded table centerpiece

QUEEN

\$1,000 Contribution

2 complimentary tickets at VIP table, complimentary wine, thank you during event program, 1/4 page ad in event program, The Journal newspaper advertising, logo on gala website, advertising in slideshow at event, spotlight on social media, and branded table centerpiece

AC/DC

\$500 Contribution

The Journal newspaper advertising, recognition in event program, advertising in slideshow at event, spotlight on social media, and branded table centerpiece

Any Contribution

Donations of any size are greatly appreciated and will be recognized in the event program.

Donation of Goods or Services

Your donation will be recognized in the event program. The item will be utilized for the auction, raffles or games. Please bring new, unused items to St. Francis School by April 3.

For a wish list of items, please visit stfrancisellsworth.org/gala.

Value of Donation:

Item Name/Description: