

It's Anser's Spring Celebration time!

Because it's been too long since we last met for this exciting annual fundraising and community building event, we wanted to give you all the specifics. We are excited about this new event format that will serve as a preview for next year and all the years to come. See you all on April 30th!

What's new about the event?

This is an opportunity for us to develop "parent crew" and it has historically been a celebratory adult only event. To accommodate different schedules, we are hosting two separate events throughout the day that will be exactly the same.

For our new families, we want to let you know that while this event is child free there will be many opportunities to be with your kids on campus in the coming school year. This in-person event is a signal that times are changing and we are all looking forward to being in person and making those connections moving forward.

Construction tours! There will be a sign up once you enter the school for construction tours. This will be a very exciting opportunity for a sneak peek of the beautiful new spaces being built for your children!

Food and Beverages: Your \$10 ticket includes a non-alcoholic drink, sodas or bubbly waters, and a treat. Happy Camper, a Dutch-oven themed food truck, will be onsite for both events and have a great selection including tacos, BBQ, loaded potatoes and more. Do not let the ticket cost deter you from attending, please reach out if it's an issue. We would love to see everyone there!

The Venue: Anser Charter School. The event will take place inside and outside. Because construction is ongoing and we all well aware of our limited parking availability please consider carpooling, biking or walking. Please be considerate of our neighbors when parking on the street.

After hours: Keep the party going after the event and head to a fun spot near the school! You can make plans with other Anser parents ahead of time or make a connection the night of the event but *Sturman's Wine and Cigars* across the alley has agreed to reserve tables for us after both of the events, at 3pm and 7pm. If you're interested, please RSVP to Amanda Neill aneill@ansercharterschool.org so we can give them a general head count for the reserved Anser tables!

Attire: Come as you are! Wear jeans and a fleece or whatever is your favorite casual attire. It might rain, it might be hot - welcome to spring time in Idaho! WE HAVE GRIT, so check the weather and plan accordingly.



Check In/Check Out! Event tickets are available online at Anser's Auction website. When you buy your ticket you will have an option to save your credit card, if you choose, saving your credit card will make both the check in and checkout process very easy! When you arrive at the auction, all you have to do is find your name tag and head on in! No check in required for those who have saved their credit card on the auction website. And at the end of the event - same thing, we've got your card on file so you can bid on auction items, sign up for community experiences and celebrate with friends. All purchases will be processed on your saved credit card Monday May 2nd.

Community Experiences: This is a fun tradition for the Anser Celebration/Auction where Anser community members offer unique experiences for you to participate in, along with current and new Anser friends! We have some fun community building experiences that will take place throughout the next year. So many fun opportunities including but not limited to fly fishing adventures, rocking out with Boise Rock School, experiencing good food through a cooking class or a lovely meal made just for Anser families, a few great yoga classes one with goats and so much more!

Classroom Art Projects: Classroom Art Projects will be on display during the event but will be available for bidding via the online auction. The kids and Anne have been working so hard on these and we are always thrilled to see the final creations.

Speaking of classroom creations... the Junior High gardening elective will be planting all the centerpieces for the event! Theses centerpieces will be available to purchase during both events.

Fill-A-Need - Each year the Anser community comes together to raise funds for a specific school need. This year we will be raising funds for Anser's new transportation program! All funds raised at this event will be used to help with start- up costs for the program and for the expense of using the buses for Fieldwork and Adventure! Your Fill-a-Need contribution will support getting students out into the community providing opportunities to visit the MK Nature Center, continued trips to Starbase out at Gowen field, work with local artists and non-profits, taking adventure trips, and getting out to explore our community more! We hope you will consider a donation to help us meet our \$15,000 goal. At each event we will have our Txt2Give platform up and running to collect donations towards the transportation program. We will also have a direct giving donation set up on our fundraising website and online auction.

Teacher Time - This time honored Anser tradition is back and better than ever. Teachers will be offering up unique experiences for the students to "win." We will be selling raffle tickets for Teacher Time and see who the lucky winner(s) are – buy your \$10 raffle ticket at the Anser Auction website as a "Buy Now" option. Drawing of the lucky winners will be Wednesday May 5th after school.



Online Auction: BIDDING WILL BEGIN ON April 25th and run through May 1st. We will have a selection of our online auction items onsite for your perusal at the event! There are lots of fun things to be bid on! We have fun overnight options available that are within a couple hours of Boise, lots of great gift certificates, tickets to all the local favorite theater companies and other attractions, and an Anser parent has made his recently written book available for purchase supporting the school and so much more! There will be some items available to sign up for onsite during the event but most items will be available online bidding only.

There are many different ways for you to participate in this year's Spring Celebration and help us raise needed funds for the school! Thank you to our incredible team of auction volunteers working hard to make this year's event a success and, it's not too late to sign up to help if you're interested.

Find the link to the Anser Celebration site on the homepage of Anser's website.

Check it out https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0C4EAFAD2BA1FB6-celebration

Reminder: We hold an auction each year to fill the gap of the 35% less funding Anser receives than a traditional public school. You chose Anser. Choose Anser again by attending the Spring Celebration!