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Dear Friend of TIS,

Please consider making a donation to The International School's annual auction. Your generosity will enhance our community. The students at The International School are immersed in one of three languages: Chinese, Japanese, or Spanish. All teachers are native speakers and class sizes are consciously small. Along with developing bilingual fluency by 5th grade, students increase their cultural awareness and build confidence within this increasingly diverse world. The knowledge that the students gain through this unique educational experience will enable them to become better citizens of the world.

Like most non-profit organizations, our school relies on the support of businesses and individuals. You can help by donating one or more items, or a gift certificate for goods or services, which will be auctioned off on November 8, 2008. This year's auction will be held at Montgomery Park in Northwest Portland. There will be food, drink, entertainment, and with your help, some wonderful auction items to bid on.

All donors will be recognized in our auction catalog, which will be distributed to over 300 guests attending the event. In addition to the catalog, your name and/or business will be advertised in our weekly school newsletter, "In The Know." With your donation you will also receive a copy of our tax identification number to log your valuable tax donation.

The annual auction is our largest fundraising event and benefits the school in many ways. Of particular importance, the auction allows us to provide substantial financial aid to over 25% of our student body. This helps us maintain a diverse and multi-faceted environment. It is your generosity that makes the auction successful enough to fund these costs as well as other operating expenses. Your donation can help expand the learning possibilities for every student attending The International School.

Enclosed you will find a donation form to either fax to 503-257-7489 or mail directly to The International School. If you would like us to pick up your donated item, or you have any questions, please email us at auction@intlschool.org.

Thank you for your generosity,

Kate Schweitzer & Mark Jones