



Franklin's 16th Annual Winterfest

All Around the World



Dear Franklin Families,

It's the middle of winter, and we all need some activities to get the kids out of the house and for us to socialize with one another. **Join us at this year's 16th annual Winterfest → February 11th from 2pm – 5pm.** We are putting a different spin on things to highlight the many different and unique cultures present at Franklin. This year, we will take you **All Around the World.**

Winterfest baskets have been a cherished tradition, and through popular demand, we look forward to keeping them again this year! However, due to the great success of our Franklin Kindness Walk, we are not "assigning" classroom baskets. In addition, Winterfest admission will be **FREE** (ticket reservations required for entry; adults must accompany children).

This year, we are asking Franklin families to optionally donate items that reflect your cultural or ethnic background, sending items to school with your children to give to their classroom teacher. The Winterfest committee will then collect and assemble these items into a variety of baskets representing countries from **All Around the World.** Feel free to get creative! We welcome any new items in original packaging, including commercially produced food items.

DONATIONS MUST BE RETURNED WITH THE COMPLETED "DONATION DETAIL" SHEET
****SEE BACK FOR DETAILS ****

Other donation items appreciated:

- Restaurant Gift Cards
- Gift Certificates to Local Establishments
- Tickets to Sporting Events
- Donations from family-owned businesses
- Baskets from direct sales businesses
- Other items you'd generously like to offer!

All money raised by PTA gets re-invested directly into the school (visit <http://www.franklinpta.com/where-your--goes.html>). This year, Franklin is pursuing a re-vamp to our Library to become a 21st century learning space. The Board of Education will vote on contractor bids for building construction in the upcoming months, Franklin staff has submitted an ELF grant, and PTA hopes to vote on our contribution towards this unique and invaluable learning space that will enhance our students' education year after year!

Collection for Winterfest donations will begin immediately, and **must be submitted no later than January 31st!** Baskets will be auctioned off at the Winterfest event on Saturday, February 11th.

Sincerely,

The Winterfest Committee

Questions? Concerns? Please feel free to reach out:

Winterfest Event Co-Chairs: Christina Heotis christinaheotis@sbcglobal.net & Susan Olsen solsen17@hotmail.com
Winterfest Basket Co-Chairs: Lena Milissis lena_memmos@yahoo.com



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Basket Donation Detail

Franklin PTA is a 501(c)3 organization, which means all donations are tax deductible! Please contact us at info@franklinpta.com for our tax ID information as necessary.

INTERNATIONAL BASKET DONATIONS:

If you are donating an item that represents a particular country or culture, please complete and submit this form back with your item. This will help the basket committee group donations from similar backgrounds in a more efficient way:

DONATION ITEM(S) DESCRIPTION: _____

COUNTRY REPRESENTED: _____

Estimated Item Value*: _____

**This will help the basket committee properly price out the total basket value; Thank you!*

PERSONAL OR BUSINESS DONATIONS*:

If you are donating a general item either personally or through a family-owned business/connection, thank you! These will be included in our Silent Auction Fundraiser, available to bid at Winterfest.

DONATION ITEM(S) DESCRIPTION: _____

FAMILY or BUSINESS* (including contact name): _____

**Businesses donating items in excess of \$100 will receive special recognition as a Business Sponsor in PTA media outlets!*

DESSERT TABLE DONATIONS:

This year, we are featuring an International Dessert Spread at Winterfest! If you would like to contribute a packaged, store-bought, peanut free item towards our dessert table, please contact either Christina Heotis

christinaheotis@sbcglobal.net OR Susan Olsen solsen17@hotmail.com.