



Auction Rules & Procedures

BIDDING

- All bids will be made through the **GiveSmart** mobile bidding platform tool.
- To Register: Text **aef** to **76278** and follow the instructions.
- Click on the link in the “Welcome” text to go to your auction home page.
- Click on an item to view more details and to place a bid.
- Single Bids can be placed for any amount within the item’s bid parameters. If outbid, the system will notify bidders by text with instructions on how to place a new bid.
- Auto Bids can be placed and set at the maximum amount the bidder is willing to spend for an item. With Auto Bid, the system will bid the minimum amount needed to lead. If outbid, the system will increase the bid automatically until the maximum is reached.
- **Auction bidding will close at 8:30 PM** on Saturday, March 4, 2023.

PAYMENT & PICK-UP

- Payment in full is due by 10:00 PM on Saturday, March 4, 2023 through self-checkout on **GiveSmart** or at the checkout table. Forms of payment accepted are Credit Card, Personal Check or Cash.
- Successful in-person bidders are responsible for the removal of items from the premises no later than 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 4, 2023. When claiming items, please have a PAID receipt on your phone ready to show event volunteers.
- Successful remote bidders must make pick-up arrangements by contacting Chris Nigh @ 314-497-3435 or chris.nigh@afftoneducationfoundation.org. Pick-up will be scheduled for an agreed-upon time at Affton High School, and must be completed by Wednesday, March 8, 2023.

PLEASE NOTE

- **DELIVERY** of items is **NOT OFFERED OR AVAILABLE**
- All sales are final. No refunds or exchanges are permitted. Items are sold “as is,” and AEF is not responsible for replacing lost or damaged items.
- Certain items have restricted use, expiration dates or qualifications that may affect the value to the bidder. Bidders are bound by the restrictions specified by the donor. Original gift certificates must be presented upon redemption.

TAX INFORMATION

- Your charitable deduction for an auction item is limited to the amount, if any, by which your payment exceeds the fair market value of that item.
- Paid receipts for tax purposes are issued through your account, and AEF will mail donation acknowledgement letters.
- It is advisable to consult your own tax advisor regarding the tax deductibility of an individual item.