



# Santa Rosa Education Cooperative



Dear Local Business,

On March 10, Santa Rosa Education Cooperative will hold its annual fundraising auction. We are a local public charter school, and we ask for you to support with a donation of merchandise or a gift certificate to auction at our event.

### **About our school**

The Santa Rosa Charter School is a public elementary and middle school located on the site of Comstock Middle School in northwest Santa Rosa. Our school was established in 1995, but grew out of the Santa Rosa Cooperative Preschool, which has been operating in Santa Rosa since the 1950's. Parents who attended the preschool programs formed the charter school in order to have a place where their children would continue to learn social skills through the Positive Discipline approach, with the help of parent volunteers in the classroom in the cooperative style. The Charter School and preschool combine with the Early Childhood Center to form the Santa Rosa Education Cooperative.

### **What will your support mean to us?**

Our school continues to provide children with a high-quality academic education, along with learning in the arts, Spanish language, and physical education, and with a strong community- and social-skill-building program, despite continual cuts to education from the state. Your contribution will help us continue to fund our programs, available to all types of families and children, including:

- A school garden program with individual family plots and weekly gardening classes for most age groups
- An integrated art and music program
- Bi-weekly Spanish classes
- Physical Education and enough time for outdoor play during recess supervised by adults trained in conflict resolution techniques
- On-site afterschool care
- Monthly field trips

Your donation is tax-deductable through our Parents' Club, a California 501c3 non-profit organization. Our school sincerely appreciates your consideration of support.

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