



PARENTS FOR PENNINGTON PRESENTS:

# THE RED AND BLACK BASH *The Secret Garden*

Dear Pennington School Parent,

Exciting plans are unfolding for the Red and Black Bash, Parents for Pennington's annual fundraising gala, and we want you to be a part of it! This year's Red and Black Bash will be held on **Saturday, March 28, 2020**, at the dining hall on campus. In keeping with the theme of this year's event, "The Secret Garden," we will be fundraising in support of the School's plans to recondition the pond on campus, as well as the Student Assistance Fund. With enough participation from parents and community partners, our contribution could include sponsoring a portion of the ecological maintenance of the pond and/or the construction of a small bridge to make portions of campus on the far side of the pond more accessible. We hope Parents for Pennington can count on your enthusiastic support for this event.

As you know, the goal of Parents for Pennington is to raise funds that support activities and programs at the School that enhance school spirit and foster strong ties among our students, parents, faculty, and staff. To assist in this effort, we welcome donations from parents and friends of the School. In addition to monetary contributions, we are seeking a variety of items for our live and silent auctions at the Red and Black Bash. Some of our best auction items in past years have been donations from within the community, and we encourage you to be creative in selecting an item or experience to add to the auction lineup. You might enjoy collaborating with friends and submitting an item or basket as a group. Suggested items include, but are by no means limited to:

## Experiences

- Horseback riding
- Beer tasting
- Concert or theater tickets
- Tours of interesting locations near and far, perhaps with a short stay at a vacation home
- Hosting a "shadowing" experience at work for students interested in your industry

## Services

- Car detailing
- Voice lessons
- Limo to school for Promenade
- Dinner prepared by a private chef
- Private yoga sessions



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## Gift baskets

- Gardening basket with plants, seeds, tools, bird feeder, etc.
- A selection of craft beers, wine, or bourbon
- A weekend in New York, Philadelphia, or Boston, including hotel stay and tickets to see local points of interest
- “Taste of Town” baskets for local areas such as Pennington, Princeton, Lambertville, Bucks County, etc.

The Red and Black Bash auction committees will organize the donations into categories for the auction. Please keep in mind that contributions intended for the live auction should be distinctive items and experiences with a value in excess of \$1,000. We hope you will “think outside the box” when selecting a donation item; what is something unique that you have or do, which you could share with the Pennington School community? Your donation will assist in financing various student services, as well as contribute to our ongoing efforts to improve gathering places on campus.

We hope you will consider participating in the Red and Black Bash as a donor, volunteer, attendee, or any combination of the above. Every donation is valuable to us and offers a tax deduction for you, as determined by law. **Please fill out the form on the next page with details about your donation and return it along with your donation item(s) by March 6, 2020, to Parents for Pennington: Red and Black Bash Auction c/o The Pennington School, 112 West Delaware Avenue, Pennington, NJ 08534-1601.** We greatly appreciate your sponsorship, and we hope to see you at the Bash!

With gratitude,

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Charitable Tax ID #21-0635004. All donations benefit The Pennington School. In compliance with IRS regulations, gifts to this event are tax-deductible to the extent that the payment exceeds the fair market value of the cost of the item donated.



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