Red and Black Bash News!

New date: Saturday, April 25 at 6:00 p.m. Now on Zoom and **FREE** event for all Live auction will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Dear Pennington School Community,

The Red and Black Bash has always been more than just an auction. It is a celebration of Pennington School families and the community we cherish. This year, as COVID-19 and statewide stay-at-home orders interfere with our normal lives, connecting with our Pennington School community is more important than ever. To break up the monotony of self-isolation and keep our focus on the brighter future ahead, Parents for Pennington has decided to move forward with Red and Black Bash 2020 in a modified, virtual format that will be free and open to all Pennington School parents, faculty, and staff members. If you have already purchased tickets to the Bash, we will be reaching out to you shortly.

Let's all come together via Zoom on Saturday, April 25, beginning at 6:00 p.m. for an evening of fun and friendship. Class parents and Red and Black Bash committee members will soon reach out to invite you to virtual Bash gatherings. Our highly anticipated live auction will proceed as planned via livestream at 7:00 p.m. The silent auction will open on Monday, April 20, and close at 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 25. Bids will be processed electronically, so you will need to register on our auction website if you have not already done so. As always, our combined live and silent auctions will offer a broad selection of items. From restaurant gift cards and gourmet food baskets to post-quarantine getaways and once-in-a-lifetime experiences, we have something for every budget. You never know what will catch your eye! Once the live auction ends around 8:30 p.m., feel free to resume your virtual parties with friends and share the news of your auction winnings.

During this challenging time, Parents for Pennington remains mindful of our mission to foster community and School spirit, enhance the educational process through a variety of activities and events, and support the growth of Pennington facilities and programs. Accordingly, we have shifted our fundraising focus from the long-term project of improving the on-campus pond to funding more immediate needs of our School community. While a small portion of the proceeds from this year's Red and Black Bash auction will sponsor pond restoration as previously planned, the majority will be redirected to support the Student Assistance Fund and other Parents for Pennington programs that benefit our community as a whole.

We hope everyone is, and continues to be, safe and well at home. Can't wait to see your smiling faces on April 25. As always, thank you for your support!

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