

Wardlaw+Hartridge Spring Gala

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Gala?

The Gala is an exciting evening of dinner, dancing, and auctions to benefit the Wardlaw+Hartridge School. The ticket price includes all cocktails, dinner, and dancing. In addition to raising funds to enhance the Wardlaw+Hartridge experience for all students, the evening is a wonderful opportunity to spend time with and enjoy the company of other Wardlaw-Hartridge parents and faculty. Have fun meeting new people or catch-up with old friends! Tickets are \$175.00 per person / \$300.00 a pair and faculty and staff are invited for free!

When? Where? What time?

The Gala is Saturday April 29, 2023 from 6:00pm-10:00pm at the Metuchen Country Club.

Who attends the Gala?

Invitations will be mailed to all parents, alumni, staff, and friends of The Wardlaw+Hartridge School. You are also welcome to invite your family and friends and potential W+H families who you think might enjoy the event.

What do I wear?

Dress varies - most people wear outfits appropriate for a nice dinner out or cocktail party. Since we are a proudly international community some people chose to wear traditional semi formal wear from their native countries. Some also dress in "theme" – this year's theme is Hollywood Red Carpet.

What happens at the Gala?

The evening is filled with dining, dancing and mingling.

Tell me about the fundraising!

The evening is dedicated to raising money to support the Wardlaw+Hartridge School. There are a variety of opportunities to fit most budgets including a Tricky Tray, a Wine Pull, Gift Card Pull, and a Silent Auction.

How do the auctions work?

The auctions generate funds by taking bids for auction items and selling each item to the donor who places the highest bid.

*During the **Silent Auction** people anonymously bid to purchase donated items displayed in the cocktail reception area. The opening bid for each item is generally about 50% of the retail value of the item and goes up from there. You may bid on as many items as you like as many times as you like. Bidding continues through the evening and winners are announced at a pre-determined time.*

Is it worth it to spend the money to attend the Gala?

YES! Not only will you have a great time and get to know the W+H families and faculty better, you will also be contributing to the enhancement of your child's education and experience at W+H. It's well worth it!