CHILDREN'S DAY SCHOOL

Volunteer to host a "Count-Me-In" to build community AND raise funds for sliding-scale tuition!

Count-Me-In (CMI) FAQs

What is a Count-Me-In?

A Count-Me-In (CMI) is an event/party/experience hosted and paid for by a CDS family/families. The hosts come up with an event, determine if it's kids-only, adults-only, or family-friendly. *A CMI is not necessarily tied to a specific grade and is open to the entire CDS community.* You will also indicate how many people can 'buy in' to the event. CMIs have a set price and set number of 'spots', so they can sell out!

Our hope is that these events **promote community building among classes and grades** AND raise funds for sliding scale tuition. CMIs can be as creative as you want. Here are some simple ideas:

For adults:

- Karaoke Night
- Secret Party
- Poker Night
- Dinner/Cocktail Party
- Wine/Beer/Spirits Tasting
- Knit and Sip
- Gallery Tour
- Sporting Events
- Concert
- Trivia Night

For kids:

- Cookie Making
- Crafting Party
- Tea Party
- Board Game Party
- Lego Building/Minecraft
- Hike
- Museum
- Roller Skating

For Families:

- Apple/Berry Picking
- Hikes & Picnics
- Yoga
- Beach bonfire
- Pizza and Lawn Games
- Bowling
- Beat Your Parents Game Night

When do CMIs happen? How do I know the date will work?

Hosts are welcome to schedule their CMI from April 2025 through the summer. CDS has a busy school calendar, so we ask that hosts check with the Bid & Bash committee to make sure dates do not conflict with other events.

What if we want to plan a grade or age-specific experience? Is that OK?

Yes, just specify in your description! It's also great to combine classes/grades too! For example, you could host a lower school yoga party that is specifically targeted at lower school grades. In the past, every grade was encouraged to host an experience, but this year we're opening it up to make it more inclusive. Feel free to plan an event that feels great for you!

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How much does it cost to attend a CMI?
Hosts set the price of their event depending on the activity. The Advancement team is happy to help determine an appropriate price. We look to have events at all price points from $20 to $200+.

When is the deadline to submit?
Please submit your CMI idea by March 21st to be included in the silent auction and to generate buzz!

To donate a Count-Me-In please fill out this form.
To donate an item for our auction or raffle, please fill out this form.

Or contact advancement@cds-sf.org to discuss your ideas!