

# HopeHall SCHOOL

## ANNUAL WALK FOR HOPE FUNDRAISER Thursday, May 26, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians:

One of the signature fundraising events for Hope Hall is our **Walk for Hope**. Last year, we were able to do a modified version of our traditional Walk for Hope. If your child is new to our school this year, then you have never experienced our Walk. If your child was with us last year, s/he will have very fond memories of the walk, the picnic, the games outside, and the prize celebration.

This year, whether your child is new to Hope Hall, or a “veteran,” our Walk will be a fun celebration, **but the need to have the Walk and raise money for our school is greater than ever.**

Money from the **Walk for Hope** is used to support your student(s) education. As you know, the actual cost to educate each student at Hope Hall is \$22,000 per year. The most tuition any family pays out-of-pocket is \$5,700. That means for each student at Hope Hall, we have to raise at least \$16,300, and if your child receives financial aid, we need to raise even more.

Hope Hall made a commitment 28 years ago to be a school for every child who needs us, not for every child whose family could afford us. **That commitment is why we do everything we can to raise \$16,300 for each child every year. That’s over 2.1 million dollars this year alone, not counting financial aid.**

We need your help in doing this! Our **Walk for Hope** will take place on **Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**. Every student, teacher, Administrator, and Board member is asked to raise at least \$100 in sponsorships. The Walk is one mile around our neighborhood. Details of how the Walk will take place will come at a later time.

This **Walk for Hope** is critical for us to meet our operating budget and we need **all** of your help. It is essential to helping us keep the tuition at current levels and be able to offer financial aid. **We cannot accomplish our goal without you!**

### Ways you can fundraise:

- Each student can get twenty people to sponsor him/her for \$5 or ten people to sponsor him/her for \$10 or any combination like that. They can ask Grandparents, relatives, or friends to sponsor them. Parents can ask co-workers or members of your church to sponsor your child.
- Several families have already been bringing bags of returnable cans and bottles to school. Sr. Diana has been taking them to the return center, and has placed the money in envelopes with each student’s name, and this money “counts” toward **Walk for Hope**. If you’d like to do the same, it’s not too late.

### Tips:

- We are sending this home early so students can ask for sponsorships from people they see during Spring Break, so don’t delay in getting started.
- Please do not wait until the last day to turn in your child’s money. Prizes and dress down tickets will be handed out to students who have money in, even if it’s not the full \$100, beginning on April 25<sup>th</sup>. The goal is for your child to raise \$100, but any portion of that goal should be turned in to school as you get it.

Each and every one of us can “roll up our sleeves” and take some time over the next few weeks to start on our Walk efforts! Our school needs all of us, and **together, we can reach our goal of \$30,000.**

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Attached is your child's **Walk for Hope Sponsor Kit**, which includes:

- **Sponsor sheet** – use at home to keep track of sponsors and \$ amounts. **Please have all checks made payable to "Hope Hall"**. Extra sponsor sheets will be available in the Main Office if needed.
- **Online Fundraising Instructions** – Back again this year, families will be able to create a fundraising page to share via, text, email or social media and collect donations for their student online.
- **Fundraising ideas to help reach your \$100 goal.**
- **Envelopes**- Each student will receive four envelopes with their name and homeroom on it. Place money and checks in the envelope and have your student turn it in to their homeroom teacher at least once a week. Extra envelopes are available in the main office if needed.
- **T-Shirt form** – please include your child's t-shirt size for our Walk for Hope t-shirt order. Event t-shirts must be worn on the day of the event. **Please complete form and return it to the Main Office by Friday, April 29**
- For more information and tools, including flyers and sponsorship forms, visit: <https://hopehall.org/walk-for-hope/>

**AGAIN, WE KINDLY ASK THAT MONEY IS COLLECTED FROM SPONSORS AND TURNED INTO THEIR ASSIGNED HOMEROOM TEACHER WEEKLY AS IT IS COLLECTED. THE SPONSOR SHEETS DO NOT NEED TO BE TURNED IN WITH THE MONEY. THEY ARE FOR YOU TO KEEP TRACK OF YOUR SPONSOR.**

**Donation Deadline: All donations should be turned in no later than Wednesday, May 25th by 3:30PM.** Students must turn in all money before the Walk to be eligible for prizes. Please contact Megan Pickering in the Advancement Office with any questions: (585) 426-5824 Ext.108 or [Megan.Pickering@hopehall.org](mailto:Megan.Pickering@hopehall.org).

Thank you for your continuous support of our school,

Sr. Diana Dolce, SSJ.  
Executive Director

