



MERRILLVILLE EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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Dear Friends of Merrillville Community Schools,

The Merrillville Education Foundation is proud to announce that we are celebrating our 10th anniversary! We will be celebrating in style on Friday, May 11, 2012, 7 PM-11:00 PM at the Radisson at Star Plaza in Merrillville with our annual spring Gala, "Escape to Pirate's Cove". The evening is filled with gourmet food stations, exceptional beer and wine tasting, basket raffle and friendly fellowship in a relaxing atmosphere of fun and music. We want our 10th year celebration of education to be the most memorable yet and we are asking for your support. If your schedule doesn't permit you to attend the Gala, perhaps you would consider a contribution to our basket raffle or a \$100 table sponsorship.

Why should you consider contributing to or sponsoring this wonderful event? The mission of the Merrillville Education Foundation is to be the primary private sector partner in supporting public education in Merrillville. The grants provided by the Merrillville Education Foundation offer resources that are not available through public education funding.

In 10 short years, we have funded over 175 grants totaling over \$160,000. These grants have impacted over 39,550 students in the Merrillville schools from kindergarten through high school. The grants, selected by the Foundation Board of Directors, were chosen based on their innovative approach and their educational contribution.

Our business and community leaders as well as friends are an important resource to our schools. Our Foundation needs your financial support to continue this successful initiative. Your consideration in financially supporting our ten year celebration is greatly appreciated. Please consider one of the following options. However, any contribution will make a tremendous difference in the lives of the Merrillville school children.

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Thank you for joining many others in going the extra mile for the community. Please visit our website at www.MerrillvilleEducationFoundation.org. The Merrillville Education Foundation is a not for profit 501(C3) corporation. Our tax identification number is 35-2170844. All contributions/sponsorships can be sent to the following post office box address prior to April 2, 2012 or we can arrange to pick up contributions from your business at your convenience. Any questions, contact Lori Govert - Gala Chairperson 219-650-5303 ext. 6322 or lgovert@mvsc.k12.in.us .

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Attn: Lori Govert, Gala Chairperson

Thank you,

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MEF Vice President

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