



February 26, 2020

Dear SAGES' Supporter,

This letter is being sent to both inform and **invite you** to a fundraising event to benefit the School for Agricultural & Environmental Studies (SAGES) in Fox Lake. SAGES Foundation is proud to be hosting our 7th annual **"Friends of SAGES Banquet Fundraiser"** on Monday, **April 20th**, 2020. Our banquet meal will feature the catering services of LeRoy Meats & Catering. Specifics can be found on the enclosed banquet registration form.

In addition to a catered meal, our event includes a live and silent auction. We hope your organization or business will consider donating an item to one or both of the auctions. In the next few months, one of our auction volunteers will follow-up with you regarding possible auction donations. If you're unable to provide an auction item, monetary donations are always welcome and appreciated. Mail monetary donations to SAGES Foundation, P.O. Box 461, Fox Lake, Wisconsin 53933.

Your past generosity has made a significant difference in sustaining SAGES' project-based learning programming and the ability for this unique school to continue *"exceeding expectations."* Support by donors like you has made it possible for SAGES Foundation to fund: new technology (*chromebooks and i-Pads*), musical instruments, science lab equipment, project software, library books, staff professional development in agriculture, environmental education, and project-based learning, plus last year's Banquet Special Appeal — adjustable tables with stools for the Teaching Kitchen!

We thank you for any and all support you have shown SAGES over the years. We look forward to continuing our partnership with you to support the learners, staff, and programming at SAGES! If you have questions or require additional information, please don't hesitate to call Kathy at (920) 928-3499 or email ronpaulatgodevil@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Dale Paul

President, SAGES Foundation

P.S. **New this year** — if you'd like to sponsor a SAGES' Staff Members' Banquet Ticket, simply check the box on your registration form.

This year's **"Special Appeal"** item isn't an item. It's an investment in the health and well-being of our children, their families, and our community! Led by SAGES' learners, the school is embarking on an innovative, forward-thinking project that will transform their existing playground into a **"Living Schoolyard"** — an outdoor nature-based play and learning environment that promotes exploration, imagination, healthy risk-taking, physical activity, connections to nature, plus a sense of belonging and community.

Watch for a special mailing in March that will share project plans including fundraising goals, as well as non-financial support needed: donations of time, talent, materials, services, etc.