

# St. Coletta Day School of Milwaukee

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Hi everyone,

ColettaScope, our signature fundraiser is two weeks away, or as Dominik pointed out to me at lunch on Friday, '15 days till ColettaScope'.

Here's what you need to know about the event:

There is no expectation that you attend, however, if you choose to attend, it really allows you to see the impact our school has on the families and guests who attend and support our school, both financially and emotionally. You will each receive complimentary tickets for you and a guest and for any of your children who might be interested in attending as well.

The event is from 6:00-9:30. It is best to stay for as much of the event as you are able as different things happen throughout the evening, all evening long. We usually expect between 250-300 guests. Most of the event is centered around Silent Auction items (artwork created by our students and non-art items that have been solicited from our community)

This is our 22nd ColettaScope event. We typically raise \$25,000-\$35,000 which go toward programming at school, Urban Ecology Center, field trip transportation costs, etc. (seems like we could use an update on our classroom projectors!!). In fact, if you have any ideas for items to purchase [please let me know so we can add them to our wish list.

Our students are in attendance (most of them) with their families. They are a part of the event and the excitement. This is all about them. Best Buddies are actively present and assist our students in the Respite area which is away from the main room where everything takes place.

There is, of course, silent bidding on the items, a Voice Auction of 5-6 items, opportunities to purchase restaurant certificates, a 'Cork Pull', a sale table of various items and food and beverage. The event is put together by a committee of 13 people who are staff members, parents, Board members, friends and supporters of the school.

The main idea is to showcase our students and our school and to have fun.

If you have any specific questions, just let me know. I hope this help[s] to give you an overview of the event.  
Bill

"To be happy... free your heart from hatred, free your mind from worries, live simply, give more, expect less."  
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