



## Greater Heights Night FAQs

### What is Greater Heights Night?

Greater Heights Night is where our community comes together to support children, back teachers, and fund schools in AHISD. The event begins with a reception and a brief program that includes a seated dinner, a live auction, and many opportunities to back teachers.

### Where is Greater Heights Night?

Greater Heights Night is held at the Mays Family Center at the Witte Museum, 3801 Broadway, San Antonio, TX 78209.

### When is Greater Height Night?

Wednesday, November 5th.

### How can I attend Greater Heights Night?

Purchase a Family Sponsorship or a Table Sponsorship. Family Sponsors can request to be seated with other Family Sponsors; otherwise, you will be seated with other Family Sponsors at a table. Please contact Vanessa Maynes at [vmaynes@ahisd.net](mailto:vmaynes@ahisd.net) to submit your preference.

### Who attends Greater Heights Night?

Guests are parents, grandparents, alumni, and members of our community who care about education in Alamo Heights.

### What is the schedule of events?

6:00 pm - Reception

7:00 pm - Seated for Dinner, Program, and Live Auction

9:30 pm - Event Concludes

### How do I know where I'm sitting?

As a registered attendee, you will receive text/email communication with your table number, bidder number, and more. Volunteers will also be present to help direct you to your table.

### What is the attire?

Smart Casual: Trendy but comfortable, in between casual and semi-formal attire.

### Where do we park?

Valet is available as a courtesy for all of our GHN guests. We also encourage rideshare and carpooling.

### How do I register to bid?

Attendees: You will receive a text and email with a personalized link to register to bid.

Non-attendees: Registration opens a week before Greater Heights Night. You must be registered to bid on silent auction items, purchase raffle tickets, and attend mule parties.



### **How do I participate in the Silent Auction?**

Our silent auction is available online and open to both attendees and non-attendees. You must be registered to bid. Registration opens before Greater Heights Night. Auction winners can pick up items between November 10th and December 18th at 6823 Broadway, 78209.

### **What are Mule Parties?**

Mule Parties are social gatherings held throughout the year with fun, food, and friends. Mule Parties are open to both attendees and non-attendees and are non-refundable. Mule Parties are available for sale online on the silent auction page.

### **Is there a Raffle?**

Yes! Each year, we have an amazing raffle item from Lee Michaels. Tickets can be purchased by attendees and non-attendees. Participants need not be present to win.

### **What is a Mystery Bag?**

150 Mystery Bags will be sold for \$150 each and are only available at Greater Heights Night. Mystery Bags will include various surprise items in each bag, with contents worth \$150 or more. You'll also have the chance to win a Family Sponsorship for the following year (a value of \$1,500!).

### **Do I need to purchase wine for my table?**

Wine upgrades are available for purchase closer to Greater Heights Night, *pre-sale only*. Any upgraded wine will be placed on your table alongside the complimentary two white and two red wine bottles.

### **Mules Up & Live Auction?**

We will begin our live auction with a paddle raise called Mules Up! All money donated supports teachers' salaries. Following Mules Up, our live auction offers up to eight items valued at \$7,500 or more. Proxy bidding is available; contact Vanessa Maynes and [vmaynes@ahisd.net](mailto:vmaynes@ahisd.net) to learn how to participate.

### **Tax-Deductibility?**

Mules Up donations are 100% tax deductible. Per IRS regulations, sponsorships and auction items are tax-deductible for the amount above the fair market value of the goods and services received. Raffle tickets, mystery bags, mule parties, and wine upgrades are not tax-deductible. Contact Heather McFarland at [hmcfarland@ahisd.net](mailto:hmcfarland@ahisd.net) with questions about tax deductibility or acceptable payment methods for tax-deductible contributions.

### **Can I pay for my sponsorship using my Donor-Advised Fund (DAF)?**

Please note: If you are using a Donor-Advised Fund (DAF) to support an event, IRS regulations prohibit using DAFs to cover any portion of the cost that includes goods or services, such as event tickets, meals, or benefits received in return.

You are welcome to make a fully tax-deductible gift through your DAF, but event participation must be paid separately using personal funds.