

Raffle Basket FAQ

1. What is this raffle basket thing I keep hearing about?

The raffle basket is a **fundraising** event put on once a school year by the PTSA. This year we are partnering with the Trunk or Treat to provide you with a one stop shop for candy, community, candy, fun, candy, a chance to win some really cool stuff and support PTSA sponsored programs, and candy!

2. Why do we do the raffle basket event?

This is one of the PTSA's major fundraisers for the year!

3. How does it work?

Each classroom has a parent volunteer. The parent volunteer chooses a theme for their basket and notifies the parents (via the classroom teacher) of that theme. The parents in that classroom help by providing goods or monetary means to be used for the basket. Those baskets are then raffled off at the event. The PTSA makes money from the raffle ticket sales.

4. How do I volunteer to coordinate my child's classroom basket?

What a great question! Be on the lookout for a Sign Up Genius on the GPES Families Facebook Page or in the Polar Bear Bytes. Sign up there and then notify your child's teacher that you are their Raffle Basket Classroom Coordinator! (Ooooo, maybe I should have led with the fancy title!). We have a PTSA Volunteer (shout out, Becky!) that will walk you through the ENTIRE process! This is a great way to get involved if you have always wanted to, but were not sure where to start!

5. How do I purchase tickets?

A pre-order form will be sent home by your child's teacher, sent in the Polar Bear Bytes, and posted on the GPES Families Facebook Page. Send your order form with cash or check to school with your child. Your child's teacher will give us the form and money. We will return an envelope with your raffle tickets home with your child. Write your name and phone number on each ticket so we know if we pull your ticket. You can also purchase tickets at the event. Event day tickets are \$1 each. Pre-sale tickets = 30 for \$25 (what a steal!).

6. How do I win a basket?

Come to the Trunk or Treat on 10/27! You will see all of the really cool baskets and place your tickets in a box that goes with the basket you have your eye on. If we pull your ticket, YOU WIN!!

7. Do I have to be present to win?

Somehow your tickets need to make it to the event! How you get them there is up to you! For example, you could come to the event, your neighbor could bring your tickets with them and place them for you, a well trained carrier pigeon would really liven things up! I choose you, but carrier pigeon is a close second!

8. When will the winners be announced?

You will have from 6:00-7:30 pm to place your tickets. We will announce winners at 8:00 pm at the event. If you need to leave before 8:00 pm, no problem! We will call you so you can come back to the event *that night* to pick up your winnings! If you can't make it that night, you can pick up your basket from the office on Monday morning!...but you have to pinky-promise that you will come on Monday so those angels in the office are not forced to stare at your winnings!

If you have any more questions, feel free to ask on the GPES Families Facebook Page or email jorenelson@gmail.com.