



# Grand Ridge Auction Rules

## Auction and Payment Policy

- Accepted methods of payment: MasterCard, Visa, or Debit Card.
- All sales are final. There will be no exchanges or refunds unless otherwise noted. All items are "as is." The Grand Ridge PTSA has attempted to describe and catalog items correctly, but neither warrants nor represents and in no event shall be responsible for the correctness of descriptions, genuineness, authorship, provenance or condition of the items. No statement made in the auction catalog, or made orally at the auction or elsewhere, shall be deemed such a warranty, representation, or assumption of liability. The auctioneer and Grand Ridge PTSA strongly encourage bidders to carefully inspect each item/lot in which the bidder has any interest to determine the item/lot's nature, quality, condition, quantity and size before bidding. Bidder's failure to inspect, or otherwise be fully informed as to the nature, quality, condition, quantity and size of any item/lot will not constitute ground for any claim, adjustment, refund, termination of the contract for sale, or refusal to close the sale, against Auctioneer or Grand Ridge PTSA.
- Each person bidding assumes all risks and hazards related to the auction and items obtained at the auction. Each bidder agrees to hold harmless from any liability arising indirectly from the Grand Ridge PTSA, their elected and appointed committee members, the auctioneer, the event organizers, sponsors, and/or volunteers connected with the auction.
- An item's listed value is an estimate of fair market value, or based on owners estimates. Items have not been appraised unless so noted. The amount you pay above this fair market value estimate is normally tax-deductible as a charitable contribution. Please consult your tax advisor to clarify amount of deduction.
- Payment for Online Auction items must be made within 24 hours of the Online Auction closing. The 2012 Online Auction will close at 9pm on January 29. The deadline for payment will be 9pm on January 30, 2012. After 24 hours, if winning bidder has not made payment, the next bidder in line will be contacted.
- Payment for Silent and Live Auction items purchased must be made in full on the night of the auction to the cashier. A Grand Ridge PTSA volunteer will gladly accept MasterCard, Visa, or Debit Card. Please allow 30 minutes after the item has closed before reporting to cashier. You may wait until all the items you have bid on are closed before you report to the cashier.
- Unless otherwise specified, all auction certificates must be used within one year of the date of the auction. Bidders participating in our Online Auction Jan. 22 - 29, 2012 can check for restrictions by visiting the Grand Ridge PTSA Auction Website at [www.grandridgeelementary.schoolauction.net/sam](http://www.grandridgeelementary.schoolauction.net/sam) beginning Jan. 9, 2012. Just click on the "Online" tab then click the "Browse" tab to find an item you are interested in. Click on the item name for details and restrictions. For those attending our Mardi Gras event on Feb. 11, 2012, check for restrictions under the "Catalog" tab of the same website beginning Jan. 30, 2012. There you will see a catalog list of items that will be available for bid on auction night. Click on an item's name to find details and restrictions.
- Grand Ridge PTSA Auction Committee reserves the right to add or withdraw items, without notice, to or from any of the auctions.

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Happy Bidding!**



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1-Week ONLINE Auction

January 22 – 29, 2012

1. The Online Auction will consist of fabulous works of art donated from every classroom at Grand Ridge Elementary. Items will be on display in the school library and on our auction website. This 1-Week Online Auction will be active on the Grand Ridge PTSA Auction Website, <https://grandridgeelementary.schoolauction.net/sam>, starting at 8 am on January 22, 2012 through 9 pm January 29, 2012.
2. On January 9, 2012 you will be able to browse a preview of the Online Auction items and register to participate in the Online Auction. Just click the “Online” tab on the website then the “Browse” or “Register” tab.
3. You must register online before placing a bid. Please consider registering early when the January 9<sup>th</sup> Online Auction Preview begins. Registering before the 1-Week Online Auction starts will help you avoid being outbid on an item you may want. It takes just a short time to fill-out the online form but this could be precious time wasted during a bidding “war”. Complete the form and you will be ready to bid.
4. Once you have registered you will be led to a “Welcome” page where you will be instructed on how you can bid. If you see an item you are interested in, click on its name and you will be led to a page where you will see the:
  - Minimum bid
  - Minimum raise
  - Closing time
  - Delivery information
  - Existing bids and
  - Restrictions
5. To place your bid, type the bid amount in the box underneath the “Time Remaining” counter and click the “Bid Now” button. Your bid will be considered an actual bid **not** a maximum bid. Check back often to see if you are the leading bidder. If you are not, you can bid again.
6. After the close of the Online Auction, the winning bidders will be contacted by e-mail.
7. Payment for Online Auction items must be made within 24 hours of Online Auction closing. The 2012 Online Auction will close promptly at 9pm on January 29th. The deadline for payment will be 9pm on January 30, 2012. After 24 hours, if winning bidder has not made payment, the next bidder in line will be contacted.

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# Grand Ridge Auction Rules

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## Silent Auction

Hilton Garden Inn, Issaquah, February 11, 2012

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1. There will be three Silent Auction sections, elaborately displaying many wonderful items available for bid. Each section will close for bidding at a separate time during the night. Closing times will be clearly displayed at each table. Beginning January 30<sup>th</sup> some of the Silent Auction items may be previewed on the Grand Ridge PTSA Auction website at <https://grandridgeelementary.schoolauction.net/sam> under the "Catalog" tab.
2. All items, in the Silent Auction, have bid sheets next to them or on a table nearby. When you want to bid, you do so by writing your bid number on the line corresponding to the amount you want to bid listed on the bid sheet. Your bid number is your identification during the auction. You will be given a bid number when you check-in at our Mardi Gras event at the Hilton Garden Inn. You will receive a large bid card for the Live Auction and a small bid card to carry with you for the Silent Auction.
3. You do not have to take the next available bid amount. You may skip ahead on the sheet to find the amount you want to bid. The next bidder must pick an amount higher than yours to be a successful bidder.
4. If you really want an item, just write your bid number and name in the section labeled "Buy It Now" and you've bought the item. Once you write your number and name in the "Buy It Now" section, the bidding on that item is concluded. Please draw a diagonal line through the previous bid spaces to help the silent auction closing officials.
5. You may bid on any items in any silent auction section until the section is closed. The Silent Auction sections will be closed to further bidding at the times posted. A silent auction official will finalize the bid sheets by circling the highest amount bid along with the corresponding bidder's number. You can see if you are the successful purchaser by looking at a copy of the silent auction bid sheet, which will be left in its place after the section is closed.
6. In the event of a dispute, the Auction Chair will act as final authority.
7. Payment for the auction items purchased must be made in full on the night of the auction to the cashier. Please allow 30 minutes after the item has closed before reporting to cashier. You may wait until all the items you have bid on are closed before you report to the cashier.
8. Once auction payment is complete, the winning bidder may pick up their purchase(s) in the check-out area. You must show your "paid" receipt at the time of pick-up. The purchaser must pick up all items on the night of the auction. Effort will be made to contact the purchaser if items are left unclaimed. Any item left unclaimed for 48 hours, will be sold and proceeds will go to the Auction.

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## Live Auction

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1. Live Auction items are generally either the highest value or expect to raise the most excitement from bidders.
2. Live Auction items may be previewed in the designated Live Auction area from the time the doors open. Please feel free to examine the items and note any restrictions, limitations, sizes, etc. Beginning January 30<sup>th</sup> some of the Live Auction items may be previewed on the Grand Ridge PTSA Auction website at <https://grandridgeelementary.schoolauction.net/sam> under the "Catalog" tab.
3. The Live Auction will begin at 8:00 p.m. and will continue without intermission until all items have been auctioned.
4. The auctioneer will begin auctioning a specific item by asking for a starting bid. To enter a bid, the bidder holds up their large bid card (received during check-in at our Mardi Gras themed event) so that the auctioneer or one of the spotters can see it. Use only the bid number assigned to you. The auctioneer will determine who the successful bidder is. During your bid, please hold your card so that the number can be seen easily.
5. Successful bidders for the Live Auction will be asked to sign a Live Auction Recording Sheet. At that time, the winning bidder should verify that the bid number, amount, and item number/name are correct.
6. In the event of any dispute between bidders, the auctioneer shall have sole and final discretion to determine the successful bidder or to re-offer the item in dispute.
7. Payment for Silent and Live Auction items purchased must be made in full on the night of the auction to the cashier. A Grand Ridge PTSA volunteer will gladly accept MasterCard, Visa, or Debit Card. Please allow 30 minutes after the item has closed before reporting to cashier. You may wait until all the items you have bid on are closed before you report to the cashier.
8. Once auction payment is complete, the winning bidder may pick up their purchase(s) in the check-out area. You must show your "paid" receipt at the time of pick-up. The purchaser must pick up all items on the night of the auction. Effort will be made to contact the purchaser if items are left unclaimed. Any item left unclaimed for 48 hours, will be sold and proceeds will go to the Auction.

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