

ST. MATTHEW SCHOOL FALL CLEANUP TRASH BAG SALE | FAQ

The trash bag sale has proven to be a successful fundraiser for St. Matthew School and Parent Faculty Association (PFA) for the past 30+ years. Our average benefit from this fundraiser is \$20,000 per year. We will be selling everyone's favorite trash bags with some updates to the process regarding guidelines, timelines and communication. The school and PFA greatly appreciate your time and effort in making this a successful fundraiser for our school and community.

WHY TRASH BAGS?

Trash bags are a consumable that everyone needs. We are not asking friends and families to support our school by purchasing a product and/or service that they don't need or will not use.

WHO BENEFITS FROM THE TRASH BAG SALE?

The trash bag sale benefits our school and community in a number of ways such as classroom supplies and computer equipment, continuing education and development for teachers and staff, academic scholarships, after school enrichment programs, and school-wide events. These funds provide classroom support for teachers/subject areas and supplies for the first-aid office.

DO I NEED TO SELL TRASH BAGS?

The answer is YES! The trash bag sale is the ONLY required fundraiser for all St. Matthew families in kindergarten through 8th grade. Each family is required to sell a minimum amount of trash bags or opt-out with an established donation.

ONE (1) STUDENT	(12) ROLLS \$11.00 PER ROLL (\$132)
TWO (2) OR MORE STUDENTS	(24) ROLLS \$11.00 PER ROLL (\$264)
OPT-OUT of selling bags	\$80 FOR ONE (1) STUDENT \$160 FOR TWO (2) OR MORE STUDENTS

WHAT TYPES OF TRASH BAGS ARE WE SELLING?

We will offer three (3) types of high-quality trash bags made from 100% recycled plastic. We have flyers available this year to help your students with the sale of the trash bags. The flyers include school information, fundraiser benefits and product pricing and specifications. If you would like samples of these bags, they are available in the main office.

TALL KITCHEN BAGS (WHITE)	18-GALLON	(60) BAGS PER ROLL	\$11/ROLL
LAWN/LEAF BAGS (YELLOW)	39-GALLON	(20) BAGS PER ROLL	\$11/ROLL
CONTRACTOR BAGS (GREEN)	55-GALLON	(15) BAGS PER ROLL	\$11/ROLL

WHEN DOES THE TRASH BAG SALE START AND WHAT IS THE DISTRIBUTION PROCESS?

The trash bag sale will begin Thursday, September 7, 2023 and conclude on Thursday, October 12, 2023. AFTER THE SALE CONCLUDES, TRASH BAGS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON A LIMITED BASIS.

In years past, families have been able to check out trash bags from the bus barn at designated times prior to payment. There will be NO check out option this year and no returns. You must pay for your trash bags at the time of pick up at the bus barn. The bus barn is located behind the school and can be accessed via Forest Manor Avenue. We have included an order form to assist families in taking orders. If you have a large order, please feel free to contact Carly Brenner at carlycopebrenner@gmail.com and we can have your order ready for you at one of the scheduled pick-up times. The dates and times to pick up trash bags are as follows:

9/7/2023 (THURS.)	2:45-6:15P	BUS BARN	PICK UP TRASH BAGS
9/13/2023 (WED.)	2:45-6:15P	BUS BARN	PICK UP TRASH BAGS
9/21/2023 (THURS.)	2:45-6:15P	BUS BARN	PICK UP TRASH BAGS
9/27/2023 (WED.)	2:45-6:15P	BUS BARN	PICK UP TRASH BAGS
10/5/2023 (THURS.)	7:00-9:00A 2:45-6:15P	BUS BARN	PICK UP TRASH BAGS
10/12/2023 (THURS.)	7:00-9:00A 2:45-6:15P	BUS BARN	PICK UP TRASH BAGS
IF NONE OF THE ABOVE DATES AND/OR TIMES WORK FOR YOU, PLEASE CONTACT CARLY BRENNER AT carlycopebrenner@gmail.com TO SCHEDULE			

HOW AND WHEN DO I PAY FOR THE TRASH BAGS?

Trash bags MUST be paid for upon pick up at the designated times. ALL PAYMENTS FOR SALES AND OPT-OUT OPTIONS ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12TH. Please note that we can only accept cash and/or checks made payable to St. Matthew School. Credit card and/or debit cards are not accepted for this fundraiser.

WILL THERE BE SALES INCENTIVES?

Absolutely! All families participating in the sale will receive an incentive. In order to be eligible for incentives, all monies must be turned in on or before Thursday, October 12, 2023. 7th grade families will be eligible for incentive items, but not cash prizes. Incentives are as follows:

1-24 AND BUY-OUT OPTION	SMS FIDGET TOY
25-50	SMS BALL
51-100	SMS WATER BOTTLE
101 OR MORE	SMS CINCH BAG

In addition to these incentives, there will be cash prizes given to the top sellers and a school-wide incentive. Top sellers in each grade and the three (3) top sellers in the school will receive prizes and if the school reaches our sales goal, there will be an ice cream social at Walk-A-Thon.

TOP SELLER IN EACH GRADE	(3) HOODIE PASSES
TOP THREE (3) SELLERS IN THE SCHOOL	1 ST PLACE: \$150.00 2 ND PLACE: \$100.00 3 RD PLACE: \$50.00
SCHOOL GOAL OF \$40,000	ICE CREAM SOCIAL AT WALK-A-THON

ARE THERE ADDITIONAL BENEFITS FOR 7TH GRADERS PARTICIPATING IN THE SALE?

The fundraiser is a required fundraiser benefitting the entire school, but there is additional benefit for 7th grade students. Once your student/family has surpassed the school requirement of twelve (12) rolls for one student and twenty-four (24) rolls for two (2) or more students, your student will earn \$2.00 per additional roll sold to go towards their 8th grade class trip. 7TH grade families will be given the opportunity to sell trash bags before/after masses on the following weekends: September 9/10, 16/17, 23/24 and October 7/8. Please see your 7th grade class liaison for additional information on how you can sell trash bags during these dates/times.

ARE THERE ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS, IF I CANNOT FULFILL THE REQUIREMENT?

We understand that this commitment may be challenging for some families due to a number of reasons. If this is the case for your family, please do not hesitate to contact Kathy Gray (kgray@saintmatt.org) or Carly Brenner (carlycopebrenner@gmail.com) to discuss options.

ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC SCHOOL FALL CLEANUP TRASH BAG SALE | ORDER FORM

STUDENT'S LAST NAME	
STUDENT'S HOMEROOM TEACHER	

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MAKE CHECK(S) PAYABLE TO ST. MATTHEW CATHOLIC SCHOOL