

# Frequently Asked Questions

## **What is the CCA Spring Gala?**

The Gala is an adult-only, fun night to socialize with friends and bid on fantastic items while supporting the school. Proceeds from the evening will sustain the academic and leadership initiatives that make the Cape Cod Academy experience so rich. Everyone is welcome, including friends and family outside the CCA community. The evening includes a silent auction, exciting live bidding, and dining all set at the beautiful Oyster Harbors Club.

## **When and where?**

Friday, June 4, 2021

Staggered seating begins at 5:00 p.m. Event starts promptly at 5:30 p.m.

Oyster Harbors Club, 170 Grand Island Drive, Osterville, MA

Tickets: \$125/person | Tables: \$1,000

## **Will there be any COVID-19 safety measures in place?**

Yes. Indoor and outdoor seating will be available. All seating will be spaced according to state guidelines and regulations of the Oyster Harbors Club. Masks must be worn at all times, except when sitting at your own table. All food and beverages will be served to avoid creating lines at a buffet or bar. Auction items will be spaced to avoid crowding, and mobile bidding will be used instead of clipboards. All tables will be limited to six people.

## **How do we get there?**

Directions to the Oyster Harbors Club are available on their [website](#). Please note, Oyster Harbors is a gated community. Your name will be provided to the front gate staff that evening. Complimentary valet parking is provided at the Club, but it is optional.

## **What type of items will be auctioned?**

There will be both a silent auction and live bidding. This year, the Gala features items ranging from reserved parking at CCA to tickets to a Patriots game, luxurious beauty treatments, and dream vacations. There is truly something for everyone!

## **Will dinner be served?**

The Oyster Harbors Club is renowned for both its beautiful setting and exceptional food service. A delicious plated dinner (with a vegetarian option available) will be served prior to the live auction. Additionally, beer and wine will be complimentary for the evening. **Cocktails may be purchased with cash only. (Please note: The Oyster Harbors Club does not accept credit cards and there is no ATM onsite).**

## **What to wear?**

Cocktail-casual attire is appropriate. For men, jackets, a collared shirt, and slacks/khakis are recommended. Ties are optional. For the ladies, dresses or dressy pants are fine. Jeans, t-shirts, and baseball caps are not permitted at the Club.

### **How is seating arranged- can we sit with friends?**

Each table seats a total of six guests. Table seating will be assigned. We will make every accommodation to make sure you are sitting with friends, but if you would like to guarantee your companions, full tables are available for purchase. Feel free to bring guests from outside our current community: Past CCA families, alumni, grandparents, friends, and neighbors are all welcome!

### **How do I purchase tickets?**

Tickets can be purchased via the school website at [www.capecodacademy.org](http://www.capecodacademy.org).

### **When will I be charged for my purchase /winning bid?**

Payments will not be processed automatically. CCA will be working with the event coordinator to review all purchases and bid items prior to processing any credit cards. This can take them some time depending on the size of the auction. We anticipate all credit cards will be processed by the Monday after the event.

### **Are there ways to be involved with the Gala?**

Yes! There are many ways to participate in addition to attending. If you have goods or services that you would like to showcase as auction items, please let us know by May 10th. Volunteers are also appreciated to help with decorations and set up. Please contact Katie Newhall or Emma Flynn at [advancement@capecodacademy.org](mailto:advancement@capecodacademy.org) for more information.

### **What if I cannot attend the event in person?**

We will be offering a virtual component for anyone who cannot attend the event in person. Registration is still required to participate. You can register online here:

<https://capecoda.ejoinme.org/SpringGala2021>. Both our silent and live auctions will be available virtually to those who register.

### **How will the silent auction work?**

Our silent auction will be open for online bidding beginning Friday, May 28th, so anyone can participate, whether you plan to attend the Gala or not! Online bidding for the silent auction will close on June 3rd, the night before the Gala. The silent auction will open again for bidding to only Gala attendees, so if you are bidding online before the Gala, and you want to ensure you are the highest bidder for a certain item, you should select the “buy it now” option.

### **How will the live auction work?**

Our live auction will look almost exactly the same as it usually does...with the exception of a few cameras for those watching from home! Anyone participating in person will be given a program with their bid number. For anyone watching from home, a bid number will be assigned. You can still “raise a paddle”, but you will need to use the chat feature in Zoom to place a bid. We will have someone monitoring the chat very closely, so you don’t miss out on any of the action!

**Hope to see you on Friday, June 4th at Oyster Harbors Club!**