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Dear Friend of Jones,

We're writing you on behalf of Jones College Prep High School (JCP) to ask for your continued support with our annual Spring Fundraiser. This year, we're **celebrating Jones College Prep's 80**<sup>th</sup> **anniversary** at the fundraiser so it's quite special. The fundraiser will be held on Friday, May 4th, at The Drake Hotel.

As you know, Jones is a public, selective enrollment high school in the South Loop, serving one of the most culturally, racially and economically diverse student bodies in Chicago. Our student's achievements have repeatedly placed Jones on *US News and World Report's* list of America's Best High Schools.

While JCP's teachers and programs are excellent, the school must rely upon contributions from parents, friends and business owners like you to support valuable academic, artistic and athletic programming. In fact, many of these enrichment programs would not be possible without this support that helps to bridge the gap created by decreased federal, state and city funds.

Please consider supporting Jones students by making a tax-deductible donation to the **online auction** leading up to our live fundraiser event. We are looking for a broad array of items, including gift cards, merchandise, tickets to sporting and theatrical events, professional and personal services, hotel and travel certificates. **This year we are asking donors to e-mail certificates when possible. Items are needed by a Friday, March 30th deadline.** 

Your generous donation will receive exposure to 250,000 people via the online action conducted on Biddingforgood.com from April 23 through May 4:

Many thanks for your consideration. We will be following up with you in the coming weeks to answer any questions you may have to determine your interest in supporting this great school!

Sincerely,

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