

## 2025 Bidding FAQs - Starry Prom Night

### ***How does bidding at the Auction work?***

You will be able to bid on silent auction items anywhere you can access the bidding site ([link to bidding site](#)). Mobile devices and computers all work! On the morning of the auction, you will receive a message with a link to register for mobile bidding. If you are attending the auction party, we highly encourage you to register in advance and create an account!!

### ***When can I start bidding?***

Those who are Auction Sponsors or who have purchased a Sponsor a Teacher/Staff Ticket, or Sponsored the DJ/Photo Booth will be granted EARLY access to start bidding on Friday, March 14th at 6pm. Mobile bidding will be open to the whole Oak community starting on Saturday, March 15th at 12pm. The auction will close on Sunday, March 16th at 8pm.

### ***Can I bid even if I can't attend the auction party?***

Yes!! If you can't make it to the party. You can still bid on all the amazing items. Just click the **GET STARTED** button on the bidding page on Saturday March 15th and it will enable you to create your account.

### ***What's the difference between a silent auction item and a party ticket/spot?***

Silent Auction items have a starting bid and bidding increment. Each new bid must exceed the previous bid by at least the stated increment. Bidding stops when the silent auction closes. The highest bid at closing will be the winning bid.

Party tickets are sold at a fixed price (no bidding). But many parties have a limited number of spots available - so don't wait to buy tickets for the parties that you're interested in!!

### ***What happens when I'm the highest bidder?***

If you are the highest bidder, you are required to pay the pledged amount. Within 1-2 days after the Auction, you will receive a receipt for the items you purchased. You will have 1-2 days to review your items and to communicate any questions or inaccuracies to the Auction Committee. On Wednesday, March 19th, your credit card will automatically be billed for the amount of the invoice. A receipt with all of the purchased items will be provided, with Oak PTA's tax ID number (for any charitable contributions).

### **How does the Live Auction work?**

The Live auction will be a part of the Auction Party. Our auction emcees will feature each item and attendees can raise their paddles to bid for our amazing live auction items. Winners/winning bids will be noted and recorded at the event.

### **Are there any fees?**

To maximize our fundraising and to ensure that the money raised goes to the PTA, for all items purchased at the auction there will be a 4% transaction fee applied to all online charges. If for some reason, you do not wish to donate this amount to Oak School - please contact [oakauction2025@gmail.com](mailto:oakauction2025@gmail.com) with the subject: Opt Out of Fees.

### ***What's the fine print?***

The fine print: Generous parents and community members have donated the auction items. We have attempted to catalog and describe all items correctly. We apologize for any errors, changes, or omissions. All items are sold 'as is'. All sales are final and there are no exchanges, refunds or substitutions. All parties must mutually agree upon all dates and services or events in advance. Most items have an expiration date. The item or items you purchase as the winning bidder are not warranted or guaranteed by Oak PTA. Auction donations are deductible to the extent the amount paid exceeds fair market value. All values are as estimated by the donor, where available, and are not warranted by the Oak PTA for purposes of valuation or tax consequences. Contact your tax advisor for further information. For questions, please contact the committee at [oakauction2025@gmail.com](mailto:oakauction2025@gmail.com).

***Bid High & Bid Often!***