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## To Whom It May Concern:

Ave Maria Catholic School (AMCS) is proud to present <u>Angels Among Us</u>, an Ave Maria Catholic School <u>Benefit Event</u>. Our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Benefit Event is inspired by the magic of the Kentucky Derby and will feature both a live and silent auction to be held at AMCS on November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011. We are asking for your support through the donation of goods or services that can be auctioned at our event or with underwriting donations to help us in our fundraising goals.

Our event has continued to grow year after year through the continued support of people and businesses just like you and we are confident we can surpass our goal of raising over \$100,000 this year. Your donation is critical to our ability to provide quality items and services that will attract student families, friends, and associates from our surrounding communities to our event. All of the proceeds from the Benefit Event go directly to the school's operating expenses. The tuition that families pay does not cover the full cost of educating the children, so this event is used to offset that difference.

In return for your support, your business products and services will be included in our auction catalog, both in print and online. You will also receive donor recognition on our event website and in our marketing material, providing exposure to thousands of individuals in our surrounding communities.

AMCS is a member of the North Central Association of Schools and operates under Colorado State Education Laws. We are a premier faith based educational institution – built and supported by the strength of our Catholic beliefs. Our enrollment consists of a variety of students with different religious affiliations who live in various parts of Douglas, Arapahoe, and Elbert counties. We offer exceptional educational programs for our children ranging in age from Preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. We are a tax-exempt charitable organization as defined in section 501{c}(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Our tax-exempt number is 98-14153-0000.

This year we offer a variety of methods to make your donation. You can contact one of our team members by calling **(720) 239-AVE1 (2831)** or you can submit a donation online at www.aveauction.org and one of our team members will contact you to complete your donation.

On behalf of the students, families, and parish community of AMCS, we thank you in advance for your consideration and participation in this year's event and the spiritual and educational growth of our children.

God Bless,

Donald J. Billings Co-Chair

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