GA PENNY FAIR

Frequently Asked Questions

1. **What is Penny Fair?**
   Penny Fair is our all-school carnival. We have food/drinks, games/prizes, raffle baskets.

2. **When does Penny Fair take place?**
   Penny Fair takes place on Friday of Catholic Schools Week. This year it will be held Friday, February 3rd, 2012. The event runs from 11:00 – 1:30. Kindergartners are dismissed first and it is graduated so that each grade comes until the entire school is present. All of the food & drink booths, raffle baskets, prize redemption, ticket sales, and some game booths are located in the Undercroft (school cafeteria). The Cake Walk and majority of the games are located in the Old Gym.

3. **Do I need to be with my child?**
   Children in Kindergarten and 1st grade need to be accompanied by a parent or assigned guardian for the event. Unsupervised children in these grades will not be allowed to leave their classrooms.

4. **Can I bring my younger children to Penny Fair?**
   Yes! Parents and siblings of any student are welcomed at Penny Fair.

5. **Will the cafeteria be serving lunch or should my child pack a lunch?**
   The cafeteria is closed the day of Penny Fair. We have plenty of food and drinks available for purchase including pizza, hot dogs, nachos, popcorn, soft drinks and water.

6. **Is this event free or does my child need to bring money to the event?**
   All of our games, food, and drinks require tickets. Tickets are 25 cents each and everything costs between 1 and 5 tickets. Money is only needed on the day of the event to purchase tickets if they were not purchased ahead of time. There is always a ticket sale prior to the event-details are in the Wednesday Herald and on the PTA website under Penny Fair. Pre-sale tickets will be handed out in your child's homeroom. Avoid long lines and get bonus tickets for every $20 purchased in advance.

7. **How many tickets does my child need?**
   This depends on how many games your child wants to play and how much food they want to eat! There is no refund for unused tickets, but we always have lots of raffle baskets available, and this is a perfect way for your child to "spend" any leftover tickets at the end of the event.

8. **Where does my child go after the event is over?**
   Early dismissal is available for every student the day of Penny Fair. A permission slip is sent home ahead of time so the teachers can keep track of their students. If you forget your permission slip, you must sign your child out in the school office.

9. **What if I can't pick my child up for early dismissal?**
   All students who do not go home early will be sent back to their homerooms for the remainder of the day. Full bus service is available the day of Penny Fair, as is After Care.

10. **What can I do to help?**
   Penny Fair is a huge success because of all the help we get from GA families. We ask for the following donations: 2-liters, Pringles, Stax, small gift cards or any prizes big or small that can be used in the games or raffle baskets. The cake walk is very popular so we need a lot of cakes. Last year we had over 100 cakes donated! We also offer a baked good sale so if you would like to bring in cookies, brownies or some small treat it would be greatly appreciated.

   Non-perishable items can be left in the office prior to the day of Penny Fair. Anything coming in the day of Penny Fair should be brought down to the Undercroft.

   VOLUNTEER- *We have over 60 shifts to fill and you can give your time. The smallest shift is only 1½ hours. If you have a younger child you can help them get their service hours in by having them work a game with you. It's a great way to spend time with your children. AND the older students work in 45 minute shifts throughout the entire event at the game booths alongside the adult volunteers.*

If you have any other questions please
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