# It's Progressive Raffle Time!!!

February 1 - March 11, 2016

The Progressive Raffle for the 2015-16 School Year is Happening Now! One of our most successful fundraisers in the past, the Progressive Raffle helps to raise funds for the long- and short-term benefits of our school. Previous years' proceeds have helped to revitalize individual classrooms, purchase and install Smart Boards, finalize the installation of window replacements, provide scholarships to our students, fund academic clubs such as Law Adventure and much more. This year's proceeds will be used to continue to upgrade classrooms and our school building.

Reach out to friends, family, coworkers and everyone else you know to spend \$10 on a chance. Half of the total pot goes to Saint James School, and the remaining 50% is split among 4 lucky winners. Previous winners have received over \$5,000.

Get the children involved! Have them call or e-mail relatives, visit your neighbors <u>together</u>, make it fun. It's a great reason to reconnect and keep in touch.

#### **EARLY BIRD INCENTIVE**

For every 15 tickets sold and returned by Friday, February 19th, each child in your family receives one dress down pass for a day of their choosing (excluding School Mass and \$2 Dress Down days).

Preschool students will receive a separate incentive, arranged in conjunction with their teacher.

Send in 15 tickets sold (with payment) on or before February  $19^{th}$  and receive one dress down pass for each child in your family a week later.

All tickets (sold and unsold) are due back in the Business Office the morning of Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. The winning tickets will be drawn 12:00pm, Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup> in the Saint James Rectory.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### **Exactly how does the Progressive Raffle work?**

Here's an example, but remember we've printed 10,000 tickets, and we will sell as many as we can.

A total of 2,000 tickets are sold, creating a cash pot of \$20,000.

St. James Elementary School receives \$10,000.

The remaining \$10,000 is split among the four winning tickets as follows: \$5,000 First Place (50% of the winning total) \$2,500 Second Place (25% of the winning total) \$1,500 Third Place (15% of the winning total) \$1,000 Fourth Place (10% of the winning total)

### Do the winners need to be present at the drawing to win?

Winners do not need to be present.

## If I win and am present at the drawing, do I receive my cash on the spot?

No, cash prizes are distributed post-event as there are lottery rules that must be followed as outlined by the State of New Jersey.

# When will my children receive their Early-Bird dress down passes?

Dress down passes will be sent home on Friday, February 26th.

#### How do I get more tickets to sell?

Each family receives a starter pack of 30 tickets. Want more? Just let us know by emailing <a href="mmeles@aol.com">rimmeles@aol.com</a>, sending a note to school with your child requesting more tickets or calling the Business Office. We will send home an additional packet of 10 tickets unless a larger amount is requested.

## Do Progressive Raffle ticket sales count towards my PTA fee requirements?

Absolutely. 100% of every ticket sold counts towards the \$300 fundraising fee. Every \$10 ticket sold to family and friends = \$10 applied to the PTA fundraising commitment.