

# **AUTOS FOR AUTISM**

### PROCEEDS TO THE BURGER AUTISTIC SCHOOL ASSOCIATION, INC.

To benefit the Burger School for Students With Autism ••• Servicing 18 Wayne County School Districts

January 2024

Dear Friend,

The "Autos for Autism" Committee is thrilled to announce that our 23nd Annual Car Show will be returning to everyone's favorite location, the Garden City Middle School, for 2024.

In our commitment to enhance the event experience and ensure a consistent venue, we have decided to schedule 'Autos for Autism' in June. Keeping the show in June moving forward to avoid getting relocated to another venue. Thanks to scores of loyal car owners who turn out every year, our event once again achieved resounding success. Mark your calendars for 'Autos for Autism' on June 17, 2024. We are proactively reaching out to potential sponsors in preparation. Over the years, our generous sponsors have provided a huge share of Car Show proceeds, and we are grateful beyond words for their contribution to our cause.

The Car Show provides most of the revenue for the Burger Autistic School Association, the parent/teacher group at Burger School. In recent years, Car Show funds have been used to furnish classrooms with new audiovisual technology, to provide playground communication boards and equipment, and to fund classroom grants, sports programs and fall formals, school stores and "calming rooms" at both buildings, family pizza parties and roller-skating outings, and much more.

So we hereby invite you and your business to sponsor the show this year, either through direct financial support or with a donation of raffle items or door prizes.

Donations valued from \$50 to \$499 will be recognized with varying sized ads in our program (see guide included) and selected donors will be mentioned on the back of the Car Show participant flyer. A business which generously donates \$500 or more will receive a full-page program ad and their logo will be featured on our website. Our "top ten" supporters will also be invited to place their names or logos on the front of the final participant flyer.

The Burger Autistic School Association, Inc. is a 501.(c)(3) organization, so donations are tax-deductible. We are composed entirely of volunteers and keep expenses low, so your donation can make a bigger impact on the lives of Burger students.

Thank you for taking the time to consider joining us in this worthwhile and deeply rewarding effort. If you have further questions, you may contact us at the numbers listed below. Sponsorships and donations can also be arranged via our website, **autosforautismgc.com**.

Sincerely, Lisa Clark and Kim Marquette Co-chairs Autos for Autism Car Show

> 23rd ANNUAL "AUTOS FOR AUTISM" CAR SHOW MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2024 4 to 9 P.M. GARDEN CITY MIDDLE SCHOOL, 1851 RADCLIFF GARDEN CITY, MI 48135

Burger Transition Center 30300 Maplewood Garden City, MI 48135 Phone: 734-762-8470

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# **Burger Autistic School Association**

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AUTISM is a lifelong neurological disorder that affects the ability to communicate, interact, and learn in a conventional manner. Individuals with this disorder, however, can exhibit a wide range of behaviors and abilities. In 2023, the CDC reported that approximately 1 in 36 children in the U.S. is diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder (ASD), significantly higher than its estimate from 2022. It is believed that the spike in diagnoses is a result of both increasing awareness of the condition, and more widespread access to evaluations. Boys continue to be four times more likely to be diagnosed with autism than girls.

The vast majority of children with autism will benefit greatly by being placed in a specialized school program at an early age. Since 1973, **Burger School for Students with Autism**, a center-based program administered by Garden City Schools, has excelled in the education of students affected by this disorder. Burger currently has an enrollment of about 160, drawn from 18 Wayne County school districts. Its classrooms are housed in two separate locations: Burger Baylor, for students aged 6 to 18; and the Transition Center, with ages from 18 to 26.

The **Burger Autistic School Association, Inc.** (BASA) is a community based, non-profit organization of teachers and family members of Burger students and alumni. Our mission is to enhance the educational opportunities of students at Burger School by procuring financial and other resources to obtain material, equipment, and adaptive devices appropriate to their wide variety of educational needs. We provide information and activities for families, peer support, and advocacy. We also work to raise community awareness about people with autism and their concerns, while striving to help each other and to help our students reach their full potential as independent and productive members of society. The annual "Autos for Autism" Car Show is, by far, BASA's biggest source of revenue in service of these goals. **This year's show is scheduled for Monday, June 17.** 

With an unwavering commitment to heightening the event experience and ensuring a steadfast venue, the decision has been made to strategically schedule 'Autos for Autism' in June, with the prestigious location being the Garden City Middle School. The foresight of maintaining the show in June not only prevents the inconvenience of relocation but also offers the added benefit of a cooler atmosphere. Demonstrating resilience, the Car Show committee has navigated challenges in the past and is poised for success once again in 2024. Mark your calendars for 'Autos for Autism' on June 17, 2024.

For more information regarding the educational program, please contact Program Director Susan Smitt at 734-729-1830. For questions about "Autos for Autism," please call committee co-chairs Lisa Clark at 734-323-3010, or Kim Marquette at 734-812-1559.

Thank you for your interest. We hope you will take a moment to consider how you can support this year's Car Show, and Burger School for Students with Autism.

DATE: MONDAY, JUNE 17, 2024 FROM 4 TO 9 P.M.



#### TO BENEFIT



**BURGER SCHOOL** FOR STUDENTS

Burger Autistic School Association  $m \,WITH \,AUTISM$ 

FOR MORE INFO. PHONE LISA CLARK: 734-323-3010, OR KIM MARQUETTE: 734-812-1559 YOU MAY ALSO REGISTER AT OUR WEBSITE: autosforautismgc.com VISIT US AT facebook.com/ autosforautism



9 Classes... 8 Car Classes and a Motorcycle Class! (TROPHY WINNERS IN EACH CLASS CHOSEN BY PARTICIPANT VOTING) Plus "CELEBRITY'S CHOICE" Trophies "Club Participation" Award and more!

# MONDAY, **JUNE 17, 2024** 4:00 TO 9:00 PM

**GARDEN CITY** MIDDLE SCHOOL, 1851 RADCLIFF, **GARDEN CITY** 

**OUR "TOP TEN" SPONSORS WILL GET** THEIR NAME OR LOGO ON FRONT OF FINAL **PARTICIPANT FLYER!** 

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DO YOU PLAN TO BRING AND SET UP A BOOTH AT THE SHOW? YES IF SO, PLEASE ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 2 P.M. ALL NON-PARTICIPANT VEHICLES MUST BE OFF THE LAWN BY 2:45!

Please include a business card or send a digital advertisement to jemgirl8588@gmail.com for our program. THANK YOU!

## \$500.00 OR MORE RECEIVES FULL PAGE AD

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\$250.00 TO \$499.00 - HALF PAGE					
\$125.00 TO \$249.00 - QUARTER PAGE	\$50.00 TO \$124.00 - BUSINESS CARD				
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