



FAQ's about the "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle

2026

What is the "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle?

The Mega Raffle is a fundraising initiative benefitting the Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation and the Quincy Notre Dame Foundation.

What are the goals of the "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle?

- 1) It creates an opportunity to build the two foundations.
- 2) Provide additional tuition assistance to a larger pool of students.
- 3) Directly and immediately benefit the grade schools with other projects through the \$10 Give-Back Program.
- 4) Helps to assure long term viability of our schools by maintaining or increasing enrollment.

How many tickets will be sold? How will they be sold? How can I buy tickets?

We will sell 4,000 tickets on a first-come first-serve basis. They will be sold through the families of the four Catholic elementary schools and Quincy Notre Dame. Tickets will be available at each school office and the Gene Grawe Office for purchase. Tickets can also be purchased on-line at QuincyMegaRaffle.org Information about the raffle will also be on the following websites: QuincyNotreDame.org and QuincyCatholicSchools.org or available at the Quincy Notre Dame Foundation office.

What is the time frame for which tickets will be sold?

Ticket sales will begin Thursday, April 9, and could potentially be sold until 4:00 p.m., on Friday, May 22, 2026. On-line tickets sales will also begin Thursday, April 9, 2026.

Who is eligible to purchase a ticket?

The Executive Directors of the QCESF and the QNDF are not eligible for raffle prizes. Further, employees or immediate family members of the QND/QCES Foundations, which includes spouses and children living at home, will NOT be permitted to purchase mega raffle tickets. However, in regards to the \$25,000 Early Bird prize and the Ticket Seller Drawing, family members of employees will be allowed to sell tickets and can earn the right to be in each of these drawings.

How much does a ticket cost?

Tickets are \$100.00 each.

How many prizes will be drawn?

We will have a total of thirty-three (33) drawings for the mega raffle with a total of \$169,500 in prizes awarded.

What are the prizes for the raffle?

1. Grand Prize: \$100,000
2. 2nd Place Drawing: \$15,000
3. 3rd Place Drawing: \$10,000
4. 4th through 11th Place Drawings (8): \$1,000 each
5. 12th through 21st Place Drawings (10): \$500 each
6. 22nd through 31st Place Drawings (10): \$250 each
7. Early Bird Drawing: \$25,000
8. Ticket Seller Drawing: \$4,000 tuition voucher or \$3,000 cash

Do you have any Early Bird Drawings?

Yes. We have one Early Bird drawing of \$25,000 that will take place on Wednesday, May 20, 2026. All ticket sellers and purchasers are eligible for the Early Bird Drawing of \$25,000. Tickets MUST be turned in by 4:00 p.m., on Friday, May 8, to qualify for this drawing.

Are there any drawings specifically for ticket sellers?

Yes. In addition to sellers being eligible for the Early Bird \$25,000 drawings, there is one drawing for ONLY ticket sellers. For every five (5) tickets sold, a ticket sellers name will be entered in the Ticket Seller Drawing to win either a \$4,000 tuition voucher to one of Quincy's Catholic schools or \$3,000 cash. **Please note** that sellers should list the same name, first and last, on each sold ticket to maximize their entries into this drawing.

The winner of this drawing has the right to designate the tuition voucher to a student of their choice. Voucher checks will be cut directly to the school in the child's name to be used for the 2026-27 school year. This Ticket Seller Drawing will take place at the Mega Drawing on Friday, May 29, 2026.

Am I eligible to win multiple prizes?

Yes. All tickets will be eligible for ALL drawings.

How will I know I am in the drawing?

Once your payment is received and ticket information is entered into our “Everybody Wins” database, you will receive a confirmation postcard letting you know what ticket numbers have been registered in your name.

Can more than one person purchase a ticket?

Yes, however, the ticket must list only one (1) person as the purchaser of record. On the ticket you will be able to list those who have also put money forth to purchase a share of the ticket. Raffle organizers are NOT responsible for any disputes which may arise between the different individuals whose names appear on the ticket stub.

Can I purchase a ticket for a minor?

Yes. If the ticket is purchased for a minor, an adult MUST be named as custodian for said minor under the Illinois Transfer to Minor’s Act.

If I purchase a ticket, can my ticket price be refundable?

All ticket sales are final and are non-refundable.

What are my options for the \$10 ticket give-back?

As the ticket purchaser, you have the opportunity to designate \$10 or a portion of the \$10 equally to one or more of the following five schools: St. Francis, St. Peter, St. Dominic, Blessed Sacrament, or Quincy Notre Dame.

How much money is available in the \$10 school give-back?

A pool of \$40,000 has been set aside as the incentive for the \$10 back to the schools. The money will be divided based on how many tickets are sold at each school with no caps put in place. If all 4,000 tickets are not sold, the two Foundations reserve the right to pro-rate \$10 Give-Back funds going to the schools.

Why should I help sell tickets?

- 1) As a parent of a child enrolled in one of the Catholic Schools, you believe in the importance and future of Catholic Christian education.
- 2) \$10 of every ticket sold can be designated back to your school to assist with many projects such as technology upgrades, art supplies, or anything else your school desires.
- 3) Your chance to win CASH or tuition credit through the seller incentives.
- 4) In one fundraiser, all the schools/parishes win and so do both the QCES and QND Foundations.
- 5) This is a cooperative Catholic education effort Pre-K-12.

- 6) As an opportunity to share with the greater Quincy community, we are in this together to provide Catholic Christian education to our kids.
- 7) A fundraiser such as the Mega Raffle could assure the long-term viability of our schools.

Can we deduct the ticket purchase for tax purposes?

No, however, you can deduct the purchase price of the ticket if you are declared a winner of one of the 33 prizes.

Who will manage the “Everybody Wins” Mega Raffle?

Schrecke and Associates, P.C. will serve as the “Raffle Manager” for the 2026 raffle.

What happens if you do not sell all of the tickets?

If the QCES and QND Foundations do not sell 4,000 tickets by 4:00 p.m., on Friday, May 22, 2026, the QCES and QND Foundations reserve the right to withdraw initial prizes. It will become (one) 50/50 drawing awarded to (one) raffle winner and to the foundations after the Quincy Catholic Schools are paid the \$10 give back incentive per ticket. Individual Seller Incentive Awards would NOT be awarded if the Mega Raffle becomes a 50/50 drawing.

How long will the raffle run?

The “Everybody Wins” Mega Raffle will run from Thursday, April 9, 2026, and could potentially run until 4:00 p.m., on Friday, May 22, 2026, if necessary.

When will the main drawing take place?

The Mega Drawing will take place on Friday, May 29, 2026. The drawings will be carried on Facebook live through QND’s page beginning at 8:00 a.m. The top three prizes and the ticket seller prize, will be drawn first and sealed away. The rest of the drawings will be consecutively drawn until all prizes are awarded.

How will the drawings be handled?

A person who does not own a ticket or share of a ticket in the drawing will make all draws. All drawings will be conducted by Schrecke and Associates, P.C. (Raffle Managers). Once entered into the raffle database, all financial and ticket information will be handled by Schrecke and Associates, P.C.

Am I guaranteed to get my ticket in the drawing?

The first 4,000 tickets sold and processed by the QND Foundation office will be entered into the drawing. If your money is submitted to the QND Foundation office after the 4,000th ticket is sold, your money will be refunded to you.

Why Might I be Excluded from the Drawing?

A purchaser would only be excluded from the drawings for two reasons:

- 1) Method of payment is declined
- 2) Ticket was not one of the first 4,000 registered in the raffle database.

When will I get my winning prize?

Prizes will be awarded after the required winner's packet is completed which will include the claim form and necessary tax documents. To claim a prize, the winner must present photo identification with the same address as on the ticket.

What if I win but did not pick up my prize?

Unclaimed prizes will be kept for thirty days. In the event a winner cannot be located within a year of the drawing, the raffle organizers will split the unclaimed prize equally between the two benefitting foundations.

How can I get a copy of the "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle Rules? Have your rules been screened legally?

You can get a copy of the Mega Raffle rules by visiting our website at QuincyMegaRaffle.org. Yes, the rules have been screened legally.

What are my personal tax liabilities?

All winners will be responsible for Federal, State, and Local taxes related to the amount of the prize(s) including the Early Bird prize.

Who do I contact if I need more tickets to sell?

You will have the option of contacting any elementary school office or the Quincy Notre Dame Foundation office.

Who do I call if I have questions?

Should you have questions, you can contact Jared Holbrook, QCES Foundation Executive Director, at (217) 779-3157 or Kurt Stuckman, QND Foundation Executive Director, at (217) 224-2598.

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