Sign-up Party FAQ

What is a “Sign-up Party”?
Simply, a Sign-up Party is an event that bidders pay a set price to attend. The people donating the party decide on the number of attendees and a price per attendee, then people at the auction purchase spots by writing their name and bidder number in a slot, until the party is full.

Do people outbid each other?
Typically, no. Once all the slots are purchased the sign-up sheet is closed.

What type of events can be Sign-up Parties?
Usually things that have a distinct theme sell best, but the truth is, just about anything can be! Some suggestions that have been successful in the past:

- Backyard movie screening with pizza and popcorn
- Cooking Workshop/Happy Hour teaching a family favorite meal
- Neighborhood “pub crawl” between Synergy family homes
- Poker night
- Themed Party (Tiki, 20’s, Bollywood, anything)
- Celebration of a Country, Region, or Foreign Holiday
- Kids Art Lesson
- Sport or Pastime Tournament
- Scavenger Hunt
- Beach Bonfire
- Group access/Parties at a rare fun location
- Anything you can imagine!

When do Sign-up Parties happen?
Any time during the calendar year after the auction. Note that it’s critical that a date is chosen for the party you’re donating and appears on the sign-up sheet at the auction. We will be coordinating as much as possible so dates don’t overlap, and you don’t want to be trying to coordinate dates with 5, 10, or 20 attendees in the future. Let them know the date before they sign up.

Does Synergy Reimburse Me for the Costs of My Event?
No. The event you host is a donation from you to the school, and counts towards your requested auction solicitation and donation. That means that if your event gets $350 worth of bids, it alone could take care of your whole requested participation.