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**McDONALD'S IS PUTTING THE FUN INTO FUNDRAISING:**

*McTeacher's Night happening March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4-8pm!*

**St. Louis, March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009** – McDonald's Restaurants, local schoolteachers and principals, and proud families are partnering up to show their support for McTeacher's Night, a unique fundraiser that has raised more than half-a-million dollars for St. Louis/Metro East area schools over the last six years. This year McDonald's Restaurants in the St. Louis/Metro East area will be participating in the first McTeacher's Night of 2009 on **Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4-8 pm.**

All school levels (elementary, middle and senior high schools) are represented on McTeacher's Night, including public, private and parochial schools. McTeacher's Night provides students and parents the opportunity to increase school pride and generate funds for their school's educational programs. "McTeacher's Night makes it easy for everyone! We raised a ton of money and all we had to do was invite family and friends to dinner," said a local St. Louis schoolteacher.

Participating McDonald's restaurants donate a percentage of sales raised on McTeacher's Night to its partner school. Since its inception in 2003, local McDonald's Restaurants have raised more than one million dollars for regional schools.

"McTeacher's Night is another great opportunity for our restaurants to get involved in their communities. It's great, the teachers love it, the crew love it, everyone is just so proud to participate in a program that gives so much to our schools," said Mike Klak, *McDonald's St. Louis/Metro East Co-op President.*

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