



# Ballplayer families, it's time to sell M's tix!



## Important information about your role in the 2024 Annual Fundraiser for Garfield Baseball and Softball

### WHY WE NEED TO RAISE MONEY:

Seattle Public Schools Athletics does NOT pay for many basic needs for our sports teams:

- Baseballs and softballs - we need dozens for practices and games.
- Field equipment - for example: portable outfield fences; tees; screens; backstop padding.
- Gear and other assistance - for any player whose family is facing financial stress.

### WHAT EACH PLAYER FAMILY IS ASKED TO DO:

Sell at least 20 tickets to the April 28th Mariners game, so that we total at least 1,000 tickets sold by April 7th deadline. BONUS: Not only do we raise money for our program, but we retain our Varsity baseball team's opportunity to play in the T-Mobile Park High School Baseball Classic the following spring!

### HOW IT WORKS:

Each player family asks friends, relatives, neighbors ... and anyone else ... to buy tickets. The purchases will be made by their prospective buyers via the online "store" on the Garfield Diamond Sports Booster Club website. In April, the Mariners will distribute e-tickets to the emails of the buyers. Once delivered, the e-tickets can be transferred freely to email addresses or mobile devices.

### THE DETAILS:

- **GAME:** Seattle Mariners vs. Arizona Diamondbacks on Sunday, April 28th at 1:10 pm
- **COST:** Two options, with prices discounted below the usual online Ticketmaster rates -
  - \$20 seats in Sections 312 - 313 — good locations in the upper deck, 1st base side
  - \$40 seats in Sections 142 - 147 — field level, 3rd base sideNote: Tickets are distributed after our April 7th sales deadline to buyers' email addresses. We will try to keep the buyers of each player family grouped together near each other.
- **HOW TO PAY — Credit Card: Buyers access player's personal ticket-purchase page at:**
  - Baseball families: <https://www.garfielddiamondsports.org/tickets.html>
  - Softball families: <https://www.garfielddiamondsports.org/tickets-softball.html>
- **HOW TO PAY — Check or Cash:** See 'Additional Information' on other side of this sheet.
- **DEADLINE: Sunday, April 7th.** We might be able to sell more M's tickets after this date, but the location is not guaranteed to be grouped with other Bulldog buyers for late sales.
- **TICKET DELIVERY: E-tickets will be distributed directly to buyers via email in mid-April.**

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR PLAYERS/FAMILIES

## THIS IS FUN!

- The M's game offers a great night of baseball for the Garfield community.
- You will be amazed at how your neighbors will support you and support Garfield sports teams.
- If we sell at least 1,000 tickets this year, Garfield will play next year in the High School Baseball Classic at T-Mobile Park. In this year's Classic, the **Varsity will play Issaquah HS on Saturday, April 6th at 2:30 pm**, with player access to the dugouts and bullpens. Free admission for fans. Please invite your family and friends to our HSBC game and tell them to wear purple to support the Bulldogs!

## DID WE MENTION THE PRIZES for players/families who do a great job selling tickets?



- Team sales incentives (Varsity, JV, C-Team):
  - **Pizza party** for team hitting team sales goal AND 100% participation among player families
  - Team sales goals: Varsity = 400 tickets, JV = 300 tickets, C-Team = 300 tickets
- Individual sales incentives (seller gets the highest of the following):
  - Top seller across baseball & softball: choice of **new bat, new glove, or \$300 M's gift card**
  - Top seller in each grade: **\$100 M's gift card**
  - First seller to sell 30 tickets: **\$50 M's gift card**
- Additionally, sales of 20+ tickets secures JV/C-Team baseball players a spot in the dugout for HSBC Varsity game!

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- **Can a buyer just write a check or give me cash for the tickets?**  
Yes! Please have them make a check out to "Garfield Diamond Sports Booster Club" and put M's ticket sales + player name in the memo line. We will have a date later this spring for the Booster Club treasurer to collect and process cash payments for M's tickets...please make note of who paid, how many tickets, and how much they paid in your collections.
- **My neighbor isn't a baseball fan, but wants to support us. What do I say?**  
A great way to financially support the Garfield Bulldogs baseball and softball teams would be to donate to the Garfield Diamond Sports Booster Club through our website: <https://www.garfielddiamondsports.org/donate>
- **Why can't a person pick their seats, like when buying directly from the Mariners?**  
Because the M's support this fundraiser, they guarantee that our seats will be in a few specific sections. The exact locations are only finalized when tickets are distributed in early April when tickets are distributed to the program.

**This fundraiser will only work if we all pitch in and participate!**  
**Think of all of the folks who might be interested in buying tickets to this event — relatives, friends, neighbors, co-workers...don't wait to start selling tickets!**

Please reach out with any questions to: [info@garfielddiamondsports.org](mailto:info@garfielddiamondsports.org)