

2023 Minds of All Kinds Frequently Asked Questions

Who is Franklin Center?

Franklin Center is a multi-service organization dedicated to supporting the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of the neurodiverse community. Our goal is to enable every neurodiverse individual to have an exceptional human experience. Visit [our website](#) for more information. Franklin is comprised of five programs:



A Minnesota school unlike any other, delivering K-12 education through personalized accommodations for neurodiverse students.



Fully licensed, comprehensive therapy for the neurodiverse, with a focus on the intersection of behavioral and mental health.



Engaging experiences outside of school where students build friendships, create connections, and develop social skills.



Summer camps for neurodiverse or sensory-sensitive students to maintain their learning, have fun, and make friends.



A post-secondary program offering a full range of life skills courses, preparing neurodiverse young adults to live and work independently with confidence.

What is Minds of All Kinds?

Minds of All Kinds (MOAK) is Franklin Center's largest fundraising event of the year. It introduces people to Franklin Center and inspires individual donors to give. This year, it is a one-hour, in person breakfast at the Golden Valley Country Club that will showcase the transformational success that happens at Franklin Center!

When and where is the event happening this year?

Our event will be in-person this year on Thursday, May 11th from 8:30-9:30 AM at the [Golden Valley Country Club](#). This timing allows the parents and caregivers of Franklin Center participants the opportunity to drop off their student or young adult at Franklin Center and drive less than five minutes down the road to attend the event.

Why does Franklin Center need to hold this event?

Tuition dollars and program fees alone do not completely cover the costs of running our organization and offering important scholarships. The money we raise at this event helps pay for our amazing teachers, therapists and staff and **provides crucial funds** for our operating expenses.

Who should I invite to this event?

Our fundraising goal for this year is to raise \$250,000! Please invite your networks (family, friends, co-workers, etc.) that can help us reach our goal. [Click here](#) for a sample email to invite your guests.

How do I RSVP? What about my guests?

Please [click here](#) (or copy and paste this link: franklinmn.org/about/blog/2023rsvp/) to RSVP for both you and your guests. You can RSVP for them, or send them the link to fill out the form for themselves. There is a section on the RSVP that allows guests to indicate who they would like to be seated with. We will do our best to seat you with your guests at the event.

What communication should I expect in the future?

There are email communications going out every two weeks leading up to the event providing program sneak peeks, event details, etc. For our parent community, we will also publish updates on the event in The Bridge newsletter.

My company may be interested in sponsoring the event or matching my donation. How does that work and who do I contact?

Contact Maureen Maher at Maureen.Maher@franklinmn.org for all sponsorship inquiries. You can also visit the [sponsor page](#) on our website for sponsor benefit information! [Click here](#) to see if your company has a matching gift program. If you work at a smaller company, check with your employer about a matching gift program.

What if I can't attend MOAK but still have guests interested in supporting Franklin Center?

You can donate at any time on our website: franklinmn.org/donate. There will be a highlight video made after the event for you to share with your networks that will be available to watch on our [Youtube page](#).

Who can I contact if I have additional questions?

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