

# You're invited to the Fair Trade Marketplace at ECS!

## What is the Fair Trade Marketplace?

The Fair Trade Marketplace is a holiday gift shop held at the ECS Intermediate School.

## When is the Fair Trade Marketplace?

Saturday, December 7, 2019 at 10am – 4pm  
Sunday, December 8, 2019 at 12 – 4pm

ECS Intermediate School Cafe  
829 Milton St., Regent Square

## Who runs the Fair Trade Marketplace?

The ECS Parent Community Organization runs the event as a fundraiser for the PCO.

## Who is it for?

The event is open to the public! We encourage all ECS families and staff to find some unique holiday gifts while supporting the PCO. Invite your friends and family!

We invite children to shop independently at the Chickadee's Nest, a separate room with a selection of gifts under \$10. Volunteers will be available to help children shop for parents, siblings, grandparents, friends and more.

## What does *fair trade* mean?

Fair trade products come from non-profit organizations and ethical businesses which prioritize people and the planet before profit. Through fair trade, artisans and farmers in developing countries are able to earn an honest living, to provide for their children, and to be gainfully employed in a job that brings dignity and joy.

## What can I buy at the Fair Trade Marketplace?

We have a wide selection of items, with something for everyone in your family: chocolate, coffee, soap, coin purses, ornaments, jewelry, scarves, hats & mittens, keychains, dresses and skirts, purses, greeting cards, baskets, kitchen utensils, bowls, journals, baby toys, puzzles, and much more from over 25 different fair trade companies.

## How can I get involved?

Volunteers are needed to help make this event successful! We are seeking cashiers for one-hour shifts (it's easy and training is provided); parents and middle-schoolers/teenagers to help children shop (adults must have clearances); bakers and cooks to donate baked goods and soups/hot foods for our lunch and bake sale; and volunteers for set up/clean up. Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/FTM2019volunteer>

Even if you don't want to volunteer: **please tell your friends!** Word of mouth is one of the best ways you can help us publicize this ECS fundraiser. If you're on Facebook, share our FB event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/414374579234654/>

## Find more info and pictures online:

<http://ecspco.org/fair-trade-marketplace-at-ecs/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/FairTradeMarketplace>

**For more info, contact:** [marketplace@ecspco.org](mailto:marketplace@ecspco.org)

*With its attention to environmentalism and equality, fair trade shopping demonstrates not only true ECS school spirit, but also holiday spirit -- no matter which winter holiday you're celebrating!*

