



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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#### **Mary's Pizza Shack**

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## **MARY'S PIZZA SHACK DELIVERS OVER 50,000 PIZZA GIFT CERTIFICATES**

### ***Popular Family-owned Restaurant Continues Support for Local Schools***

Sonoma, CA – September 4, 2019 – Mary's Pizza Shack, the family-owned casual dining Italian restaurant, announced that they are donating 50,000 gift certificates, good for a free Bambino-sized pizza, to local schools. Over 115 schools across thirteen communities will receive these popular certificates, good for a free kid's pizza or \$5 off a kid's meal.

"As part of Mary's original commitment to the community over sixty years ago, Mary's Pizza Shack donates each year to area schools," said Vince Albano, Mary's Grandson and CEO of Mary's Pizza Shack. "We believe it is important to help local schools and non-profit organizations, and we will always continue to support our local students."

Mary's Pizza Shack has a long track record of community relations. Mary's has been giving tours to both students and teachers for several years, providing both fun and educational experiences. The guided tour program gives students and adults a close-up view of a working restaurant, including food preparation, safety, sanitation - and of course pizza eating!

In addition to the tours and pizza certificates, Mary's Pizza Shack also supports school fundraisers by offering local schools \$12 large one-topping pizzas. Schools and teachers can order these discounted pizzas for class parties or the pizzas can be resold by the slice at school events as a fundraiser. In addition, Mary's Pizza Shack offers a lunch program, giving a 20% discount on pasta and salad trays for schools that schedule ongoing orders as a lunch program for their students.

Mary's Pizza Shack provides fundraising programs to schools and non-profit organizations by offering Dine & Donate, an opportunity for the organization to host an event and Mary's Pizza Shack gives 20% of the sales from a specified night back to the organization. More than 400 Northern California organizations have participated in the program so far this year.

### **About Mary's Pizza Shack**

Mary's Pizza Shack, founded in 1959 by Mary Fazio, is famous for its homemade Italian comfort food at reasonable prices served in a caring, passionate, casual and fun atmosphere. From the first single "shack" opened sixty years ago, Mary's Pizza Shack has grown to seventeen full-service casual Italian restaurants in Sonoma, Napa, Solano, Marin and Shasta Counties. Today, everything is still made from scratch using the original recipes from the original shack. Mary's Pizza Shack serves the same homemade pasta sauces, pizza, soups, salad dressings, and meatballs and carries on the same quality food, passion and traditions just like it was in 1959. Mary's Pizza Shack is a family owned business operated by the third generation of Mary Fazio located in Sonoma, California.

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