What is Party with a Purpose?
Party with a Purpose is a meaningful way to support the Mailman Segal Institute’s early learning programs. Have fun entertaining while you invite party guests to make a tax-deductible contribution to the Mailman Segal Institute (MSI). Gifts may be designated to MSI’s Programs for Children with Autism, MSI’s Early Learning Programs’ Scholarship Fund, or MSI’s Greatest Needs. You decide! Your gift to the children and families of MSI is hosting the party. You can host the party alone; share it with your friends, family or business associates; or ask your favorite restaurant to support you and have it at their venue.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is there a suggested donation amount?
As your guests will want to know how much to give, it is suggested that you predetermine the minimal amount of a gift for each person attending your party. There is no restriction on the size of the gift. Please remind your guests that their donation will directly benefit MSI’s early learning programs.

Money raised can help provide tuition assistance, fund evaluations for the diagnosis and assessment of autism, send teachers to educational conferences or support MSI’s areas of greatest need.

Are the donations tax deductible?
Yes, your guests’ charitable contributions are tax deductible to the full extent of the law. The Mailman Segal Institute is part of Nova Southeastern University, a not-for-profit 501c (3) organization. All checks should be made payable directly to Nova Southeastern University.

How do my guests receive their tax records?
Within three weeks of receiving the donation, the Mailman Segal Institute’s Development Office will send each of your guests written acknowledgment of their gift for their tax records along with our sincere thanks for their generosity.

Are the costs incurred from hosting the party tax deductible?
Everyone’s Party with a Purpose will be different and the amount of money you choose to spend will depend on the type of event you host. If you spend $250 or more in expenses to host your party, the Mailman Segal Institute will provide you written acknowledgement substantiating your contribution. Your gift is tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

What type of theme party can I have?
The type of party you host is entirely up to you. If you need some inspiration, here are some suggestions:

- Anniversary
- Bar/Bat Mitzvah
- Beach
- Birthday
- Block
- Brunch
- Clam Bake
- Cookout
- Costume
- Decadent Desserts
- Dinner
- Elegant H’or Dourves and Cocktails Party
- Gourmet Pot Luck
- Holiday Gathering
- Mardi Gras
- New Year’s Eve
- Picnic
- Poker
- Pool
- Seafood
- Super Bowl
- Sushi
- Tailgate
- Thanksgiving Celebration
- Wine Tasting

Hosting a Party with a Purpose is this easy:
Pick a date for your party. Set a fundraising goal. Register with MSI. Have fun!

How do I register to have a Party With A Purpose?
Just call our development office at (954) 262-7162 or register online at www.nova.edu/msi/giving.

On behalf of the children, families, and staff members of the Mailman Segal Institute, a heartfelt thanks to you and your friends.