

## **PLINKO Fundraiser Rules**

### **Hosted by the Cherokee County Educational Foundation**

#### **Event Overview:**

This PLINKO Fundraiser is organized to raise funds for the students and staff of the Cherokee County School District. Proceeds from the event will be used to provide grants for schools, grants for teachers and other staff, grants for students for academic and after-school/extra-curricular programs and provide support for specific Cherokee County School District initiatives.

#### **Eligibility:**

- This event is open to ages eighteen (18) or older.
- Participants must agree to abide by the rules and regulations outlined herein.

#### **Participation and Tickets:**

- To participate in the PLINKO event, individuals must purchase a ticket.
- Tickets can be purchased for \$100 each from the CCEF Gala Attendee landing page, from the qr code on your program.
- There is no limit to the number of tickets that may be purchased by an individual.
- Tickets are non-refundable and non-transferable once purchased.

- Only one winner will be drawn and allowed to play PLINKO.
- The drawn winner must be present in the ballroom of the event space at the time of the drawing or able to make it to the ballroom within two (2) minutes.
- All guests and attendees who purchase a ticket to participate in the PLINKO event are eligible to win the contest including but not limited to employees of any event sponsor, employees of the Cherokee County School District, and employees or Board Members of the Cherokee County Educational Foundation.

### **Money Machine Rules:**

1. **Entry:** The PLINKO event will be available for use by one eligible participant on March 7, 2026 at the Celebration of Education Gala. The winner is allowed up to 5 chances to drop tokens for winning the amount that is listed in the corresponding slot.
2. **Drawing:** The Drawing will be conducted via electronic software operated by Rally Up and announced during the Celebration of Education Gala.
3. **Prize Money/Prizes:** The money in the PLINKO game will be awarded via a check made payable to the winner and player of PLINKO.
4. **Limits on Winning:** The total prize value is capped at \$10,000.
5. **Conduct of Participants:**

- Only one person is allowed to play PLINKO.
- The drawn winner must follow all instructions provided by event staff to ensure safety and proper operation of the PLINKO game including but not limited to:
  1. The drawn winner will come to the main stage to play the PLINKO game.
  2. The machine will be plugged in for light and sounds during play.
  3. The drawn winner may not make any aggressive movements that could damage the PLINKO game or cause injury to the event staff. If so, the drawn winner will be held liable for any and all repairs and be immediately disqualified.
- Any violation of the rules, including disruptive behavior or attempting to manipulate the game, will result in immediate disqualification from the event with no refund.
- The event organizers reserve the right to deny entry or remove participants for safety concerns or misconduct.

### **Winnings:**

- The PLINKO game player will be issued a check from CCEF for the amount of winnings, up to \$10,000.

- The drawn winner will be issued an Internal Revenue Service Form 1099 by Cherokee County Educational Foundation

### **Additional Terms and Conditions:**

- By purchasing a ticket, participants agree to the PLINKO Fundraiser Rules and accept the risk of participation.
- Winnings become the responsibility of the recipient as soon as result are verified.
- The event organizers are not responsible for lost or stolen winnings.

### **Use of Funds:**

- Proceeds from the PLINKO game fundraiser will directly support the students and staff of the Cherokee County School District.
- A portion of the funds raised will go toward covering event costs, including equipment and any related fees.

### **Liability and Insurance:**

- The Cherokee County Educational Foundation is not responsible for any accidents or injuries that may occur during participation. All participants agree to release the Cherokee County Educational Foundation from any liability before playing the PLINKO game.
- Liability insurance for the event will be maintained.

## **Compliance with Local and State Laws:**

- This fundraiser is in compliance with all local, state, and federal laws, including those related to charitable solicitation and fundraising.
- A raffle or gambling license has been obtained from the appropriate authority.

## **Tax Deductibility:**

- Donations made for participation in this fundraiser may be tax-deductible. Please consult a tax advisor for specific details regarding your donation.

## **Refunds and Cancellations:**

- All donations are non-refundable. If the event is canceled for any reason, participants will be notified, and an alternative fundraising activity may be scheduled.

## **Changes to Rules:**

- Cherokee County Educational Foundation reserves the right to modify or change these rules at any time. Any changes will be posted in advance, and all participants will be informed.

## **Dispute Resolution:**

- Any disputes or concerns regarding the event will be handled by the representative of Mauldin and Jenkins and resolved in a fair and equitable manner.
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### **Acknowledgments:**

By participating in the PLINKO game Fundraiser, participants agree to these rules and the event's terms and conditions. The Cherokee County Educational Founds thanks you for your support in raising funds.