QUEEN OF HEARTS -- 50/50 RAFFLE RULES OF THE GAME

St. Mary School

“The Queen of Hearts” is a progressive raffle.

- The first drawing will be Tuesday, November 10, 2026 @ 7:00 PM at Lavergnes. Only 1 ticket will be drawn each week.
- The winner need not be present.
- Tickets are 6 for $5, 12 for $10 and 24 for $20 and you can buy as many as you wish. Tickets can be purchased on Wednesdays after the drawing up to the time of the next drawing.
- All players must be 21 years of age.
- There are 54 playing cards including two jokers that are placed face down on a mounting board purchased from a certified gaming company.
- The cards are numbered one (1) through fifty-four (54) and are sealed to the board.
- Once the ticket is pulled showing the card number is selected, it will be opened on the board. If the Queen of Hearts is not selected the game will rollover to the next week. After the drawing, all tickets for that week’s drawing will be destroyed.
- There can be only one name per ticket, telephone number AND the number of the available card you're requesting.
- All tickets must be filled out with a pen or ink stamp with name and phone number required, Initials are not accepted. Adhesive labels are not accepted, if a ticket is pulled with an adhesive label or initials it will be disqualified, and the jackpot will rollover.
- If there are any resulting conflicts, the registered owner of the listed phone number will be declared the winner.
- There will only be payouts made to a single winner.
- If a person does not put a number on their ticket, the ticket will be thrown out and there will be an automatic rollover, no award money will be distributed.
- If a ticket is pulled and it has a number that has already been taken, the ticket will be thrown out and there will be an automatic rollover. No award money will be distributed.
- No Name or Number will be announced until legibility is confirmed. If the number is unclear, an attempt to call the listed phone number will be made. The Caller must confirm their name and the number they played; a second committee member will confirm the clarification of the number. No award money will be distributed.
- Should a Joker be pulled this an automatic kill card, and the board is reset and the pot rolls over, a new board will be started and the next board will go until the Queen of Hearts is pulled.
- The total prize pool will continue to accumulate weekly until the QUEEN OF HEARTS is drawn. The jackpot amount, based on ticket sales, will be updated, and displayed at Lavergnes. Updates will also be posted on Facebook. A projected amount will be posted on Lavergne's board and on the weekly forms used for reference.
- The cap for this raffle will be a $2,000,000.00 pot, with a maximum payout of $1,000,000.00 going to the winner.
- All winnings over $600 are subject to taxes being removed.

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- The ticket holder who selects the Queen of Hearts is the Grand Prize Winner and will be paid 60% of the pot if present and 50% if not present. The other 40% or 50% will go to St. Mary School.
- If a prize of greater than $600 is awarded, the winner will need to confirm their identity and SSN number by completing and signing an IRS Form W-2G. In addition, the IRS requires a withholding of 28% of the winnings less the amount of the wager. Winnings will not be distributed until the W-2G has been completed and signed. If a player is unwilling or unable to provide any of the listed items, the prize money will revert to St. Mary School. This may take up to two weeks.
- A winner cannot donate the prize without first taking ownership of the prize, which means the appropriate W-2G must be issued and the appropriate withholding taken. If a winner wants to donate their prize, he/she can do so.
- Tickets will be available for purchase at The Parish Office and the School Office during regular business hours and Lavergnes Wednesday through Monday from 11am to close. On Tuesday, after the school and parish offices close, tickets will be available until 6:30 pm at Lavergne's Tavern only. Tickets must be placed in the drum by 6:30 pm. Tickets for next week's drawing will not be available for purchase until the following Wednesday.
- All payouts will be paid the 1st Friday after the Tuesday drawing via a check, pick up will be at the Parish Office. If you do not agree with the rules of this game at this venue, there is no obligation to play.

Weekly Payouts

- Find a non-Face Card, 2-10 and win 24 tickets for the following week's drawing.
- Find an Ace, King or a Jack and win $100.00
- Find the Queen of Spades, Clubs, or Diamonds and win $150.00
- Find a Joker and win $250.00 (This resets the Board)

The Queen of Heart's Committee reserves the right to amend these rules as needed prior to any week's drawing. The Committee also retains the right to change the date and/or time of the drawing as needed.