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Auburn school plans Healing Field display

St. Joseph School in Auburn is selling American flags, which will be displayed in Hoopes Park May 27-31 as part of the Healing Field program run by the Colonial Flag Foundation. Organizers hope to sell and fly enough flags to represent the 2,998 individuals who were killed Sept. 11, 2001.

The school sponsored a similar event last year, when it sold 1,200 flags and erected them in Hoopes Park during Memorial Day weekend. The event raised money for the school while at the same time giving community members a unique way to honor veterans and loved ones. This year, the City of Auburn is sponsoring a similar event in September to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the 2001 terror attacks, and all those who purchase flags for the May Healing Field event also may fly them at the September event, said Cheryl Foster, Healing Field coordinator.

Each flag measures 3 feet by 5 feet and will fly on an 8-foot pole, and may be purchased for \$36. Flags must be ordered by the first week of May, and Foster said she encourages those interested to place their orders as soon as possible. Last year many people waited too long to order and were unable to purchase flags, she said.

To purchase a flag or learn more about the event, contact St. Joseph School at 315-253-8327 or Cheryl Foster at 315-253-3174, or visit <http://schools.dor.org/stjoauburn/>.

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