

September 2009 Press Release

Pleasanton Partnerships in Education (PPIE) Foundation welcomes students, parents and staff back to what is sure to be another great year of learning and exploration. PPIE programs and activities have already begun! Here are the latest updates:

- ❖ PPIE Foundation Student Grant Applications are now being accepted for the first cycle of funding. Funding is available in amounts up to \$500 per project /per year for extracurricular or co-curricular PUSD student projects. All applications must be authored by a student. Teachers and parents have an advisory role only. See the application packet for complete details. Application packets may be obtained from the PPIE Foundation website, www.ppie.org. Application deadline for cycle #1 is October 13, 2009. Contact PPIE office at 846-5620 if you have any questions.
- ❖ Tickets now on sale for ***“Bon Appetit – Toasts and Tastes of Fall”*** October 17th, 6:30-10:30pm at the CarrAmerica Conference Center in Pleasanton. This festive cocktail party will feature fifteen groups, each consisting of a corporate/community sponsor, Walnut Grove’s own Dr. Young, and a local Bay Area Chef partnered to form teams. Each team will be offering their signature culinary sample. The evening also offers exquisite paired wines, martini bar, live entertainment, and a drawing for some incredible prizes. Come support Walnut Grove and Dr. Young!!! There will be a cash prize awarded to the Parent Club at the school site that sells the most tickets! To purchase tickets (\$60 each), please contact your PPIE Ambassador, Betsy Belleville at betsybelleville@yahoo.com, 485-3038 or by visiting www.ppie.org, or contact the PPIE office at 846-5620. Proceeds will assist in funding programs PPIE facilitates at various school sites to fill grants submitted by students and teachers of the Pleasanton Unified School District. Last year, Bon Appetit raised over \$80,000 for our schools. Walnut Grove was the recipient of three grants totaling over \$2000!!!