



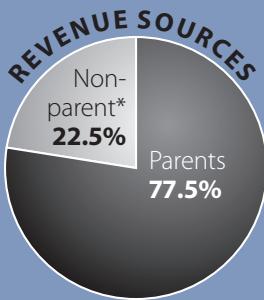
Investing in Bright Futures

Palo Alto Partners in Education Annual Report to the Community: **2008-2009**



Our economic challenges heighten the importance of quality education for our children. Public education is, at its core, a community-building act. Through our collective efforts, we give all of our students the best opportunities possible. I hope that you will support PiE at the highest level you can.

— Dr. Kevin Skelly, PAUSD Superintendent



*Non-parent sources include: foundations, corporations, community, etc.

OPERATING EXPENSES WERE 7.3% OF REVENUE FOR THE 2008-09 FISCAL YEAR

2008-2009 Revenue	2008-2009 Expenses
Parents \$2,237,728	<i>Program Expenses</i>
Foundations \$278,350	School Donations \$2,570,000
Corporate Matching Gifts \$188,193	Teacher Grants \$67,670
Community Campaign \$45,059	<i>Total Program Expenses</i> \$2,637,670
PiE Events/Corporate Campaign \$29,943	<i>Operating Expenses</i>
Palo Alto Black & White Ball \$33,500	Development \$101,423
Realtor Campaign \$38,745	Marketing & Communications \$16,586
Other Income (interest, escrip) \$34,958	Events \$6,526
Total Revenue \$2,886,476	Administrative \$85,117
	<i>Total Operating Expenses</i> \$209,652
	Total Expenses \$2,847,322

PIE MISSION STATEMENT

PiE is committed to educational excellence for every student in the Palo Alto Unified School District (PAUSD).

We work in partnership with parents, PAUSD, and the community to raise funds for an education beyond what is possible with public dollars – strengthening our students' K-12 experience by supporting staff and innovative projects.

Dear Parents, Educators, and Community Members,

Even in a community rich in diversity like ours, we can all agree on one thing: investing in our children now will provide incalculable returns in the future for our families and our greater community. Thanks to your generosity, even in a difficult economic climate, **PiE granted \$2.57 million to PAUSD this year.** In addition, this year we provided nearly \$70,000 in teacher grants for innovative programs.

PiE remains the only non-profit organization devoted exclusively to raising money for all PAUSD schools, and the only one whose contributions can pay for additional and much needed PAUSD teachers and staff. Due in large part to dedicated volunteers, PiE's operating expenses continue to be extremely low, allowing over 92% of donations to go directly to the schools.

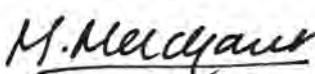
Investment in our children's future comes from the greater community, as well. For each \$1 donated by parents, 29 cents was donated by the broader community through realtor and community campaigns, corporate matching gifts, and sponsorships at events like the May Fete Town Fair, the Palo Alto Black and White Ball, and the Italian Street Painting Festival.

This year, we will build on major steps we've taken to further develop our education foundation. We're pleased to announce the PiE Advisory Council—comprised of community members with a wealth of experience in business, education, and fundraising—to help guide our campaign plans, and extend our community reach. We also completed our second strategic plan, further aligning our efforts with the PAUSD strategic plans and priorities, and incorporating best practices of education foundations statewide.

Thank you for your continued support for Palo Alto Partners in Education. As we enter our fifth year as your education foundation, we face an uncertain budgetary future in the state of California, making your PiE donation even more critical. With your help, we can keep investing in every student in PAUSD, yielding valuable dividends for our greater community.



Lois Garland, President

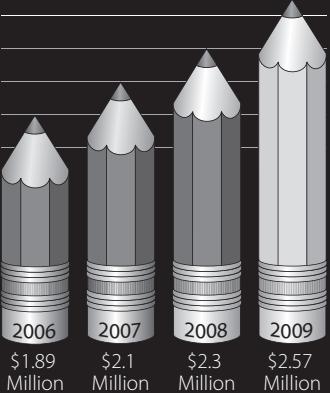


Muneerah Merchant, Executive Director



PiE conducts Middle School and High School tours each fall and spring.

PiE Donations



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In Elementary Schools, PiE funds:



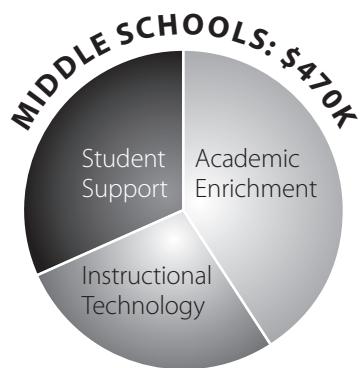
Classroom support: aides, assistants, reading and math specialists, and teacher coaches who support and enrich all students' learning.

Science Enrichment: programs and specialists who help science "come alive" for students through hands-on units.

Arts Instruction: trained staff who teach Spectra Art and comparable creative arts.

"PiE is a tremendous support for our children and programs. Each child is touched by PiE through art instruction, science enrichment, and classroom aide support."

— Michael O'Neill, Principal,
Juana Briones Elementary School



100% of PiE middle school funds are used for staffing.

In High Schools, PiE funds:

"It's unusual for a public school in California to have a certificated college advisor. The job description is not common elsewhere. It's not typically built into school district funding."

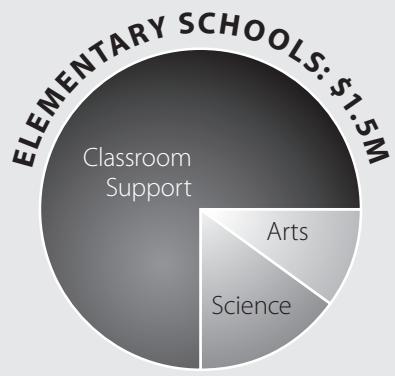
— Sandra Cernobori,
Certificated College Advisor,
Palo Alto High School

College and Career Counseling: staffing to support advising and resource programs which help all students plan wisely for the future.



Career/Technology Education: additional courses in engineering, media technology and performing arts.

Instructional Technology: mentors who assist teachers in applying technology to curriculum that enhances student learning.



PiE funds represent nearly 50% of the principals' discretionary budgets for elementary schools.



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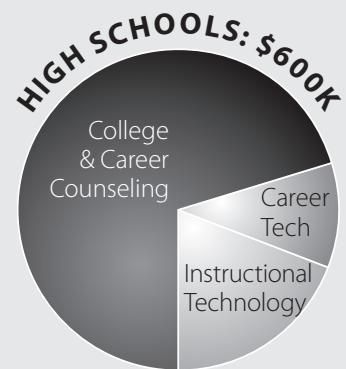
Academic Enrichment: additional courses and classroom support in video production, creative writing, music and biotechnology.

Student Support: programs which address 6th and 8th grade transitions; academic guidance and support; and character development.

Instructional Technology: mentors who assist teachers in applying technology to curriculum that enhances student learning.

"PiE allows Jordan to do so much more than the typical middle school. PiE funds allow us to fulfill the promise of new educational technologies with a technology mentor, support students with teaming structures and additional counseling during this critical transition to high school, and offer a rich array of electives including broadcast journalism, biotechnology, and performing arts. Thank you PiE!"

— Michael Milliken, Principal, Jordan Middle School



At the high schools, 70% of PiE funds are devoted to College and Career Counseling.



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Julie Williams
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students at Gunn and Paly

**Italian Street
Painting Festival**

Chair: Cindy Ziebelman
Key Volunteers: Mary
Haverstock, Sharon Wagner,
PIE Board Members, PIE Reps
and High School Volunteers
who helped during the event

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May Fete Town Fair

Hazel Watson (chair)
Bruce Gee
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