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### PLEASANTON PARTNERSHIPS IN EDUCATION FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2016-2017 GIVING FUND CAMPAIGN RESULTS

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The Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation (PPIE) is pleased to announce the results of their Annual Giving Fund Campaign, which culminated at the 4th Annual Run for Education on April 17, 2016.

This past Tuesday, PPIE Executive Director Susan Hayes and members of the Board of Directors presented the Pleasanton Unified School District with a donation in the amount of **\$570,000**.

Hayes recognized not only the support of the corporate, community and education partners, but also their partnership with the parents. "This year, our parents contributed \$470,223.00 to the Giving Fund," she said. "Their generosity, illustrated by hundreds of hours of volunteer time and donations at their sites and at PPIE, underscores their commitment to participating in the education of all our students in a meaningful way."

In addition to direct donations to the Giving Fund, which includes funds from parents and employer matching funds, this donation includes proceeds from the foundation's two major fundraising events: First Annual Benefit Concert at the Firehouse Arts Center and the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Pleasanton Run for Education.

"We continue to be humbled by the generosity of our families, teachers, partners, and companies as we all strive to deliver against our mutual goal of excellence in education," said Board President Bob Miller. "From the Giving Fund to the PPIE Run for Education and everything in between, we accomplished so much this year and we did it together!"

The funds from this donation will be used in the 2016-2017 school year as follows:

\$360,000 to fund four district-wide instructional coaching positions;

\$60,000 to benefit the Elementary level's 5<sup>th</sup> grade band and strings program;

\$150,000 to support technology needs at the three middle schools, two comprehensive high schools, Village High School, the Harvest Park Pre-School and the new STEAM preschool.

Interim Superintendent Jim Hansen recognized PPIE during the meeting. "I am incredibly grateful to PPIE for all of their hard work and dedication to raise needed funds on behalf of all students in the Pleasanton Unified School District," Hansen said. "Through their commitment and the generosity of our community, our schools and students benefit greatly through enhanced opportunities to grow and learn."

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**About PPIE:** *Pleasanton Partnerships in Education Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that has worked since 1987 to enhance learning experiences for students of the Pleasanton Unified School District through a partnership of businesses, schools and the community. For more information about PPIE, log onto [www.ppie.org](http://www.ppie.org) or contact [mail@ppie.org](mailto:mail@ppie.org).*