



The Child Educational Center's 19th Annual Benefit & Auction Saturday, June 14, 2008

For the past 18 years, the Child Educational Center (CEC) has held an annual Benefit and Auction. Last year, with over 300 guests in attendance, the CEC raised more than \$53,000 for the children and families in our care. Thanks to the hard work of CEC staff, parents, alumni, and the overwhelming generosity of our sponsors, we were able to underwrite the majority of the expenses associated with the event allowing the proceeds from the benefit to go directly to support the Center's children.

This year's Wine Tasting Benefit and Auction will be held on June 14, 2008, once again at the beautiful Avery House on the Caltech campus. This event is CEC's biggest community fundraiser and we have set an ambitious underwriting plan in order to make it our most successful event to date. We hope that you will support the CEC with a sponsorship for this important event. No amount is too small! We are grateful for any contribution you are able to make and we know that the children, families, and communities we support feel the same.

The CEC, founded in 1979, is a non-profit educational organization, operating as a model site for early care and education, including parent education, consulting, and teacher training services. The CEC currently serves close to 800 children at six sites and helps thousands more children throughout the region with significant outreach programs. Its direct service includes full-day programs for children six weeks to five years old and before- and after-care for children K through 6th grade. It also provides full-day summer enrichment programs. The CEC has been accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children since 1988 and is one of the largest nationally accredited infant-toddler programs in Southern California. Its school-age sites are also accredited by the National After-school Association, which entails passing a rigorous assessment of 144 standards that promote positive outcomes for children and youth. For more information, visit our website at www.ceconline.org.

