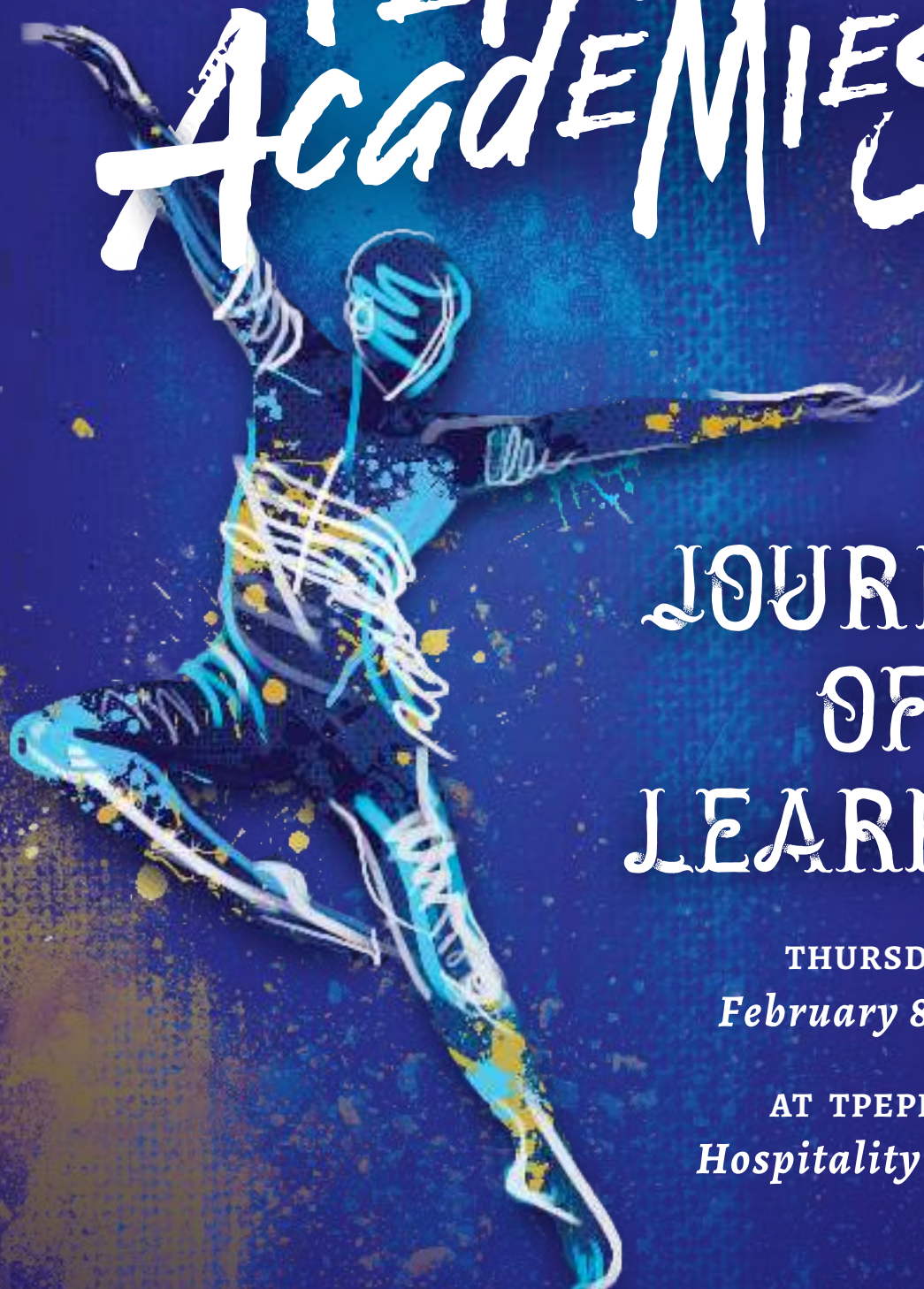


PEPIN ACADEMIES GALA *and* SILENT AUCTION



CIRQUE DU  
PEPIN  
Academies



JOURNEY  
OF  
LEARNING

THURSDAY

*February 8, 2018*

AT TPEPIN'S  
*Hospitality Centre*



## HOSTS

Tom and Lauren Pepin

## EVENT CHAIRS

Guy and Debbie King

## PARENT CO-CHAIRS

Jacqueline Bidanec

Dawn Cooley

Jim Dawson

DeLynn Gaston

JoAnna Stricklin

## WHEN AND WHERE?

The 17<sup>th</sup> annual Pepin Academies Gala will be held on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at TPepin's Hospitality Centre in Tampa at 7:00 pm. The Pre-Gala reception begins at 5:30 pm.

## WHAT IS THE PEPIN ACADEMIES GALA?

The Gala is the Foundation's signature annual fundraising event and brings together corporate and community friends of Pepin Academies to raise awareness and financial support for the vital work of our schools.

## SILENT AUCTION

Enjoy a silent auction with exciting items and bid right from your phone. You'll never miss an opportunity to get your best bid in! Bidding will begin on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 and conclude just before the end of the event.

## WHY WE NEED YOUR HELP

Your support of Pepin Academies is an investment in the lives of children and young adults with learning and learning-related disabilities. Your support allows us to fulfill our mission and continue to provide current and future students with educational, social and career opportunities.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

Please call or email Holly Lisle, Director of Development at 863-397-5859 (cell) or [hlisle@theacademies.us](mailto:hlisle@theacademies.us)

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# ABOUT THE 2018 PEPIN ACADEMIES GALA



PEPIN ACADEMIES FOUNDATION  
WHERE BELONGING LEADS TO LEARNING

Dear Friends of Pepin Academies,

We are excited to host the 2018 Pepin Academies Gala and would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your faithful investment in our students, faculty and staff! This is the 17th year that our family has hosted this signature fundraising event and we are continually amazed each year by our students' accomplishments and our faculty's dedication and excellence. We are proud to have been a part of our students' journey through Pepin Academies from the very beginning.

Our core belief is that students with learning differences can be completely proficient in classes, go on to post-secondary education or work-training and follow their career goals. Given patience, the proper tools, curriculum and highly trained teachers who provide them with the learning techniques to succeed, our students will continue their journey to success in life and in their careers.

We would like to take this opportunity to ask you to consider sponsoring the Gala on Thursday, February 8, 2018. Thanks to the generosity of community and business leaders like you, this annual event continues to provide vital funds to help our students succeed academically and socially in school, as well as independently in the community and workplace.

Please join with us to celebrate our students and their accomplishments.



Your Friends,

Tom and Lauren Pepin

Dear Pepin Academies Family and Friends,

We are proud to serve as chairs for the 2018 Cirque du Pepin Academies Gala: Journey of Learning to be held on Thursday, February 8, 2018. We have been supporters and advocates of Pepin Academies for many years and are thrilled to have the honor of helping Pepin Academies raise vital funds through this signature fundraising event. We are hosting a special pre-gala reception at our home on Friday, February 2, 2018 for sponsors of \$5,000 and up and we hope to see you there.

Pepin Academies provides a vital resource to our community by providing a safe and nurturing environment for students who need more resources than what the traditional classroom environment can provide. Our students are smart, witty, talented and wonderful people who happen to learn differently. Pepin Academies provides them with opportunities to enjoy all of the academics, programs, social clubs, athletics and other school activities found in traditional programs but in an environment where they are among peers and free to be themselves.

Please consider supporting the Gala this year and join our students' incredible journey to success through Pepin Academies.



Sincerely Yours,

Guy and Debbie King

## WHAT MAKES PEPIN ACADEMIES UNIQUE?

At Pepin Academies, the approach is not only all about the child, but the whole child – mind, body and soul. We offer a nurturing “whole” child atmosphere that focuses on improving academics and social achievement.

For students who qualify, therapy is provided, at no cost, with access to social workers, mental health counselors, occupational therapists, physical therapists, sensory integration, and speech language programs.



“I have a lot of friends, and it’s like a whole new world opening up for me.”

– TAYLOR  
Student

“The first time my son ever got invited to a birthday party was at Pepin.”

– MICHELLE  
Parent

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LEADS TO LEARNING”

## SPONSORSHIP LEVELS



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### PRESENTING SPONSOR: \$30,000

#### *Exclusive Benefits:*

Presenting sponsor for the 2018 Pepin Academies Gala on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at TPepin’s Hospitality Centre and

- Presenting sponsor for the 2018 Puttin’ for Pepin Golf Tournament on February 10, 2018 at Saddlebrook Resort Tampa and the 2018 Catchin’ for Pepin catch and release fishing tournament on April 29, 2018 in Pasco county at Catches Waterfront Bar & Grill

#### **Special Benefits for the Pepin Academies Gala, February 8, 2018:**

- **Special seating and admission for up to 30 guests for Gala reception and program**
- **Admission for 6 to private pre-Gala reception at the home of Guy and Debbie King on Friday, February 2, 2018 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.**
- Step & Repeat Photo Wall with presenting sponsor’s exclusive logo
- Opportunity to participate in program
- Corporate display in premier location at Gala reception and opportunity to provide guests with promotional items
- Article about company and sponsorship post-Gala on Foundation website and in newsletter
- \$2,500 one-time named scholarship for a graduating Pepin Academies senior with opportunity to present scholarship to student at graduation or other designated event

#### **Special Benefits for Puttin’ for Pepin, February 10, 2018:**

(Value: \$5,000)

- The presenting sponsor will receive all promotional benefits listed for the Gala as well as hole signage on four holes, promotional tent, opportunity to participate in the awards banquet, two foursomes with entrance for guests to all contests, and Step and Repeat Photo Wall with exclusive corporate logo.

#### **Special Benefits for Catchin’ for Pepin, April 29, 2018:**

(Value: \$5,000)

- The presenting sponsor will receive all promotional benefits listed for the Gala as well as two guided chartered entries, opportunity to participate in the program at the awards celebration, and Step and Repeat Photo Wall with exclusive corporate logo.

#### **Promotional Benefits:**

- Logo and company name on all printed and electronic promotion for Gala, Puttin’ for Pepin and Catchin’ for Pepin
- Company logo with link back to corporate homepage on Pepin Academies Foundation website and school website, as well as all social media sites
- Full page recognition on inside front cover of printed program for Gala (sponsorship must be received by 1/19/18 to be included in print material)





"These kids can do so many things, and they have so much to offer."

– **CRAIG BUTZ**  
Pepin Academies Hillsborough  
Executive Director

"I've had phenomenal teachers who are always happy to help me."

– **ANNA**  
Student



"After you're here for just a short time, they take a piece of your heart."

– **TERRI PHILLIPS**  
Teacher

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LEADS TO LEARNING"

## PREMIER SPONSOR: \$20,000

### *Semi-Exclusive Benefits (One sponsor per industry):*

Premier sponsor for the 2018 Pepin Academies Gala on February 8 2018, at TPepin's Hospitality Centre and

- Premier sponsor for the 2018 Puttin' for Pepin Golf Tournament on February 10, 2018 at Saddlebrook Resort Tampa and the 2018 Catchin' for Pepin catch and release fishing tournament on April 29, 2018 at Catches Waterfront Bar & Grill

### **Special Benefits for the Pepin Academies Gala, February 8, 2018:**

- **Priority seating and admission for up to 24 guests for Gala reception and program**
- **Admission for 4 to private pre-Gala reception at the home of Guy and Debbie King on Friday, February 2, 2018 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.**
- Special recognition during Gala program
- Corporate display in prominent location at Gala reception and in ballroom
- \$1,250 one-time named scholarship for a graduating Pepin Academies senior with opportunity to present scholarship to student at graduation or other designated event

### **Special Benefits for Puttin' for Pepin, February 10, 2018:**

(Value: \$2,000)

- The premier sponsor will receive all promotional benefits listed for the Gala as well as hole signage, corporate display table at reception, recognition at the awards banquet, and golf package with entrance for guests to all contests.

### **Special Benefits for Catchin' for Pepin, April 29, 2018:**

(Value: \$2,000)

- The premier sponsor will receive all promotional benefits listed for the Gala as well as one guided chartered entry and recognition at the Captain's Dinner and Awards Celebration.

### **Promotional Benefits:**

- Recognition as Premier Sponsor for Gala, Puttin' for Pepin and Catchin' for Pepin
- Logo and company name on all printed and electronic promotion for Gala, Puttin' for Pepin and Catchin' for Pepin, as well as all social media sites
- Corporate/individual recognition on inside back cover of printed program for Gala (**sponsorship must be received by 1/19/18 to be included in print material**)

## JOURNEY OF LEARNING SPONSOR: \$15,000

### **Benefits:**

- **Reserved tables/seating for up to 16 guests to Gala reception and program**
- **Admission for two to private pre-Gala reception at the home of Guy and Debbie King on Friday, February 2, 2018 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.**
- Recognition during Gala program
- Corporate/individual recognition on printed and electronic promotional material, as well as all social media sites
- \$500 one-time scholarship for a graduating senior with opportunity to present to a student at graduation or other designated event



## OUR MISSION

To create a high intensity, low threat therapeutic learning community that celebrates the gifts of every student. We strive to break the destructive cycle of learned helplessness by finding their academic strengths and abilities, and making social skills a top priority.



"Pepin Academies has helped me, not only with my academics, but with my social skills as well. I can now look people in the eye when I talk to them."

– NICHOLAS  
Student

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## ODYSSEY SPONSOR: \$10,000

### Benefits:

- **Reserved tables/seating for up to 16 guests to Gala reception and program**
- **Admission for two to private pre-Gala reception at the home of Guy and Debbie King on Friday, February 2, 2018 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.**
- Recognition during Gala program
- Corporate/individual recognition on printed and electronic promotional material, as well as all social media sites
- \$250 one-time scholarship for a graduating senior with opportunity to present to student at senior awards ceremony or other designated event

## QUEST SPONSOR: \$5,000

### Benefits:

- **Reserved tables/seating for up to 16 guests to Gala reception and program**
- **Admission for two to private pre-Gala reception at the home of Guy and Debbie King on Friday, February 2, 2018 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.**
- Recognition during Gala program
- Corporate/individual recognition on printed and electronic promotional material, as well as all social media sites

## GALA AND GOLF SPONSOR: \$3,000

### Gala Benefits: Voyage Sponsor

- **Reserved tables/seating for up to 8 guests to Gala reception and program**
- Recognition during Gala program
- Corporate/individual recognition on printed and electronic promotional material

### Golf Benefits: Birdie Sponsor for Puttin' for Pepin, February 10, 2018 at Saddleback Resort Tampa:

- One foursome (dinner for all players)
- Four super-tickets (entrance to all contests)
- Company name on tournament banners
- Signage on one hole
- Recognition at awards dinner and on school and foundation websites, as well as all social media sites
- Includes a 'bounce back certificate' for each member of the foursome

## VOYAGE SPONSOR: \$2,500

### Benefits:

- **Reserved seating for up to 8 guests to Gala reception and program**
- Recognition during Gala program
- Corporate/individual recognition on printed and electronic promotional material, as well as all social media sites

## SILENT AUCTION SPONSOR: \$2,000

### Benefits:

- **Reserved seating for up to 4 guests to Gala reception and program**
- Corporate/individual recognition on printed and electronic promotional material, as well as all social media sites
- Logo and link to corporate homepage on auction homepage



## 2018 SPONSORSHIP PARTICIPATION FORM

NAME (Company/Group) \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

We have reviewed the benefits and have selected the following sponsorship level:

- |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Presenting Sponsor: \$30,000          | <input type="checkbox"/> Quest Sponsor: \$5,000          | <input type="checkbox"/> Our company is unable to be a |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Premier Sponsor: \$20,000             | <input type="checkbox"/> Gala and Golf Sponsor: \$4,500  | sponsor this year. Enclosed is                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Journey of Learning Sponsor: \$15,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Voyage Sponsor: \$2,500         | our donation of:                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Odyssey Sponsor: \$10,000             | <input type="checkbox"/> Silent Auction Sponsor: \$2,000 | \$ _____   |

## PAYMENT METHOD

☐ CHECK NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ SEND INVOICE TO \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Pepin Academies Foundation, Inc.

☐ CREDIT CARD    ☐ Visa    ☐ Mastercard    ☐ American Express    ☐ Discover

CC# \_\_\_\_\_ EXP DATE \_\_\_\_\_ V-CODE \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSOR CONTACT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME (as it appears on card) \_\_\_\_\_

Please send completed form with your donation to:

## Pepin Academies Foundation

(Attention Pepin Academies Gala Committee)  
3916 E. Hillsborough Ave., Tampa, FL 33610
[CLICK HERE TO SPONSOR US ONLINE!](#)

WE APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

For more information, please contact:

Holly Lisle  
 Director of Development  
 (863) 397-5859  
 HLisle@theacademies.us





## SILENT AUCTION DONATION REQUEST FORM



The Pepin Academies Foundation is the not-for-profit 501(c)(3) foundation supporting all Pepin Academies schools and Pepin Transitional School dedicated to the educational needs of students with learning and learning-related disabilities in Hillsborough and Pasco Counties.

**To ensure proper recognition of your donation, please send this form along with your donated auction item(s) no later than January 19, 2018.**

**DESCRIPTION OF ITEM:** Please be specific; include all restrictions, blackout dates, expiration dates and other limitations on the use and availability of the item. Attach separate sheet, if necessary.

The Pepin Academies Gala and the Pepin Academies Puttin' for Pepin golf tournament are being held together this year with the golf tournament taking place on February 10, 2018 at Saddlebrook Resort Tampa. Please consider donating an item for both events to support our students.

☐ Gala ☐ Golf ☐ Both

**DONOR'S VALUATION OF ITEM** (for IRS purposes) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPANY / INDIVIDUAL NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **TITLE** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY** \_\_\_\_\_ **ST** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMAIL** \_\_\_\_\_ **FAX** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE** (of individual authorizing donation) \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I prefer that a Gala Committee member contact me to pick up the item.

**Please send or deliver all auction donations along with this form to:**

**Pepin Academies Foundation**  
**Attention: 2017 Pepin Academies Gala Committee**  
3916 E. Hillsborough Ave., Tampa, FL 33610

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**For more information, please contact:**

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