

P₃ Eco-Challenge Awards Ceremony

April 29, 2015

4 - 7 pm

Long Key Nature Center • Davie, Florida





The Broward P3 Eco-Challenge is a multi-divisional and organizational effort between Broward County Public Schools (BCPS), Broward County Environmental Planning and Community Resilience Division, and the Environmental Conservation Organization. A P3 Committee, represented by members from these organizations was formed to create and implement this wonderful initiative to recognize and reward our schools, teachers, students, administrators, and volunteers for their many efforts to learn about and implement environmentally sustainable measures and green initiatives within our schools and communities.

There are two areas of recognition: The P3 School Challenge and the P3 Stewardship Recognition. The school challenge entails demonstrating participation in or implementation of different sustainability metrics based on a rubric composed of six comprehensive categories: School Grounds Enhancement, School Sustainability, Curriculum Integration, Community Involvement, Administrative Support, and Innovation.

The P3 Stewardship Recognition rewards teachers, students and volunteers who show evidence of promoting civic responsibility, environmental stewardship, and education of environmental issues. The metrics of this category include: Awareness and Involvement, Current Professional Development/Affiliation, Instructional Soundness/Creativity, and Skill Building.

P₃ Committee

Dr. Jennifer Jurado, Director, Broward County Environmental Planning and Community Resilience Division. Staff Members: Barbara Powell, Robert Rudolph, Victor Suarez, Kimberly Mayo, Diana Guidry, and Maena Angelotti

Guy Barmoha, Director, BCPS Math, Science and Gifted Department. Staff Members: Dr. Lisa Milenkovic, Dr. Marilyn Johnson, Rebecca Malones, Rosie Bencivenga, Collet Woolley, Erik Leitner, and Dr. Carla Rody

BCPS Physical Plant Operations Division: Gary Hines, Robert Jindracek and Mitchell Talmadge

Ed Hineline, Director, Business Applications, BCPS Information and Technology Department. Staff Members: Sally Han, Carmelita Resh, and Charlene Collins

Environmental Conservation Organization Members: Dawn Miller-Walker – Science Eye, Andy Roberts - Youth Environmental Alliance, Steve Weinsier – Allstate Resource Management, and Robin Reccasina - Sawgrass Nature Center and Wildlife Hospital.

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Program Agenda

Reception and New River Middle School Jazz Combo Performance

Opening remarks

Charles Webster, Governmental Affairs Coordinator, BCPS Public Information Office

Welcome

Beam Furr, Broward County Commissioner, District 6

Ann Murray, School Board of Broward County, District 1

Laurie Rich Levinson, School Board of Broward County, District 6

Heather P. Brinkworth, School Board of Broward County, District 3

Patricia Good, School Board of Broward County, District 2

Introduction

Dr. Jennifer Jurado, Director, Broward County Environmental Planning and Community Resilience Division

Keynote Speaker

Caroline Lewis, Founder and Executive Director, The CLEO Institute

CLEO: Climate Leadership Engagement Opportunities

Student Stewardship Awards

Guy Barmoha, Director, BCPS Math, Science and Gifted Department

Educator Stewardship Awards

Robin Reccasina, Andy Roberts, Environmental Conservation Organization

Volunteer Stewardship Award

Robin Reccasina, Andy Roberts, Environmental Conservation Organization

School Awards

Guy Barmoha, Director, BCPS Math, Science and Gifted Department

Individual Categories

All Categories

Closing Remarks

Thank you Long Key Nature Center for hosting the P3 Eco-Challenge Awards Ceremony!

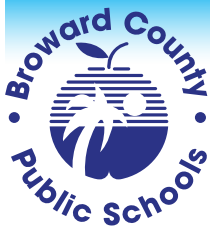


About Long Key Natural Area & Nature Center: At 164.8 acres, this site is one of the largest natural areas managed by Broward County Parks and Recreation. As recently as a century ago this elevated oak hammock was part of a series of islands surrounded by Everglades marshes. Long Key encompasses some of the most significant archaeological, historical, and ecological resources in the county, as the area was inhabited by the ancient Tequestas and the more modern Seminoles.

Long Key's magnificent live oak hammock has served as an important habitat for wildlife and is one of the largest remaining stands of upland hardwood forest in Broward County. Typical trees found in the hardwood forest include live oak, red bay, paradise tree, strangler fig, and the occasional cabbage palm and gumbo limbo. Among the diverse plants you can see are many species of epiphytic bromeliads and ferns that abundantly line the limbs of the oaks. Additional features include a 14-acre orange grove, a remnant of a once-active citrus industry; restored wetland marshes, which have become a haven for a variety of migratory and resident birds; several man-made ponds and canals; and an active bird roost/rookery. The site is also a refuge for butterflies and a variety of mammals, including foxes and bobcats.



More information on this park can be found at [**broward.org/Parks**](http://broward.org/Parks)



Green Strides Best Practices Tour

In honor of Broward County Public Schools being recognized as a 2014 U.S. Department of Education (DOE) Green Ribbon School District, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. DOE Ribbon Schools officials, joined by Florida DOE and local officials, visited several District schools as part of the second annual Green Strides Best Practices Tour: Healthy Schools, High-Achieving Students. Officials visited Silver Ridge

Elementary School, Driftwood Middle School (2013 U.S. DOE Green Ribbon School), South Plantation High School, and Hugh Taylor Birch State Park with New River Middle School.



New River Middle school students with the Green Strides tour officials at Hugh Taylor Birch State Park



CAROLINE ALEXANDER LEWIS

Caroline Lewis is an education strategist who builds capacity, promotes innovation, and inspires leadership in individuals and institutions. Ms. Lewis develops creative, collaborative programs to significantly increase outreach to diverse audiences. Currently, she is a consultant as well as founding director of the CLEO Institute, a non-profit that advances climate literacy and civic engagement. At CLEO, she works with scientists, business and elected leaders, students, teachers, and the community at large to promote solution-oriented approaches to address climate disruptions that are here and coming.

Ms. Lewis has influenced environmental education efforts in institutions around the United States and internationally. In addition, she serves or has served on teams, boards

and committees for several organizations, including: National Environmental Education Advisory Council, Miami-Dade Executive Board for Science Curriculum and Instruction, the Climate Literacy Network, the White House Summits on Climate and Energy and on Women & the Environment, and the Conservation Fund's Advisory Panel for the National Forum on Children and Nature.

In 2013, Ms. Lewis was one of twelve individuals nationally recognized as White House Climate Resilience Champions of Change for her work. She recently authored *Just Back Off and LET US TEACH* - a book for effective teachers and those who champion them.



CHARLES WEBSTER – EMCEE

Charles Webster is Governmental Affairs Coordinator for Broward County Public Schools in

the Public Information Office, working with local municipalities and elected officials. Charles is known for his long history of participation within the advisory board structure of the school system working with parents, teachers, and administrators and is an active participant in the Take Stock in Children program. Charles is a former instructor in Florida Atlantic University's Microenterprise Business Program.

Charles earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management and his MBA from Nova University. He is a member of the National Black MBA Association and a member of the Board of directors of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance. Together with his wife Carol, a psychologist in private practice, Charles founded Privileged Communications, Inc., an independent publishing company where they published Dr. Webster's books on success. He also produced and directed *Success!* a weekly cable access show celebrating the success of community leaders and students.

Educator – Elementary School

Christina Hung
Lisa Scott
Lynn Walsh
Star Rosario

Royal Palm Elementary School
Sheridan Park Elementary School
Maplewood Elementary School
Silver Shores Elementary School

Educator – Middle School

Banesha Fenster
Jennifer Bates
Linda Gancitano
Barbara Humphries
David Reese
Elizabeth Fahy
Gabriela Segal-McCauley
Diana Dworzan

Nova Middle School
Forest Glen Middle School
Driftwood Middle School
New River Middle School
Apollo Middle School
New River Middle School
Apollo Middle School
Apollo Middle School

Educator – High School

Jessica Brown
Vincent Newman

South Plantation High School
McArthur High School

Students – Elementary School

Connor D. Fahy

Haley Calkins
Jamson Gedeus
Kaylee Salvatierra
Krystal Douglas
Mia Avin

North Andrews Gardens Elementary School
Forest Hills Elementary School
Forest Hills Elementary School
Forest Hills Elementary School
Royal Palm Elementary School
Forest Hills Elementary School

Students – Middle School

Dylan Navarro
Faith Joyce
Carson Abt
Mia Rodriguez
Sophie Ayong-chee

Driftwood Middle School
Lyons Creek Middle School
Westglades Middle School
New River Middle School
Westglades Middle School

Students – High School

Tyler Specht
Wendy Paillant
Aliana Chu
Ariel Elazar

South Plantation High School
McArthur High School
South Plantation High School
South Plantation High School

Schools

Apollo Middle School
Atlantic West Elementary School
Bright Horizons School
Deerfield Beach High School
Driftwood Middle School
Forest Hills Elementary School
Hollywood Park Elementary School
Griffin Elementary School
Lake Forest Elementary School
Lyons Creek Middle School
Manatee Bay Elementary School
Maplewood Elementary School
McArthur High School
McFatter Technical Center
New River Middle School
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National Wildlife Federation Salutes the Broward P3 Eco-Challenge Honorees!

NWF applauds the efforts of Broward County schools, administrators, teachers, students, and volunteers to carry out green initiatives and environmental stewardship. Because of your efforts, Broward County has been recognized as a 2014 U.S. Dept. of Education Green Ribbon School District as well as a P3 Eco-Challenge Awardee.

For more information on how NWF's Eco-Schools USA program can help you reach your sustainability goals, please visit www.nwf.org/eco-schoolsusa.





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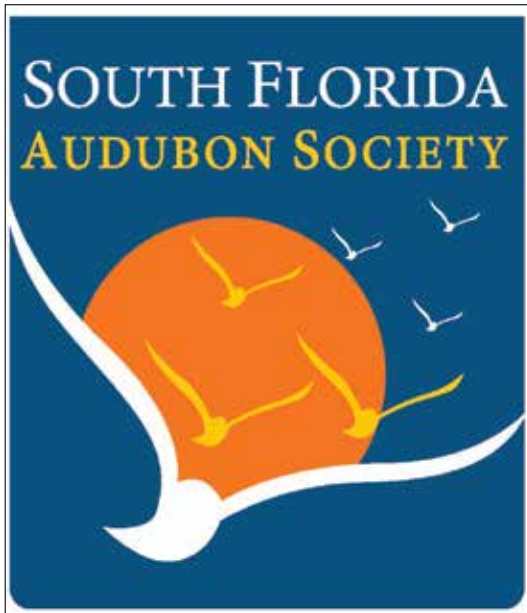
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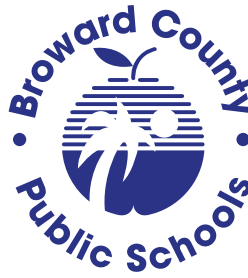
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