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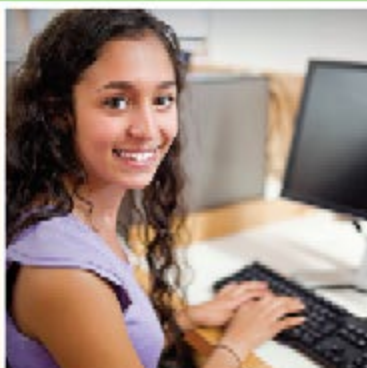
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# Program

<b>Processional</b> .....	Caliber Awards Nominees
<b>Welcome</b> .....	Lisa Lee Arneaud, School Duel Host, BECON-TV Mistress of Ceremonies
	David Sutta, News Anchor, South Florida's CBS4 Master of Ceremonies
<b>Greetings</b> .....	Donna Korn Chair, School Board of Broward County, Florida
<b>Remarks</b> .....	Robert W. Runcie Superintendent, Broward County Public Schools

## Dinner

<b>Presenting Sponsor Remarks</b> .....	BrightStar Credit Union
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## Presentation of Finalists

*School-Related/District Employee, Assistant Principal, Principal and Teacher of the Year*

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## Announcement of Winners

<b>2015 School-Related/District Employee of the Year Award</b> .....	Christopher Gates 2014 School-Related Employee of the Year
<b>2015 Assistant Principal of the Year Award</b> .....	Gina Montagnino 2014 Assistant Principal of the Year
<b>2015 Principal of the Year Award</b> .....	Camille Pontillo 2014 Principal of the Year
<b>2016 Teacher of the Year Award</b> .....	Dr. Daniel Shapiro 2015 Teacher of the Year
<b>Closing Remarks</b> .....	Lisa Lee Arneaud and David Sutta



# Mistress and Master of Ceremonies



**Lisa Lee Arneaud**

*School Duel Host, BECON-TV*

Entertainment TV Host Lisa Lee Arneaud is an acclaimed and well respected on-air personality, known nationally for her charisma and bold influence on camera. Her expertise stems from more than 16 years of working in broadcasting and education.

Regarded as a leader in South Florida broadcasting, Lisa Lee is currently entering her sixth season as the host of BECON-TV's innovative programming, School Duel, which stands as Florida's premiere high school academic game show.

Lisa Lee was formerly the Miami HEAT's HEAT-TV HOST for the 3-time NBA Champions, serving as the team's official in-arena reporter, providing in-depth coverage of Miami HEAT players, on and off the court. Lisa Lee has also worked as a reporter at WFOR CBS4, Local 10 News (WPLG), WIOD and has worked directly with NBA Hall of Famer Alonzo Mourning and NBA Great, Dwyane Wade, as their Summer Groove TV Host.

Lisa Lee is also a true advocate for our youth and education. Certified as a middle and high school English teacher, she has taught students inside the Miami-Dade and Broward County school systems.

A native of New York, but raised in Miami, she now lives in Pembroke Pines with her husband and their three beautiful children.



**David Sutta**

*News Anchor, South Florida's CBS4*

David Sutta joined the CBS4 news team in April of 2007. As a South Florida native, he adds local perspective to his Emmy-award winning storytelling. David covers a gamut of issues for the station including housing, politics and the environment. In addition to reporting, he conducts a number of special project stories for CBS4.

David got his start in news at the NBC affiliate in Miami, WTVJ. As an intern, he learned as much as possible and quickly became a utility player. David eventually became an associate producer and then producer. He is credited with helping the station transition to server-based newscasts. Some of his systems are still in use there today.

A graduate of Florida State University (FSU), David helped to establish and report for FSULIVE, the college's first daily live newscast program, as well as co-created and anchored the first student-run college show (Sportschop) for network air. He is a proud member of Phi Gamma Delta (FIJI).

Family comes first for David. He's the second oldest of five children. Despite his allegiance to the Seminoles, David is still an avid University of Miami Hurricanes fan. When the two play each other you should avoid him! When he's not digging up a story, you can find David playing basketball, skiing, traveling and scuba diving in the Keys.

In addition to working at CBS4, David operates his own still photography company, David Sutta Photography, LLC. His work includes billboard ads that dot South Florida highways and the skyline backdrops for the CBS4 studios and weather department.



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## *A Message from the Superintendent*



**Robert W. Runcie**  
*Superintendent of Schools*

On behalf of Broward County Public Schools, I welcome you to the 2015 Caliber Awards. This evening, we gather to recognize the District's most exemplary employees and their commitment to positively impacting the lives of our students.

The finalists for Teacher of the Year, Principal of the Year, Assistant Principal of the Year and School-Related/District Employee of the Year, embody the qualities of great leaders and mentors, and serve as role models not only to our students, but to their colleagues, as well.

Tonight, we honor these individuals for their dedication, professionalism and outstanding efforts on behalf of our students and schools. By setting high standards and spearheading innovative efforts to provide all students with a world-class education, they are opening doors to brighter futures and inspiring the next generation of leaders.

The District proudly commends all of tonight's nominees, finalists and Caliber Awards recipients for giving of themselves each and every day. We thank them for their hard work and support, as together, we remain focused on our District's mission of educating all students to reach their highest potential.

## *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Finalist*



### **Jacquelyn Augustine, Clerk Specialist IV** *Food and Nutrition Services*

Jacquelyn Augustine is truly a team player who is committed to helping others. Through her caring attitude, she has inspired her peers to complete every task with excellence. She tirelessly works in the food purchasing office, supporting managers to ensure that schools have the right supply of quality meals for our students at all times. Colleagues relied on her to keep 230 school kitchens throughout the District in compliance with safety and health standards.

Every new project is a reason for excitement and self-encouragement for her. She expresses that every new task is an opportunity for learning new skills and connecting with colleagues from other areas within the District and the community. Some of these opportunities to excel are the Broward Education Foundation's gardening grant, which helps her to learn and share the knowledge of wellness and nutrition education for students and families.

Additionally, she volunteers at the American Cancer Society, as she considers volunteering as a way to improve individuals' lives and give back to the community after becoming a cancer survivor. Augustine stated, "I am blessed to have a worthwhile job with a purpose and at the end of the day, I know my co-workers and I make a difference for our kids."



## *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Finalist*



### **Dolores Elmore, Educational Support Personnel**

*Davie Elementary School*

Dolores Elmore is described as a resourceful individual who continuously works to improve the learning environment at Davie Elementary. She uses the learning tools available in every classroom and proactively makes new materials to enhance children's academic experience. Her enthusiasm with students is contagious. She shows students how much fun learning can be.

Aside from her morning duties, Elmore also serves at the aftercare program helping first-and second-graders with their homework, making sure that every student understands the lesson and task stated on the homework. She ensures that all students are involved in the class project, making sure not to favor anyone. Elmore is a very positive, outgoing individual, and a real asset to the education system.

Employed for 26 years at Davie Elementary, Elmore presents the morning announcements every day, welcoming students and teachers, and praising students' accomplishments in regard to using proper etiquette and good manners in the cafeteria and classes. Moreover, Elmore has created a positive relationship between parents and teachers throughout her career, which has enriched the culture of customer service at Davie Elementary.

## *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Finalist*



**Jeana Louis, Office Manager**  
*Lauderdale Lakes Middle School*

Jeana Louis is a team player who can visualize the positive impact of academic goals on students and the community. Beyond her office manager duties and responsibilities, Louis has coordinated challenging initiatives, such as the Community Initiative Project, From Teen to Young Lady Step Program, and some marketing strategies to improve Lauderdale Lakes Middle's perception within the community.

Additionally, Louis is committed to increasing the number of volunteers and community partners, who are essential for students' academic and personal achievements. Furthermore, she has focused on providing the best customer service experience for students, teachers, staff, parents, volunteers and community partners.

Louis is described by her colleagues as dependable, efficient and an unfailingly punctual team player, who very often 'wowed' supervisors and peers with her out-of-the-box thinking and going the extra mile in every task that she embraces. Moreover, community members described her as a highly motivated individual who strives for excellence in all aspects of school and community endeavors.

## *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Finalist*



### **Kenyatta Medlock, General Clerk II** *Whiddon-Rogers Education Center*

Kenyatta Medlock has a passion for working with students who may feel discouraged or undervalued. It is her personal goal to have a positive impact on the lives of the students she influences everyday at Whiddon-Rogers Education Center. She has learned to wear many hats in an effort to achieve her goal.

For the past six years, Medlock has worked to really “know” students of Whiddon-Rogers Education Center. She has wowed her colleagues with her natural ability to build relationships with students and their parents. In fact, over the years, she went from being a mentor to 100 students, to providing opportunities to nearly 1,000.

Medlock also uses her tireless energy to dream big for the benefit of students. She is known for designing and implementing wonderful programs such as town hall meetings that focus on Black History, golf tournaments to raise money and rallies for causes like breast cancer and child abuse awareness, to name a few. She is also an integral part of college recruitment and application efforts, helping many students to prepare for college and careers.

Medlock is doing what she set out to do, and that is to be an agent for positive change. “Ms. Medlock is considered clerical personnel...however, in my eyes, she is a teacher, a counselor, a nurse, a social worker, a brace advisor and a child advocate all rolled into one,” said Whiddon-Rogers Education Center Intern Principal, Elizabeth Tatum.



## *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Finalist*



### **Deborah Moore, Library Media Clerk** *Nova Eisenhower Elementary School*

Making the media center of Nova Eisenhower Elementary School much more than a place with books is a passionate goal for Deborah Moore. She continually tries to show how reading can open doors and opportunities for students at all levels.

Moore created a weekly night for parents and students to visit the media center and read together. They can also take Accelerated Reader tests and use the computers. This weekly event helps students to improve their literacy skills and parents to be more involved with their children.

Moore is actively involved with students throughout Nova Eisenhower Elementary. She helps grade-level teams select books for their classroom and reads to kindergarten students. Moore organizes an annual Thanksgiving basket project for 20 needy families. Additionally, Moore acted as an interim substitute teacher for a first grade teacher who took extended medical leave.

Transforming the media center into a thriving part of Nova Eisenhower Elementary is not just a focus for Moore. It is a passionate accomplishment that helps students at her school thrive.

## *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Finalist*



**Debra Stainton, Office Manager/  
Confidential Secretary**  
*Coral Springs High School*

Debra Stainton is a natural problem-solver. At Coral Springs High School, she responds to any crisis with a calm demeanor and a precise plan, making sure everything goes on as scheduled. Stainton is not afraid of any task, and is always willing to take on additional responsibilities. She has held many positions in her 11 years with Coral Springs High from Attendance Clerk to Budgetkeeper II. She is always the first at work and remains until everyone leaves.

Stainton has excellent communication skills and ensures that each person that visits the front desk of Coral Springs High is always treated with respect and dignity. She willingly shares her knowledge with other schools and assists numerous community organizations.

Stainton shows remarkable dedication and teamwork to the entire Colt Country Community at Coral Springs High. She is a valued member of the staff and a pivotal member of the community.

# *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Nominees*

Anderson, Boyd H. High  
Apollo Middle  
Atlantic Technical College  
Atlantic West Elementary  
Attucks Middle  
Bair Middle  
Banyan Elementary  
Bayview Elementary  
Beachside Montessori Village  
Bennett Elementary  
Bethune, Mary M. Elementary  
Blanche Ely High  
Boulevard Heights Elementary  
Bright Horizons Center  
Broadview Elementary  
Broward Estates Elementary  
Broward Virtual School  
Castle Hill Elementary  
Central Park Elementary  
Challenger Elementary  
Chapel Trail Elementary  
Coconut Creek Elementary  
Coconut Creek High  
Coconut Palm Elementary  
Colbert Museum Magnet Elementary  
College Academy @ BC  
Collins Elementary  
Community Schools North  
Community Schools South  
Cooper City Elementary  
Cooper City High  
Coral Cove Elementary  
Coral Glades High  
Coral Park Elementary  
Coral Springs Elementary  
Coral Springs Middle  
Country Hills Elementary  
Country Isles Elementary  
Cresthaven Elementary  
Croissant Park Elementary

Juanita Boggan  
James Alston  
Terence Williams  
Denese Barrett  
Monique Davis  
Caroline Albano  
Kathleen Johnson  
Steven Lanigan  
Joanne Day  
Daniel Esposito  
Sherry Candelaria  
Gayle Kyle  
Maritza Moreno  
Karen Bowden  
Bonnetta Nicasio  
Katina Williams  
Zefiryna Granek  
Chanel Wellington  
Daniel Skula  
Stacy Rowe  
Anita Carnahan  
Gloria Langham  
Melissa Alford  
Kathy Woods  
Catherine Schmidt  
Andrea Guerrero  
Geneva Randall  
Shantell Washington  
Kathy Richardson  
Maria Ibanez  
Carlos Rios  
Carina Lezcano  
Jacquelyn A. Bell  
Lourdes Rodriguez  
Debra Guerriero  
Robert Grant  
Donald Ammann  
Diane Lostumbo  
Deatria Watson  
Piedad Chiriboga



# *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Nominees*

Cross Creek School	Lamont Ford
Crystal Lake Middle	Terri Lynn Hankerson
Cypress Bay High	Jason Erdman
Cypress Elementary	Mary Falor
Cypress Run Education Center	Floyd Williams
Dandy, William Middle	Beatrice Gaines
Dania Elementary	Janine Gassman
Dave Thomas Education Center	Stacy Brown
Deerfield Beach Elementary	Jacqueline McKenzie-Elliott
Deerfield Beach High	Raechel Bradley
Deerfield Beach Middle	Ralston Wright
Deerfield Park Elementary	Betty Cooper-Hart
Dillard Elementary	Gainda Williams
Dillard High	Jocelyn Sly
Discovery Elementary	Carmen Remis
Dolphin Bay Elementary	Amanda Velasquez
Drew, Charles R. Elementary	Jerome Washington
Driftwood Elementary	Darcy Lauridsen
Driftwood Middle	Barbara Ventura
Eagle Point Elementary	Kareem Brown
Eagle Ridge Elementary	Christine Bradford
Embassy Creek Elementary	Denise Piaggio
Endeavour Primary Learning Center	Cynthia Schulman
Everglades Elementary	Cristiane Silva
Everglades High	Maurice Davis
Fairway Elementary	Richard Austin
Falcon Cove Middle	Valerie Varrell
Flamingo Elementary	Cinthy Chang
Flanagan, Charles W. High	Roberta Randall
Floranada Elementary	Mary Corll
Forest Glen Middle	Gregory Jackson
Forest Hills Elementary	Laeticia Larrieux
Fort Lauderdale High	Linda Sobolewski
Foster, Stephen Elementary	Karman Yeung
Fox Trail Elementary	Renai Statman
Gator Run Elementary	JoAnn Toth
Glades Middle	Joseph Downing
Griffin Elementary	Sasha Marie Lyn
Gulfstream Middle	Dion Nader
Hallandale Adult Community Center	John Capuano

# *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Nominees*

Hallandale Elementary  
Hallandale High  
Harbordale Elementary  
Hawkes Bluff Elementary  
Heron Heights Elementary  
Hollywood Central Elementary  
Hollywood Hills Elementary  
Hollywood Hills High  
Hollywood Park Elementary  
Horizon Elementary  
Hunt, James S. Elementary  
Indian Ridge Middle  
Indian Trace Elementary  
King, Jr., Dr. Martin Luther  
Montesorri Academy  
Lake Forest Elementary  
Lakeside Elementary  
Lanier-James Education Center  
Larkdale Elementary  
Lauderhill 6-12 STEM-MED  
Lauderhill Paul Turner Elementary  
Liberty Elementary  
Lloyd Estates Elementary  
Lyons Creek Middle  
Manatee Bay Elementary  
Maplewood Elementary  
Margate Elementary  
Margate Middle  
Markham, Robert C. Elementary  
Marshall, Thurgood Elementary  
McArthur High  
McFatter, William T. Technical College  
McNab Elementary  
McNicol Middle  
Meadowbrook Elementary  
Millennium Middle  
Miramar Elementary  
Miramar High  
Mirror Lake Elementary  
Monarch High

Donna Ferguson Edwards  
Ashley Hill  
Leila Manuel  
Maria Correa  
Irma Perez-Gomez  
Danielle St. Leon  
Robert Strachan  
Marion Edwards  
Cicero Guimaraes  
Judy Tarquinio  
Donna Amrhein  
Donna Lindo  
Carmen Sandoe  
Coreen Wellington  
  
Adral Scott  
Lisa Hannon  
John Machado  
Letrescia Brooks-Webb  
Morallis Grant  
Alfreda Wright-Brown  
Donna Howard  
Sonia Vergara  
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Sarah Higgins  
Yolanda Sotomayor  
Catherine Cirillo  
Joan Hernandez  
Shirley Billings  
Lori Craig  
Jennifer Abrams  
Terry White

# *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Nominees*

Morrow Elementary	Blondeen Newman
New Renaissance Middle	Maria Maestre
New River Middle	Yvan Skinner
Nob Hill Elementary	Lamprine Antonopoulos
Norcrest Elementary	Jermaine McCray
North Andrews Gardens Elementary	Ellen Lee
North Fork Elementary	Carolyn Powell
North Lauderdale Elementary	Nerisha Hazarie
North Side Elementary	Mildred Jarrett
Northeast High	Bernice Laramore
Nova Blanche Forman Elementary	Belkis Gonzalez
Nova High	Robin Shepard
Nova Middle	Paula Harden-Logan
Oakland Park Elementary	Andrea Joseph
Oakridge Elementary	Christopher Wynter
Olsen Middle	Tiffany Strauch Adams
Orange Brook Elementary	Virginia Fiorelli
Oriole Elementary	Stephanie Taylor
Palm Cove Elementary	Nohra Auriemma
Palmview Elementary	Dorothy Reid
Panther Run Elementary	Linda Jasso
Park Lakes Elementary	Guillermo Pluyer
Park Ridge Elementary	Lucille Carbo
Park Springs Elementary	Marcie Odum
Park Trails Elementary	Patricia Wexler
Parkside Elementary	Kevin Brown
Parkway Middle	Joseph Ellis
Pasadena Lakes Elementary	Charlene Salomon
Pembroke Lakes Elementary	Maria Neris
Pembroke Pines Elementary	Colleen Brockman
Perry, Annabel C. Elementary	Tanya Jose
Perry, Henry D. Middle	Penny DeVillo
Peters Elementary	Jeovanni Hart
Pine Ridge Education Center	Darrell Morris
Pines Lakes Elementary	Liliana Quintero
Pines Middle	Beth Larson
Pinewood Elementary	Leland Steven Whitehead
Pioneer Middle	Luann Joswick
Piper High	Dahlia Orris
Plantation Elementary	Brian Golden



# *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Nominees*

Plantation High  
Plantation Middle  
Plantation Park Elementary  
Pompano Beach Elementary  
Pompano Beach High  
Pompano Beach Middle  
Quiet Waters Elementary  
Ramblewood Elementary  
Ramblewood Middle  
Rickards, James S. Middle  
Riverglades Elementary  
Riverland Elementary  
Riverside Elementary  
Rock Island Elementary  
Royal Palm Elementary  
Sanders Park Elementary  
Sandpiper Elementary  
Sawgrass Elementary  
Sawgrass Springs Middle  
Sea Castle Elementary  
Seagull Alternative School  
Seminole Middle  
Sheridan Hills Elementary  
Sheridan Park Elementary  
Sheridan Technical College  
Silver Lakes Elementary  
Silver Lakes Middle  
Silver Palms Elementary  
Silver Ridge Elementary  
Silver Shores Elementary  
Silver Trail Middle  
South Broward High  
South Plantation High  
Stirling Elementary  
Stoneman Douglas, Marjory High  
Stranahan High  
Sunland Park Academy  
Sunrise Middle  
Sunset Lakes Elementary  
Sunshine Elementary

Mari Anne McDonnell  
Nestor Montanez  
Sarita Lamb  
Levy Moss, Jr.  
James Baggette  
Nadine Destine  
LaToucha Jackson Bush  
Tramain Davis  
Dennis Morelli  
Susanne Winebrenner  
Derrick Spencer  
Teresita Abreu Leon  
Susan Nelson  
Patricia Baskerville  
Tonya Johnson  
Wilma Brooks  
Abby Newkirk  
Kim Davis  
Vickie Shaw  
Martha Cruz  
Theresa Curry  
D'Anthony Spencer  
Carol Davis  
Lisa Asman  
Deloras Williams  
Sha West  
Devon Roberts  
Idalmis Paz  
Carolina Nelly Noda  
Maribel Lauzurique  
Marcia Zerbini  
Willie Jones  
Doreen Lefferts  
Stacy Harrow  
Jo Ellen Berman  
Andrea Armalin Hadden  
Steven Byne  
D.J. Griffin  
Andrea Dinelaris  
Kim Davis

# *School-Related/District Employee of the Year Nominees*

Tamarac Elementary  
Taravella, J. P. High  
Tedder Elementary  
Tequesta Trace Middle  
The Quest Center  
Tradewinds Elementary  
Tropical Elementary  
Village Elementary  
Walker Elementary  
Watkins Elementary  
Welleby Elementary  
West Broward High  
West Hollywood Elementary  
Westchester Elementary  
Western High  
Westglades Middle  
Westpine Middle  
Westwood Heights Elementary  
Whispering Pines School  
Wilton Manors Elementary  
Wingate Oaks Center  
Winston Park Elementary  
Young, Virginia Shuman  
Montessori Magnet Elementary  
Young, Walter C. Middle

Computer Operations

Deborah Freeman  
Richard Defay, II  
Judith Yazell  
Millie Matos  
Rosanne Clauson  
Diane King  
Barclay Quatremain  
Jenny Yeggy  
Marcenia Wood  
Shartonya Quinn-Williams  
Natalie Ikalina  
Ann Wingett  
Tarrance Burch  
Robyn Robertson  
Michael Korir  
Vicki Barsch  
Yvonne Fleming  
Mary Abrams  
Mary Byrd  
David Robbins  
Melianne Francois  
David Sanders  
Suzanne Baer-Goins  
  
Danielle Robertson-Glover

Jessica Bonaparte

## *Assistant Principal of the Year Finalist*



### **Matthew Bianchi**

*Sawgrass Springs Middle School*

Matthew Bianchi dedicates each day to making a positive difference in the lives of his students. He works with students to show them that success is not solely measured by test scores and grades, but also by a blend of unique learning experiences, positive personal interactions and friendships.

Bianchi knows that in order to foster the best environment for his students, he must also develop teachers and support staff to succeed in the classroom. It is through his creativity, work ethic, organizational skills and team-centered approach that he has successfully led fellow administrators, faculty, staff and students to achieve an A rating in six of the last seven years Bianchi has been assistant principal at Sawgrass Springs Middle.

Powered by his work ethic and commitment to excellence, Bianchi has created strong relationships that have positively impacted Sawgrass Springs Middle. Among them is a partnership with their zone high school, Coral Glades High School. Since Bianchi began working with the high school, he has been able to improve course offerings by bringing credit-elective classes in information technology, engineering and Italian. He also has increased the number of students in algebra and biology. These efforts help students gain high school credit and increase the number of students who enroll in Advance Placement and dual enrollment classes in high school.

Bianchi's colleagues point to his wonderful personality that makes him so effective. "I will consider myself a success, if I can achieve just a fraction of what Matt has already accomplished," expressed one of his colleagues.



## *Assistant Principal of the Year Finalist*



**Thomas Moncilovich**  
*Sheridan Technical College*

Thomas Moncilovich has a philosophy: Facilitate student registration for Career and Technical Education programs and provide them with the best instruction and newest industry technology, so that students will have an advantage when entering the workforce.

Through Moncilovich's leadership, Broward County Public Schools has realized several significant innovations for Sheridan Technical. In 2009, he implemented the first Slot Machine Technician Training Program in the Southeastern United States.

Moncilovich is responsible for leading the \$1.2 million, 13-month renovation and redesign of the building that houses the only cosmetology, barbering and spa services program in Broward County. Today, that building supports eight classroom labs that train tomorrow's spa professionals in beauty, barbering, massage and esthetics.

In 2014, Moncilovich launched a first in the nation idea. He oversaw the design and construction of a Mobile Auto Service Technician training lab. The NASCAR-type trailer houses all of the equipment necessary in a brick and mortar automotive classroom, but in a mobile trailer that can be taken to any remote campus or location for online automotive students, instructional lectures and competency demonstrations. The mobile lab makes it possible to offer online automotive service programs without the \$100,000 cost of a traditional lab/classroom.

Moncilovich's devotion to students, workforce education and institutional advancement is evident. His personal philosophy continues to fuel his passion and deep belief in the power of higher education and building careers.

## *Assistant Principal of the Year Finalist*



### **Denise Reed**

*Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School*

With nearly 20 years of experience in education, including the last five years serving as an assistant principal, Denise Reed has had a positive impact on the reading department at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. Her approach is student-centered and dedicated to students who, like herself, may struggle academically without the right supports for their learning.

Reed feels that motivating students takes teamwork. She focuses her efforts on bringing much needed training to teachers, and three years ago created a professional learning community that addressed the Florida Standards (then Common Core), writing, and ACT/SAT prep, as well as the sharing of best practices among three neighboring high schools.

Additionally, Reed has a strong desire to meet the needs of students in the Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Department. Challenged by the diverse abilities of her students and fueled by her passion to see change, she created a program that transformed an unused teachers' lounge into a mock apartment with several domestic zones, allowing the students to learn how to run a household – from groceries to laundry and everything in between. This program continues to grow and now has sponsors who are helping to create learning experiences focusing on potential career opportunities for the students at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High.

Considered an outstanding administrator and role model by her colleagues, Reed will do whatever it takes to achieve what is best for her students.

## *Assistant Principal of the Year Finalist*



### **Paul Satty**

*Coral Glades High School*

As an educator for the last 19 years, Paul Satty has always been a proponent of giving all that one can to their chosen profession. In his eight years as the Assistant Principal of Coral Glades High, he has been involved with all school-wide operations such as safety and security, budget, customer surveys and lease programs.

In operationalizing the school's strategic plan, Satty established and implemented a school-wide Professional Development plan to ensure effective teacher practice. He spearheaded the transition to the new Florida Standards, which included the formation of the Literacy department with an emphasis on critical thinking skills through rigorous and relevant curricula.

One of his greatest accomplishments is the creation of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program at Coral Glades High. Through his leadership, this program has been effective and instrumental in helping students with personal choices and academics. As a result, the overall graduation rate at Coral Glades High has increased by 3%. Additionally, the graduation rate for at-risk students increased by 10%.

Satty is a leader in his community who has earned the respect and admiration of colleagues and students.



## *Assistant Principal of the Year Finalist*



### **Vivian Suarez**

*Charles W. Flanagan High School*

Vivian Suarez became an educator 22 years ago because she wanted to leave an imprint on the world. She has been doing so since the first day she entered the classroom as a Language Arts and ESOL teacher. In her early years, she primarily worked with struggling readers and English Language Learners, the groups from which many teachers shied away. For the past six years, she has utilized her role as Assistant Principal to improve the academic climate at Flanagan High.

Upon noticing the decrease in overall student reading scores at Flanagan High, Suarez enacted two initiatives, which reversed the downward spiral in scores. With the full support of her principal and peers, she selected and trained teachers and hand-developed a specified schedule for more than 1,500 students. Through this program, Flanagan High increased student learning gains in reading from 48% to 62.4% in one year. Today, the school's graduation rate for Hispanics, African-Americans and English Language Learners is among the highest in the District.

Along with monitoring the school-wide literacy plan and the Language Arts and Reading departments, Suarez oversees the School Advisory Council and the school's customer service program, which is available for each person who enters the school campus.

"Ms. Suarez consistently executes exceptional judgment, strong character and always makes decisions in line with what is best for her students," said Flanagan High Principal Michelle Kefford.

## *Assistant Principal of the Year Finalist*



### **Marsha Wagner**

*Cooper City Elementary School*

Change agent, exemplary leader and exceptional program manager are just a few words used to describe Marsha Wagner by her students, colleagues and administrators.

Wagner's passion for education and student excellence has tremendously impacted the students, parents, staff and faculty at Cooper City Elementary. With solid curriculum knowledge, leadership ability and relationship-building skills, Wagner has managed to significantly improve the quality of instruction at Cooper City Elementary in the four years she has served as the school's assistant principal.

In her first year, Wagner created the Four-Step Problem-Solving Model, which is used with all students at the school. The use of the standardized model has improved the students' math proficiency from 72% to 74% in two years. A strong believer in relationships, she often celebrates students' achievements and successes with a personal phone call to their parents. Additionally, she has built relationships with the preschools which feed into Cooper City Elementary's kindergarten program, bridging the gap between kindergarten and preschool expectations.

She looks to Steve Jobs for her motto: Your work is going to fill a large part of your life, and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work. And the only way to do great work is to love what you do.

Wagner has love and great passion for what she does and this is evident as she graces the halls of Cooper City Elementary daily.

# *Assistant Principal of the Year Nominees*

The Outstanding Assistant Principal Achievement Award was established by the Florida Department of Education to recognize exemplary assistant principals for their contributions to their schools and communities. The program honors assistant principals who have utilized teamwork and leadership skills to increase student performance, promote safe learning environments and establish partnerships with parents and community members.

**Nominees are judged on several criteria including:**

- **Educational History and Professional Activities**
- **Leadership**
- **Achievements**
- **Creativity and Innovation**
- **Professional Recognition and Awards**

Broward County Public Schools is proud to join the State of Florida in recognizing these outstanding assistant principals.

Bair Middle	Patricia Genhold
Coral Springs Middle	David Argent
Cross Creek School	Sally Judd
Dania Elementary	Leslie Phillips
Embassy Creek Elementary	Jodi Hoover
Flanagan, Charles W. High	Jay Milmed
Forest Glen Middle	Andre L. Ponder
Fort Lauderdale High	Sara Larosa
Gator Run Elementary	Cynthia Felton
Hallandale High	Annette Pinckney
Indian Ridge Middle	Michael Lyons
Margate Middle	Cara J. Coletti
Nob Hill Elementary	David Suarez
Nova Middle	Rayner Garranchan
Oriole Elementary	Ingrid Osgood
Park Lakes Elementary	Janet Phelps
Plantation Middle	Cheryl Rubin
Plantation High	Deborah K. Stubbs
Pompano Beach High	Lori Carlson
Pompano Beach Middle	Charles J. Zimmerman
Sawgrass Elementary	Marlen Veliz
Sheridan Technical College	Dr. Daryl Diamond
Silver Lakes Middle	Nichele A. Williams
Stoneman Douglas, Marjory High	Lucille Flynn
Sunset Lakes Elementary	Sylvia Correa



# Assistant Principal of the Year Nominees

West Broward High  
Westpine Middle  
Westwood Heights Elementary  
Wingate Oaks Center  
Young, Walter C. Middle  
Young, Walter C. Middle

Lisa Spencer  
Conrad Forbes  
Lydia Knighton  
Allen W. Valentine  
Lorry Bruce Greenberg  
Marcela Mansur

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## *Principal of the Year Finalist*



**Angela Brown**  
*Dillard Elementary School*

Angela Brown makes a difference at Dillard Elementary School. Through developing relationships and programs, she increased enrollment from 461 students in 2011/12 to 824 students in 2014/15.

Brown created a range of exciting and interactive programs. She developed an iPad pilot program and one-of-a-kind PreK/VPK program. Another program offers fifth grade students the chance to tour major universities, many who will be the first in their families to graduate with a college degree. A new program has been created for students in third and fourth grades to tour local colleges and universities. Brown also created hands-on mentoring programs to ensure students have a positive influence in their lives.

Brown has a direct impact in the daily lives of the students at Dillard Elementary and their families. She is an inspiration to those children and to the entire community.

## *Principal of the Year Finalist*



**Estella Eckhardt**  
*Hallandale High School*

With three decades of experience in education, Estella Eckhardt embraces her students and their potential at Hallandale High School by focusing on increasing student achievement and instilling a vision for success.

Under her leadership, Hallandale High has increased its school grade, and has received a number of accolades. She showcases Hallandale High's Visible Learning Characteristics throughout the campus, which include expectations for students, teachers, leaders and families.

Eckhardt is known for creating opportunities for her students to achieve. She secured over a quarter of a million dollars in grant funding for the school and partnered with the city of Hallandale Beach to recognize a Student Citizen of the Month. She also developed a school-wide literacy initiative and opportunities for students to earn industry certifications.

An educator who is passionate, dedicated and relentless in her commitment to her students, Eckhardt is a true visionary who has created a culture of high expectations for everyone at Hallandale High.



## *Principal of the Year Finalist*



### **Michelle Kefford**

*Charles W. Flanagan High School*

Michelle Kefford challenges and engages students, teachers and administrators at Charles W. Flanagan High School with a relentless passion to excel.

Under Kefford's leadership, Flanagan High received an "A" grade for the first time and has continued to do so under her guidance. She introduced numerous programs to increase reading scores and graduation rates. "Flanagan Reads" infuses reading standards directly into the classroom. Kefford created a graduation task force and "Flanagan Innovation Zone University" for students to set and reach higher goals. "Kefford's Kids" is a hands-on mentoring program she developed with her namesake. She personally helps struggling students improve their skills and plan their future as her "kids" for the entire school year.

Kefford is always actively seeking involvement with the community. She developed multiple collaborative opportunities and even has students from feeder schools participate with Flanagan High students. Kefford strives to create an educational community that focuses on growth and success of every student.

## *Principal of the Year Finalist*



**Susan Leon-Leigh**  
*Coral Springs High School*

Susan Leon-Leigh is an innovative and dynamic educational leader, fostering a culture of high expectations and accountability for students, faculty and staff at Coral Springs High School. She continues to be recognized by stakeholders for her dedication and leadership, including being honored by the Florida Association of Student Councils as its Principal of the Year in 2014, and receiving the Shine on Recognition of Excellence honor by the city of Coral Springs.

As principal of Coral Springs High since 2008, Leon-Leigh strives to continually provide programs, resources and educational opportunities for students to best prepare them for college and careers. She remains focused on providing students with a world-class education, while ensuring teachers and staff are working together to support academic achievement. Among the innovative programs Leon-Leigh has worked to develop and implement at Coral Springs High are the Dual Enrollment Academy, Fire Academy, Quantum Leap Academy and Linking Educational and Employment Outcomes (LEEO). In addition, she remains focused on enhancing all of the school's Innovative Programs to ensure they are current and reflect industry best practices.

Leon-Leigh understands the importance of ensuring teachers, staff and administrators have the support they need to grow as educators. She has a passion for education and promotes proactive collaboration. She recognizes the leadership potential in others and works to provide mentorship and new opportunities for interested staff. In all that she does, Leon-Leigh encourages students and staff to exceed expectations and reach their highest potential.

## *Principal of the Year Finalist*



### **Priscilla Ribeiro**

*Fort Lauderdale High School*

The oldest high school in the county had never received an “A” ranking until Priscilla Ribeiro became principal. Ribeiro set a new tone and vision for the under-enrolled Fort Lauderdale High School. In just a year, the school received the College Board’s Gaston Caperton Inspiration award. One out of just three nationwide recipients and the only school in Florida, Fort Lauderdale High was on a new path with positive energy and immense school pride.

Ribeiro continued to make a difference to the students and inspired them to get involved. She developed a free afterschool tutoring program and Saturday review sessions. She re-established the school band program with student participation exceeding more than 350 students in just three years. Ribeiro also implemented an anti-bullying campaign that extended zone-wide. Test scores improved and students were bringing in acceptance letters from top universities to share with her.

The school became a Silver Medal School from U.S. News & World Report and a Magnet School of Excellence from the Magnet Schools of America.

Ribeiro states that her team makes it where “actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more,” and she has in turn made Fort Lauderdale High so much more to its students, staff and the entire community.

## *Principal of the Year Finalist*



### **Sonja Smith Braziel**

*Pompano Beach Middle School*

Being at the heart of the community, is what drives Sonja Smith Braziel. As principal of one of the most requested magnet programs in the county, Braziel has built academic success and increased student performance at Pompano Beach Middle School, which has a 97% attendance rate average.

The community of learning is not just limited to teachers though. Students chart their weekly assessments with an electronic portfolio and evaluate their data with teachers. This encourages student involvement and accountability from the very start.

Braziel encourages staff to attend community events and showcases student work in local forums such as city of Pompano Beach Commission Chamber and department offices, Sample-McDougald House and local organizations. She also rewards students with special trips such as the annual visit to the Miami International Book Fair.

People in the community adopt classrooms and give students real-world experience. A district court judge lets students sit in during a court session and explore a CSI lab. A writers association conducts hands-on playwriting workshops for students.

Under Braziel's leadership, Pompano Beach Middle won the Magnet School of American Award of Distinction and the unwavering support of her community.



# Principal of the Year Nominees

**The Principal Achievement Award for Outstanding Leadership was established by the Florida Department of Education to recognize exemplary principals for their contributions to their schools and communities. The program honors principals that have spearheaded initiatives to increase student performance, promote safe learning environments and establish partnerships with parents and community members.**

**Nominees are judged on several criteria including:**

- **Educational History and Professional Development activities**
- **Student Achievement Data**
- **Student Achievement Initiatives**

Broward County Public Schools joins the State of Florida in recognizing the exemplary record and contributions of these nominees.

Bair Middle	James McDermott
Blanche Ely High	Karlton O. Johnson
Broward Virtual School	Christopher McGuire
Colbert Museum Magnet Elementary	Patricia Yackel
Cooper City Elementary	Dennis Sciuollo
Coral Cove Elementary	Phillip J. Bullock
Croissant Park Elementary	Jamie Maradiaga
Cross Creek School	Colleen Stearn
Crystal Lake Middle	Sabine B. Phillips
Dave Thomas Education Center	Tracy Lockhart-Talley
Discovery Elementary	Angela R. Fulton
Eagle Point Elementary	Christine De Zayas
Embassy Creek Elementary	Robert Becker
Forest Glen Middle	Ronald Forsman
Foster, Stephen Elementary	Ricky Grimaldo
Gator Run Elementary	Keith Peters
Griffin Elementary	Gail Silig
Hollywood Hills High	Lourdes Gonzalez
Nova High	John LaCasse
Nova Middle	Dr. Jermaine V. Fleming
Panther Run Elementary	Elaine L. Saef
Pembroke Lakes Elementary	Sandra Shipman
Pines Lakes Elementary	Susan Sasse
Pompano Beach High	Hudson Thomas
The Quest Center	Dr. Leo Nesmith
Sawgrass Springs Middle	James Cecil
West Broward High	Teresa Hall
Westchester Elementary	Melissa Geraine
Wingate Oaks Center	Sarah T. Hausman
Young, Walter C. Middle	Harold "Chip" Osborn

## 2016 Teacher of the Year Finalist



### **Nicole Brown**

*Deerfield Beach Middle School*

Nicole Brown has achieved National Board Certification, an advanced teaching credential recognizing effective and accomplished teachers, twice in her 22-year teaching career. To increase student achievement, an effective teacher is estimated to have two to three times the impact of any other school factor. Brown is not only an effective teacher, but also an exceptional teacher.

As head of the Reading Department, she has had a direct impact on improving student achievement, and increasing proficiency and learning gains. Brown believes that “every student can learn and grow.” Her winning formula: “I set high expectations for learning, value students’ opinions, help to strengthen their weaknesses and celebrate their successes.”

In her community, Brown serves as chairperson and mentor for Emerging Young Leaders, a program of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and Mentoring Tomorrow’s Leaders, a program for middle school students in Broward County. She mentors and trains students to become leaders through their participation in leadership development, civic engagement and educational enrichment activities.

## 2016 Teacher of the Year Finalist



**Patricia Delmonte**  
*Monarch High School*

Patricia Delmonte expects her students to understand concepts through critical thinking and problem-solving. "My biggest strength is facilitating learning in students by allowing them to figure out concepts and procedures on their own," she said. "Instead of showing them a technique or illustration, I push them to comprehend why, to work through the process by themselves and with each other, so that understanding will occur."

Delmonte specializes in helping students 'get math.' In the classroom, she has a unique talent for conveying very difficult material in such a way that students can absorb the concepts and utilize their learning. One of her favorite quotes by Aristotle is displayed on the wall in her classroom. "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, therefore, is not an act, but a habit."

Delmonte not only teaches students, but also looks for opportunities to help her colleagues. A leader among her peers, she helps her fellow teachers improve their craft through mentoring. She understands that learning is a journey that continues throughout a lifetime.

## 2016 Teacher of the Year Finalist



### **Kimara Giddings**

*Community Schools South*

Kimara Giddings is a family literacy teacher who devotes her efforts, collaborative spirit and knowledge to teaching adults and their children. She is an innovative teacher committed to meeting the diverse needs of her adult students and their children. Her dedication to educating the whole family is commendable.

Giddings teaches parents who participate in the English for Speakers of Other Languages, Adult Basic Education and General Educational Development components of the Family Literacy Program. They receive instruction on how to support their children's learning, and practice developmental and literacy skills. Advances made are evidenced in her preschoolers being prepared to enter kindergarten with a greater chance for academic success, than before they entered the program. Giddings believes everyone can learn, given the right environment, instructional approach and strategies. She takes into account the interconnected lives of her students and builds on their strengths, life experiences and interests.

Giddings is a staunch believer that one of the most effective ways of fostering parental involvement is through family literacy programs. The skills and types of needs are vast and ever changing, ranging from brain development for the children to career readiness for the adults.



## 2016 Teacher of the Year Finalist



### **Adam Greenhut**

*Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School*

Adam Greenhut's connection with Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School as a former student, provides him with a unique perspective as an educator in the community where he grew up and resides. "My classroom extends into the community. The composition of school and community opens doors of communication that allows teachers, students and parents to collaborate more effectively. Integrating this community into the education of students has been seamless," said Greenhut.

Students display characteristics of those who are encouraged, supported and driven to discover. One of his students describes Greenhut as the type of teacher who always believes in his students. "He shows a passion for teaching that makes me want to participate in class discussions and to learn more."

Greenhut participates in numerous after-school sporting events and activities, and has become the voice of Stoneman Douglas at football games and other athletic events.

"While we tend to focus more on formal evaluations, I think it is important for a teacher to spend more time working on building trusting relationships with their students. If students have faith that teachers are working hard to prepare them, and are willing to help, the test results will follow. It is the informal measures that lead to the formal results," said Greenhut.

## 2016 Teacher of the Year Finalist



### **Amanda Hicks**

*Hollywood Hills Elementary School*

Amanda Hicks is a dedicated, resourceful and goal-driven educator. She sees in each student the power to change the world. As an educator for over 10 years, she understands that “hands on learning inspires our students and breeds their success both in the classroom and beyond.”

As a fourth grade social studies teacher, Hicks believes “social studies education encourages children to open their minds to the many different types of people and places on this planet. It helps students figure out their role in society, as well as their place in history.”

Hicks is a master teacher. She is an outstanding educator who consistently applies innovative teaching techniques as she creates a kind, loving and challenging environment for her students. She is the kind of teacher that every principal wants on his or her teaching staff, and every parent wants for his or her child.

## 2016 Teacher of the Year Finalist



### **Dr. Rona Moore Olukolu**

*Pines Middle School*

Dr. Rona Moore Olukolu takes pride in her role as a reading specialist. Her ability to write comprehensive lesson plans and effectively instruct students is evident in the increase of students' performance and grades. Reading is the foundation for comprehension and spelling. She believes that "education continues to be a field of constant evolution and debate, with the pull of philosophical, cultural and political influences felt throughout the industry."

Dr. Moore Olukolu exemplifies excellence in education, setting a high standard for herself and her students. Her students are always engaged and excited about her class. She connects with everyone to create a positive, efficient and welcoming environment. It is because of her expertise, dedication, and the extra time above and beyond her regular hours that make her a gift to her school and community.

Dr. Moore Olukolu considers education a highway of knowledge that can open the windows and doors of opportunity to the wonders life has to offer. As a National Board Certified teacher, she has worked to employ and celebrate literacy, focusing on the new standards of learning.

# 2016 Teacher of the Year Nominees

Anderson, Boyd H. High	Wanda Bush
Apollo Middle	Corey Curtis
Atlantic Technical College	Kevin Finan
Atlantic West Elementary	Erica Burrows
Attucks Middle	Michael Jean
Bair Middle	Stephanie Lavarias
Banyan Elementary	Jennifer Simpson
Bayview Elementary	Michael Hinesley
Beachside Montessori Village	Catrina Liptak
Bennett Elementary	Shaneka Walstine
Bethune, Mary M. Elementary	MaryLynn Brown
Blanche Ely High	Donna Bonavia
Boulevard Heights Elementary	Joan Crooks
Bright Horizons Center	Kettleen Emmanuel
Broadview Elementary	Jennifer Ardo
Broward Estates Elementary	Carolyn Claxton
Broward Virtual School	Jennifer Pulitano
Castle Hill Elementary	Robert McKenzie
Central Park Elementary	Norma Callinan
Challenger Elementary	Stephanie Doolittle
Chapel Trail Elementary	Patricia Gearheart
Coconut Creek Elementary	Shahna Maggard
Coconut Creek High	Jill Ridinger
Coconut Palm Elementary	Sherry Markowitz
Colbert Museum Magnet Elementary	Chentel Neat
College Academy @ BC	Wally Dunne
Collins Elementary	Carol Murray
Community Schools North	Anita Jorgensen
Cooper City Elementary	Anne Drake
Cooper City High	Thomas Mayer
Coral Cove Elementary	Sheri Armentano
Coral Glades High	Roxanne Brissett
Coral Park Elementary	Lora Irving
Coral Springs Elementary	Cormisha Cotton
Coral Springs High	Justin Weaver
Coral Springs Middle	Thia Thomas
Country Hills Elementary	Richard Rusche
Country Isles Elementary	Robert Brouse
Cresthaven Elementary	Valeria Gonzalez
Croissant Park Elementary	Lauren Mianowski
Cross Creek School	Gloria Duncanson
Crystal Lake Middle	Richard Nagel
Cypress Bay High	Megan L. West
Cypress Elementary	Colin Divine



# 2016 Teacher of the Year Nominees

Cypress Run Education Center	Cheryl Leonti
Dandy, William Middle	Marsha Grandison
Dania Elementary	Kay Zeitlin
Dave Thomas Education Center	Ayauna King-Baker
Davie Elementary	Katina Dziewiatkowski
Deerfield Beach Elementary	Rosalund Tennie
Deerfield Beach High	Miderland Delance
Deerfield Park Elementary	Alecxina Innocent
Dillard Elementary	Lus Bugarin
Dillard High	Shapiro K. Broady
Discovery Elementary	Justine Maver
Dolphin Bay Elementary	Kristy Pagan
Drew, Charles R. Elementary	Gessy Saint Vilus
Driftwood Elementary	Ligia Estrada
Driftwood Middle	Marnie Weissmark
Eagle Point Elementary	Angela Boyer
Eagle Ridge Elementary	Melissa Figas
Embassy Creek Elementary	Teresita Miranda
Endeavour Primary Learning Center	La'Faye Aaron Moore
Everglades Elementary	Marcy Winer
Everglades High	Ginette Menendez
Fairway Elementary	Tonya Campbell
Falcon Cove Middle	Evie Hoopes
Flamingo Elementary	Erin Mannarino
Flanagan, Charles W. High	Lorraine Kopicki
Floranada Elementary	Cary Boardman
Forest Glen Middle	Corrette Wright
Forest Hills Elementary	Susan Pignato
Fort Lauderdale High	Byron Montenegro
Foster, Stephen Elementary	Aimee Town
Fox Trail Elementary	Louise Molinelli
Gator Run Elementary	Kristy Bryce
Glades Middle	Rimsky Rosasco
Griffin Elementary	Elizabeth Norrell (Betsy)
Gulfstream Middle	Carla Guerra
Hallandale Adult Community	Marlene Jairam
Hallandale Elementary	Donna Ola
Hallandale High	Michelle McNab-Hemans
Harbordale Elementary	Ashley Calvery
Hawkes Bluff Elementary	Hazel Lee Ling
Heron Heights Elementary	Timothy O'Rorke
Hollywood Central Elementary	India Lee
Hollywood Hills High	Angela Dickenson
Hollywood Park Elementary	Jessica Devine

# 2016 Teacher of the Year Nominees

Horizon Elementary	Cancance Munchick
Hunt, James S. Elementary	Brittany Longworth Stano
Indian Ridge Middle	Melanie DeMar
Indian Trace Elementary	Beatric Cuervo
King, Jr., Dr. Martin Luther Montessori Academy	Billy Clay Word
Lake Forest Elementary	Diane Morrison
Lakeside Elementary	Maria DeRosa
Lanier-James Education Center	Laura Gruber
Larkdale Elementary	Kathleen White-Ortiz
Lauderdale Lakes Middle	Corey Harmon
Lauderhill 6-12 STEM MED	Dina Defay
Lauderhill Paul Turner Elementary	Luna Daniel Raphael
Liberty Elementary	Janice Jones-Harvey
Lloyd Estates Elementary	Deshaun Sweet
Lyons Creek Middle	David Bernasconi
Manatee Bay Elementary	Samuel Allison
Maplewood Elementary	Naomi Church
Margate Elementary	Arlene Reisner
Margate Middle	Roderick Daniel
Markham, Robert C. Elementary	Rachel Music
Marshall, Thurgood Elementary	Jacqueline McKinnis
McArthur High	Peta-Gaye Williams Bisset
McFatter, William T. Technical College	Marijean Hippelheuser
McNab Elementary	Darrin Hayes
McNicol Middle	Jimmy Newson
Meadowbrook Elementary	Rowena Thomas
Millennium Middle	Elizabeth Rivera
Miramar Elementary	Elizabeth Kunz
Miramar High	Veneisha Clarington
Mirror Lake Elementary	Tracy Michcon
Morrow Elementary	Mirielle Imbert
New Renaissance Middle	Jennifer Roveto
New River Middle	Aimee Tarte
Nob Hill Elementary	Wanda Kitchens
Norcrest Elementary	Maria Rietberg
North Andrews Gardens Elementary	Danielle Arnold
North Fork Elementary	Lacrescha Cooper
North Lauderdale Elementary	Andrea Borio
North Side Elementary	Daniella Patterson
Northeast High	Timothy Kandel
Nova Blanche Forman Elementary	Lorrie Durkin
Nova Eisenhower Elementary	Natalie Stuart
Nova High	Errol Forbes

# 2016 Teacher of the Year Nominees

Nova Middle  
Oakland Park Elementary  
Oakridge Elementary  
Olsen Middle  
Orange Brook Elementary  
Oriole Elementary  
Palm Cove Elementary  
Palmview Elementary  
Panther Run Elementary  
Park Lakes Elementary  
Park Ridge Elementary  
Park Springs Elementary  
Park Trails Elementary  
Parkside Elementary  
Parkway Middle  
Pasadena Lakes Elementary  
Pembroke Lakes Elementary  
Pembroke Pines Elementary  
Perry, Annabel C. Elementary  
Perry, Henry D. Middle  
Peters Elementary  
Pine Ridge Education Center  
Pines Lakes Elementary  
Pinewood Elementary  
Pioneer Middle  
Piper High  
Plantation Elementary  
Plantation High  
Plantation Middle  
Plantation Park Elementary  
Pompano Beach Elementary  
Pompano Beach High  
Pompano Beach Middle  
Quiet Waters Elementary  
Ramblewood Elementary  
Ramblewood Middle  
Rickards, James S. Middle  
Riverglades Elementary  
Riverland Elementary  
Riverside Elementary  
Rock Island Elementary  
Royal Palm Elementary  
Sanders Park Elementary  
Sandpiper Elementary  
Sawgrass Elementary  
Sawgrass Springs Middle  
LaGaylia Brown  
Lauren Kirik  
Kara Oakley  
Kim Stephens  
Danielle Savage  
Shalanda Doby  
Adriana Quinonez  
Dorsett McLeod  
Cassandra Watters  
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# 2016 Teacher of the Year Nominees

Sea Castle Elementary	Denise Almonte
Seagull Alternative School	Stephen Jones
Seminole Middle	Karen Forth
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*The School Board congratulates all of the  
Caliber nominees, finalists and winners!*

# 2015 Caliber Awards

## Congratulations

As we celebrate the 2015 Caliber Awards, the Superintendent's Cabinet proudly congratulates all of the teachers, school-related/District employees, assistant principals and principals nominated by our school communities.

*We salute the nominees, finalists and winners for the 2015 Caliber Awards.  
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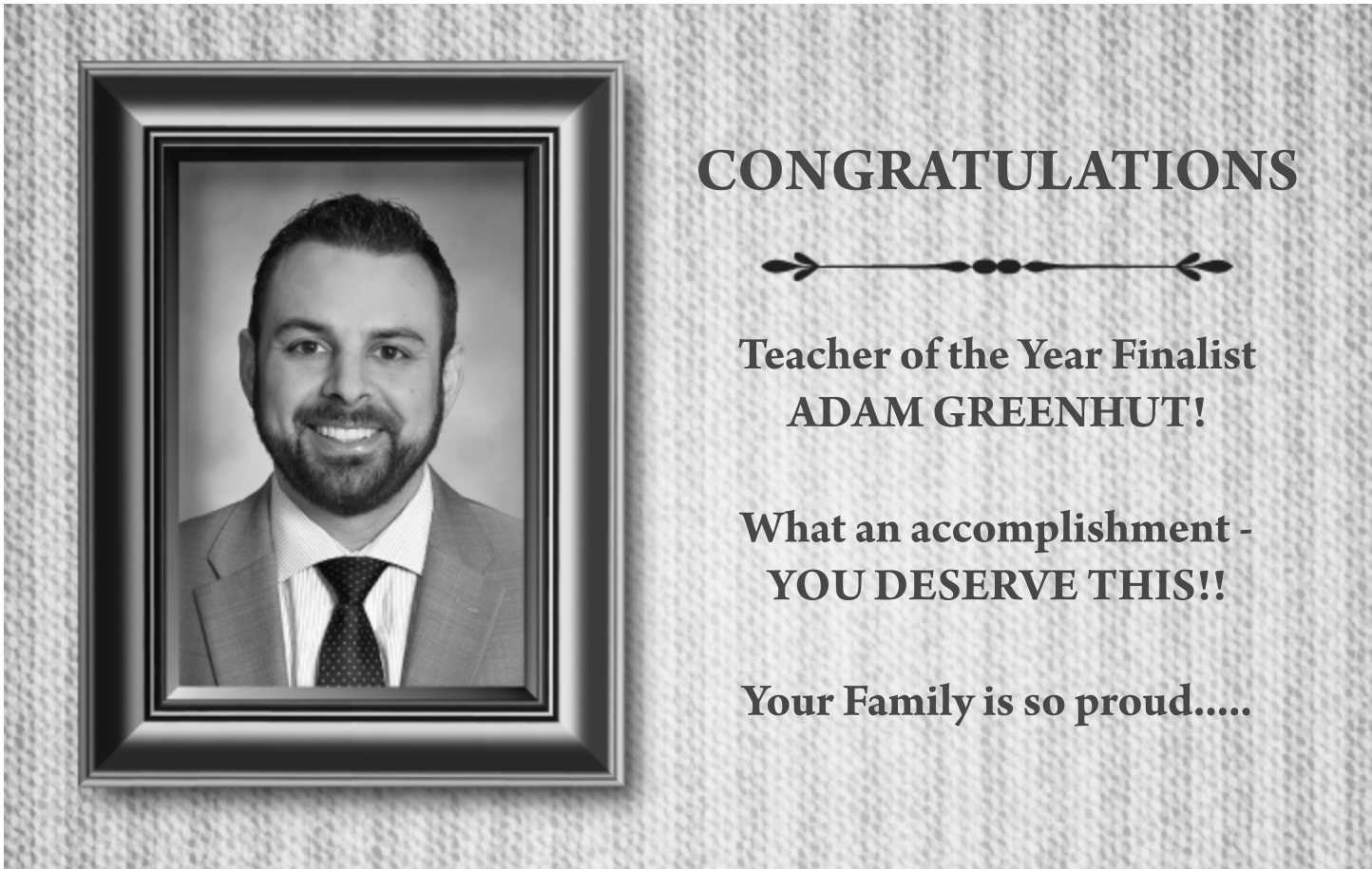
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We would especially like to congratulate these finalists that are our members!



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Nicole Brown - Deerfield Beach Middle School

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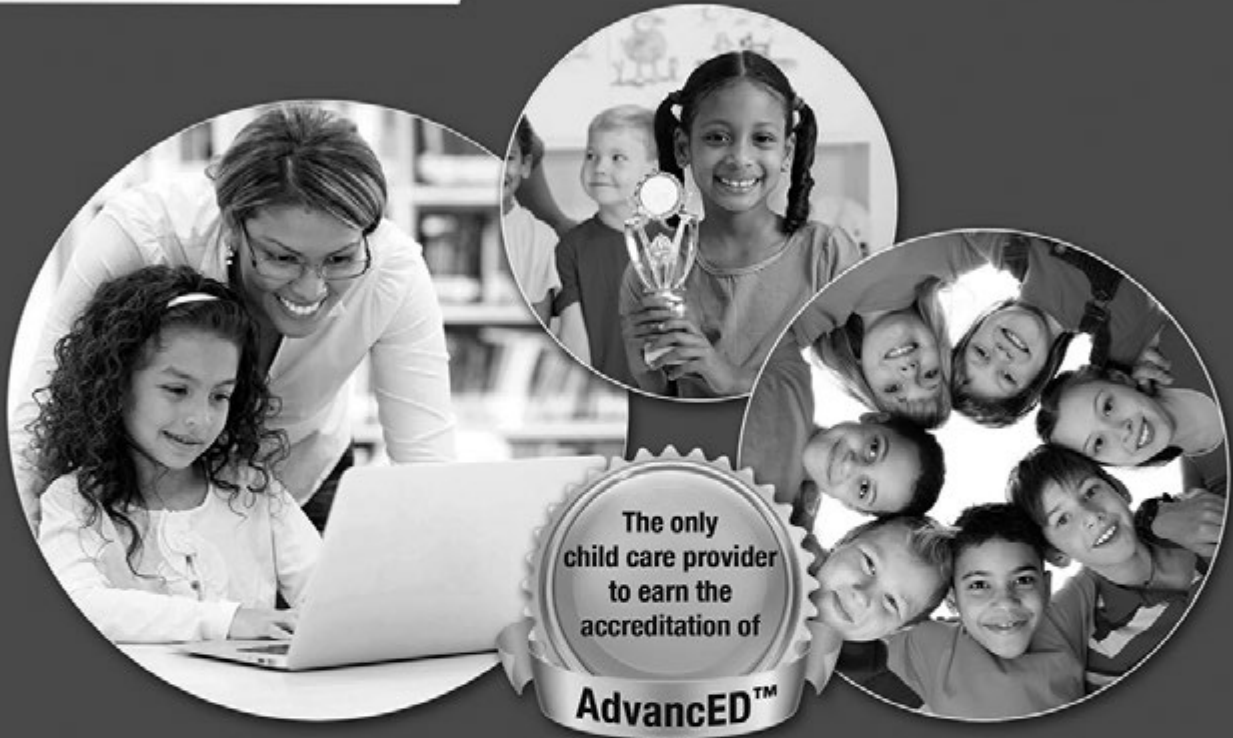
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