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Presentation of Colors	Plantation High School
Pledge of Allegiance	Parinaz Bristol, Principal Army JROTC SFC Franklin Filmon, Senior Army Instructor Maurica Brown
National Anthem	
Welcome	James Griffin, II , Master of Ceremonies Principal, Boyd H. Anderson High School
Royal Regiment	South Plantation High School Christine Henschel, Principal Bryan McCall, II, Director
Greetings	Lori Alhadeff , Chair The School Board of Broward County, Florida
Remarks	Dr. Howard Hepburn Superintendent of Schools
West Broward High Cheerleaders	West Broward High School Brad Fatout, Principal Danielle Culberston, Coach
District & Municipal Partner of the Year Award	Dr. Valerie S. Wanza Deputy Superintendent, Chief of Staff
School-Based Partner Awards	Dr. Angela Fulton Deputy Superintendent, Teaching and Learning (Task-Assigned) Megan Turetsky , Director BCPS Legislative Affairs and Community Relations
Dancing Caveliers	Parkway Middle School Angeline Flowers, Principal Avia Parker/Nayante Stanley, Coaches
Years of Service Awards	Alan Strauss South Regional Superintendent, Teaching & Learning
Sunset Lakes Elementary Orchestra	Sunset Lakes Elementary School Janice Crosby Goulette, Principal Jody Yanow, Director

2024 PROGRAM



Superintendent's Student Award.....	Dr. Howard Hepburn
W-Phi-D Step Team.....	William Dandy Middle School Felice Winston-Davis, Principal Ludnie Desravines/Zoe Henry, Coaches
Outstanding Mentor Awards.....	Dr. Jermaine Fleming North Regional Superintendent, Teaching & Learning Tom Albano , Coordinator BCPS Office of Equity, Diversity and School Climate
Family and Community Engagement Awards	Dr. Ted Toomer Associate Superintendent, Teaching & Learning, Non-Traditional Schools Nadia Bryan Clarke , Assistant Director BCPS Office of Family and Community Engagement
Walker Elementary Chorus.....	Walker Elementary School Jocelyn Reid, Principal Jemara Aviton, Director
Outstanding Volunteer Awards.....	Kassandra Fried 2024 BCPS Principal of the Year Cypress Bay High School Rosheika Rolle 2024 BCPS Assistant Principal of the Year James S. Rickards Middle School Rachel Robuste 2024 BCPS School-Related Employee of the Year Liberty Elementary School John Sullivan Chief Communications and Legislative Affairs Officer
Royal Regiment.....	South Plantation High School

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Presenting



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A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



On behalf of Broward County Public Schools, I am excited to welcome you to our annual Community Involvement Awards program. As we continue to celebrate the theme “Catch the Spirit,” we are not just recognizing outstanding contributions to our schools – we are also acknowledging the spirit of learning and service that fuels these remarkable acts.

Our schools are the heart of our community, and they thrive because of the incredible relationships we forge with dedicated individuals and organizations. These connections are the embodiment of catching the spirit – a spirit of collaboration, dedication and a shared passion for empowering our students.

This year's nominees are shining examples of that spirit. From the volunteers and mentors who ignite a passion for learning in young minds, to the partners who ensure our students have access to resources, to the dedicated advocates who champion equity in education – their contributions are invaluable.

Join me in applauding these extraordinary individuals and organizations. Their contributions create a ripple effect – inspiring students, strengthening our schools and shaping a brighter future for Broward County Public Schools.

Let us all continue to “Catch the Spirit” of learning and service by partnering with our schools and families. Together, we can ensure that all students have the opportunity to learn, grow and reach their full potential.



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MASTER OF CEREMONIES



James F. Griffin, II

Principal, Boyd H. Anderson High School



James F. Griffin, II is a native of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He graduated from Dillard High School in 1989, before matriculating to the home of the Wildcats, Bethune-Cookman University. At Bethune-Cookman, he earned dual degrees in Elementary Education and Specific Learning Disabilities. Mr. Griffin later attended Nova Southeastern University where he earned a Master's Degree in TESOL and a certificate in Educational Leadership.

Mr. Griffin joined Broward County Schools in 1993. He has taught grades K – 5, as well as Adult Basic Education, General Education and English to second language learner adults from Haiti, Peru, Russia, Cuba, Brazil and China. He was appointed as an Assistant Principal at North Fork Elementary School in 2003. During his tenure at North Fork Elementary, Mr. Griffin was recognized as a 2007 finalist for Assistant Principal of the Year. Mr. Griffin received international recognition as an Illuminate Hero and Promethean Torchlight. He was appointed principal

of Rock Island Elementary School in 2007 and his accomplishments garnered him the esteemed privilege of being named Broward County's and Florida's Principal of the Year for 2010. He then went on to serve as the Principal of Lauderdale Lakes Middle School from 2010 until 2019. During his tenure at Lauderdale Lakes Middle School, Mr. Griffin was honored to serve as a member of the Florida Department of Education Commissioner's Superintendent Committee. Currently, he serves as Principal of Boyd H. Anderson High School.

Mr. Griffin is emerging as a global steward. He was invited by the Bahamian Ministry of Education to assist with the government's largest technology initiative in schools. He also funded the construction of a classroom through Free the Children in an underprivileged and underserved community in India. Some of Mr. Griffin's latest accolades and accomplishments include an honorary doctorate degree from Nova Southeastern University in 2022, graduating from the National Superintendent's Academy in 2019, an internship for Broward County's Public Information Office in 2018, induction into the Broward Education Hall of Fame in 2017, being honored by Legacy South Florida magazine as one of the "50 Most Powerful and Influential Leaders" of 2016, and being named a 2014 JM Lexus African American Achiever. Most recently, Mr. Griffin was selected to participate in Florida Atlantic University's Doctoral program sponsored by the Teacher School Leader Federal grant program.

SPECIAL THANKS



Parkway Middle School Dance Team

The Parkway Dance team, known as The Dancing Cavaliers, is coming back for their second year with great enthusiasm. They have expanded their team and enhanced their talent this year, with the help of head coach Mrs. Avia Parker and the addition of newcomer and Co-Head Coach, Ms. Nayante Stanley, a graduate of New World School of the Arts. Each dancer brings a unique energy to the team, making it a versatile and exciting group of young ladies. We are eagerly looking forward to seeing them in action.



South Plantation High School Marching Band

The South Plantation High School Marching Band, also known as the "Royal Regiment" is a 56-member ensemble that performs in a variety of events throughout Broward County. The Band program has earned 'Excellent' ratings in Marching, Concert and Jazz Music Performance Assessments. The Royal Regiment has participated in the 2024 ROARFest Battle of the Bands held at Florida Memorial University and was nominated to perform at the National Independence Parade in Washington D.C.



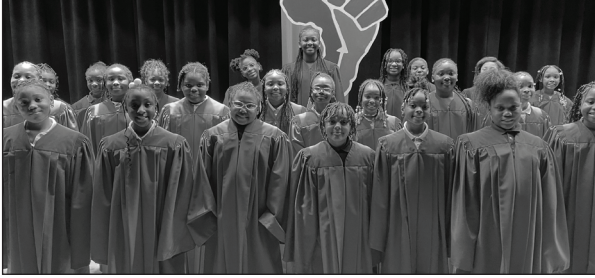
Experience the culinary mastery of Broward Technical College's (Atlantic, Sheridan, and McFatter) Professional Culinary Arts and Hospitality students as they prepare and present a delectable breakfast for the Community Involvement Awards. The comprehensive culinary programs at all three technical colleges provide hands-on training in volume food preparation, banquet setup, meat and poultry fabrication, soups, stocks & sauces, hors d'oeuvres, charcuterie, baking, and pastry basics. These exceptional students along with their Professional Chef instructors have prepared delicacies for the honored guests to enjoy!



Sunset Lakes Elementary School Orchestra

The Sunset Lakes Elementary School Orchestra consists of students in grades 2-5 who meet weekly before school to rehearse. The orchestra performs at concerts and school activities throughout the year.

SPECIAL THANKS



Walker Elementary School Chorus

Walker Elementary Performing Arts School is one of the few Performing Arts Elementary Schools in Broward County that hosts a Choir/Chorus. Our distinguished Choir/Chorus includes students ranging from 8-11 years old of age (Grades 3-5). Walker Elementary Performing Arts program is truly dedicated to it's craft of nurturing our Performing Arts students.



West Broward High School Cheer Team

The West Broward High School Cheerleading Team made history in Broward County as the first National and World Champions. The Team takes pride in promoting school spirit and inclusion. Although they have won, the District championships nine times and the regional champions and state championships six times each, the cheerleaders believe that the program is about more than just cheerleading. They create bonds that will last a lifetime, teach lessons that will take the athletes further in their future ventures, and most importantly help them leave a legacy that they will remember forever.



Plantation High School Army JROTC

The JROTC (Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps) program at Plantation High School offers a unique opportunity for students to learn and develop important life skills such as discipline, teamwork, and self-confidence. In addition to classroom instruction, JROTC cadets also engage in community service projects, leadership camps, drill competitions, and other extracurricular activities. The JROTC program provides a supportive and structured environment that encourages personal development and prepares students for future success in college, careers, and beyond.



William Dandy Middle School Step Team

Stepping is a flourishing form of creativity and an integral part of the creative and cultural legacy of Black culture. Stepping incorporates spoken words, claps and stepping to create complex rhythms and sounds using the body as an instrument. Students have the ability to strengthen camaraderie through character growth, leadership and discipline by joining in the W- Phi- D- William Dandy Middle School Step Team.

DISTRICT PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARD



SOUTH FLORIDA INSTITUTE ON AGING (SoFIA)

For over 50 years, the South Florida Institute on Aging's Foster Grandparent Program has partnered with Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) to provide invaluable support to students. Foster grandparents, aged 50 and above, offer mentorship, academic assistance and emotional support to students, particularly those facing educational challenges or socio-economic disadvantages. Annually, the program serves an average of 600 students, prioritizing academic improvement and school readiness. Remarkably, 90% of these students demonstrate enhanced academic performance, reflecting the effectiveness of the program's interventions. Additionally, an impressive 90% show gains in school readiness, ensuring they are well-prepared for future educational endeavors.



Furthermore, the program achieves significant success in core subjects, with 85% of students experiencing improvements in math, reading and writing skills. This remarkable outcome is made possible by the dedication of 100-150 volunteers annually, who collectively provide 100,000-130,000 hours of service. These volunteers, acting as foster grandparents, offer invaluable mentorship and academic support, fostering a nurturing learning environment for students. Through this enduring partnership, the South Florida Institute on Aging and BCPS exemplify the transformative impact of intergenerational collaboration in education. Together, they continue to uplift students, equipping them with the skills and confidence needed to succeed academically and beyond.

MUNICIPAL PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARD



The City of Deerfield Beach has contributed towards improving public education in Broward County through their support of Deerfield Beach Elementary School, Deerfield Park Elementary School, Deerfield Beach Middle School, Quiet Waters Elementary School, Park Ridge Elementary School and Deerfield Beach High School.

The City has a great relationship with the schools' principals and host quarterly round-table meetings to discuss ways in which the City can become more involved in the growth and development of Broward County Public Schools students. Additionally, the City's Education Advisory Board assists the schools in Deerfield Beach with several initiatives and projects. Last year, almost 50 City employees proudly volunteered to help District students in programs such as JA BizTown, Reading Pals, Read for the Record, Career Day, School Advisory Council Meetings and the Annual Back-to-School Block Party. In addition to the more than 350 hours of service provided through these endeavors, the City of Deerfield Beach also provided Deerfield Beach High School with an annual \$5,000 grant to assist the Band with uniforms.

SUPERINTENDENT'S STUDENT AWARD



Maya Gordon

Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School

Maya Gordon's dedication and service to the pillars of the speech and debate program are unparalleled compared to her peers.

A student at Marjory Stoneman Douglas (MSD) High School, Ms. Gordon is an exemplar of the National Speech and Debate Association honor code, which reads: "As a student or coach member of the National Speech & Debate Association, I pledge to uphold the highest standards of humility, equity, integrity, respect, leadership and service in pursuit of excellence." For the past four years Ms. Gordon has volunteered at debate tournaments, to ensure novice elementary, middle and high school students have the opportunity to compete. In addition, she regularly coaches the students from MSD High's feeder schools.

Ms. Gordon's civic engagement stretches beyond the formal debate spaces. She serves on local advisory boards and interns for State and Federal elected officials. She recently assisted in a voter registration drive at MSD and visited Tallahassee and Washington, D.C. for public service projects.

With more than 2,100 service learning hours, Maya Gordon is a dedicated and reliable student, who is destined to be a diligent civil servant as she continues her meaningful civic engagement.

MENTORING ACROSS BROWARD



Mentoring is nationally recognized as an effective intervention strategy and students who meet regularly with mentors are much more likely to be successful in school and beyond.

Mentoring Across Broward, which operates within the Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) Department of Equity, Diversity and School Climate, utilizes a multi-tiered approach to leverage school and community-based mentoring resources to better serve the needs of students.

The District's Community Involvement Awards provides an opportunity for schools to highlight their mentoring efforts by nominating a Mentor of the Year and Outstanding Mentoring Programs for consideration.

Mentoring Across Broward combines school-based mentoring, peer mentoring and community-based mentoring opportunities to ensure every student who can benefit from a mentoring relationship has access to a caring and supportive mentor whether in school or in the student's home community. In addition, BCPS is mobilizing district staff to serve as mentors to some of our most fragile students including those at risk of dropping out of school and students who are enrolled in Department of Juvenile Justice educational programs.

Among the school-based mentoring programs providing mentoring services, support and in some cases, scholarship opportunities are:

5000 Role Models

5000 Role models is a civic engagement program in which young males in elementary, middle and high school are paired with mentors from the community under the guidance and primary supervision of a school-based director. The site director, student and mentor focus on three general principles throughout the school year: progressive and successful men in the community to emulate; positive alternatives to self-destructive behaviors and societal pitfalls; everyone must assume responsibility for preparing our youth to successfully face the challenges and struggles in today's society.

MENTORING ACROSS BROWARD



Big Brothers – Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters - Bigs in Schools is a one-on-one mentoring opportunity for adults and college students to meet with a child for one hour a week during school hours or during aftercare hours. Mentors may help with homework, play games, have fun and be a friend. Big Brothers Big Sisters also operates mentoring programs in select schools that target specific populations of students, such as Mujeres Latinas at Indian Ridge Middle School, which pairs professional immigrant women with young girls with similar cultural backgrounds as well as peer mentoring programs in selected schools.

Latinos in Action

Latinos in Action is a part of the District's ongoing commitment to meet the needs of Broward's growing Latino community. This program focuses on providing Latino students with increased opportunities for educational, service, cultural and leadership experiences, while empowering them to complete their high school education and attend a college or university after graduation.

Mentoring Tomorrow's Leaders

Mentoring Tomorrow's Leaders (MTL) is a peer-to-peer mentoring and student leadership program that serves youth who are at-risk for not graduating and/or remaining in school. MTL aims to decrease dropout rates, particularly among minority males, to ensure successful school graduation based on the following five Pillars for Success: Academic Achievement, Mentoring, Family Involvement, Community Support and Student Incentives.

Take Stock in Children Mentor and Scholarship Program

Take Stock in Children's (TSIC) mission is to break the cycle of poverty for low income, academically qualified students by providing opportunities for post-secondary education. TSIC offers college scholarships to students who are matched with adult mentors who meet one-on-one with students in middle and high school. The mentors provide support and guidance to students further preparing them for academic and personal success.

Women of Tomorrow Mentor and Scholarship Program

Women of Tomorrow is about women helping women. The program model is unique and effective. Highly accomplished professional women meet with small groups of at-risk girls in public high schools once a month to discuss ways to overcome obstacles and provide skills for success. Participating students are encouraged to apply for scholarships provided through Women of Tomorrow.

Broward County Public Schools is committed to providing youth with access to quality mentoring program both in school and in the community.

For more information about mentoring in Broward County Public Schools, contact the Office of Equity, Diversity and School Climate at 754-321-1600.

OUTSTANDING MENTOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS



Civic & Community Engagement



Commissioner Joyce Davis, commissioner with the City of Dania Beach and founder of the Pearl Girlz Empowerment Program. The mission of Pearl Girlz is to prevent girl bullying through education and awareness of Relational Aggression and to empower every girl to celebrate the value of her own unique identity. The Pearl Girlz Empowerment Program provides a prosocial education, which helps students make good choices when posting online and texting; teaches how to silence bullying; and, how to focus on their own inner confidence and talents. Through this program, Commissioner Davis teaches the importance of supporting each other and emphasizes conflict resolution and assertive behavior, which helps to prepare the students become strong, assertive, and confident leaders.

College Readiness & Resiliency



Carla Holness has been a mentor with Take Stock in Children (TSIC) for the past six years and proudly mentors at South Plantation High School. As a mentor, Ms. Holness focuses on activities which help students with personal development and growth. These activities include affirmation and check-in exercises, as well as college readiness mentoring sessions. Ms. Holness knows the importance of education and firmly believes that no matter how busy life gets, students must come first.

Cultivating Career Exploration



Corrie Holt has been a mentor for five years with Take Stock in Children (TSIC) and proudly supports Atlantic Technical High and Deerfield Beach High Schools. Ms. Holt has a positive and welcoming attitude, which makes her students feel as though she is not only a mentor for TSIC, but a mentor for life. She hosts roundtables which engage students in activities related to personal growth and development, academic success, as well as college and career exploration. With each session, Ms. Holt encourages and empowers students, helping them to reach their highest potential and succeed in tomorrow's world.

OUTSTANDING MENTOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS



Inspiring Academic Excellence



Lucy Montoya is a stellar mentor who has been with Take Stock in Children (TSIC) for the past four years. She serves at Atlantic Technical High School, where she assists students with college applications and uplifts students through self-esteem exercises. Ms. Montoya's engagement with students has elevated their academic progress and she serves as a role model who ensures that students feel as though they have someone who is available to help them tackle some of the challenges they may face.

Leadership Through Cultural Connections



Rebecca Hernandez serves as a Latinos in Action (LIA) mentor at Riverglades Elementary School. The LIA mentoring program aims to increase literacy, empower Latino youth to excel academically and socially by providing mentorship and role models from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, fostering a supportive environment for elementary students to thrive. LIA operates as a year-long elective course that focuses on four pillars: leveraging personal and cultural assets, excelling in education, serving the community, and developing leadership skills. Specifically, the mentoring component aims to increase literacy rates among elementary school students at Riverglades by providing role models, mentors and literacy tutors from Marjorie Stoneman Douglas High School on a weekly basis.

Student Empowerment



Monique Joseph is an outstanding Dream Girls Club (DGC) mentor and positive role model at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Montessori Academy. The objectives of the DGC are to encourage 5th grade young ladies to get engaged through positive leadership development, mentoring, small group tutoring, technology awareness, healthy lifestyles and service-learning opportunities. The DGC advocates for girls by providing access and opportunity to those interested in exploring and/or pursuing a variety of academic interests, technology, and athletics. By empowering these young ladies, they gain self-confidence, stronger families, break the cycle of poverty, strengthen the economy and make investments, which in turn promote a healthier, more prosperous world.

OUTSTANDING MENTOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS



Student-Centered Advocacy



Marc Larose is a mentor with the Forging, Intangible, Youth, Academic, Hope (FIYAH) program. The FIYAH program's goals are grounded in research about what schoolbased mentoring programs can reasonably be expected to address. At Whiddon-Rogers Education Center, the program focuses on improving academic performance, relationships with peers and others, and exploring of positive character traits and behavior expectations. The students receive awards for being responsible, respectful and kind. To support and monitor the relationship, the FIYAH mentors follow up with mentees weekly. The regularly scheduled check-ins foster enriched mentor-mentee relationships and meet the complex needs of students.



OUTSTANDING MENTOR PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AWARD



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FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



The Office of Family and Community Engagement (FACE) supports the District's vision for improving the achievement levels of ALL children. Our goal is for families to be full partners with school staff and members of the community in the work of supporting and sustaining excellence in Broward County Public Schools. Parents are a child's first and most important teacher. Whether children are in preschool, elementary, middle or high school, parent/family engagement plays a crucial role in students' academic success. FACE works to strengthen the home-family-school connection and create new ways to educate parents about how they can help their children achieve.

Family and Community Engagement Award

The Family and Community Engagement award recognizes schools that develop successful programs to promote parent, family and community engagement. Nominee submissions reflect innovative practices for recruitment, training and recognition of parents and families at the school level. These efforts may focus on removing barriers, communicating, volunteering, training, mentoring, decision-making and collaborating with the community. The school-level nominee selected as the District winner is eligible to compete for state recognition.

Online Resources for Family and Community Engagement

The District's website, browardschools.com, includes a variety of resources for parents and families. Parents can access information and resources to help them stay informed about their child's academic progress, educational digital learning resources, details on how to get engaged in their child's school and much more. This "one-stop shop" has everything families need to engage in their children's education. Take a look! Visit browardschools.com, and click the "Parents" tab.

The Office of Family and Community Engagement's website, browardschools.com/face, provides resources and information that support BCPS families in becoming full partners in their children's education, while improving access to learning opportunities across Broward County via Community Connections.

Parents' Guide to Broward Schools

The Parents' Guide to Broward Schools is a handy online resource that serves as a parent's roadmap to the District. The website contains a comprehensive listing of topics of interest for parents. Detailed information ranges from ways to stay connected with BCPS, academics, resources for families new to Broward Schools to Wellness and Student Support Services. The online guide is designed to foster a strong relationship between families and schools in an ongoing effort to increase student achievement. Visit www.browardschools.com/parents to access online resources for parents.

For more information about Family and Community Engagement programs, please contact the Office of Family and Community Engagement at 754-323-4716.

OUTSTANDING FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OF THE YEAR NOMINEES



GROUP NOMINATIONS

Blue Realty

Riverglades Elementary School Parent Teacher Association

Friends of Multilingual Education

Coral Springs Middle School
Eagle Ridge Elementary School
Everglades High School
Manatee Bay Elementary School
Riverglades Elementary School
Tequesta Trace Middle School
Westchester Elementary School
Westglades Middle School

Make Our Schools Safe

Riverglades Elementary School Parent Teacher Association

Parent Teacher Association

Pines Lakes Elementary School

Parent Teacher Association

Riverglades Elementary School

Parent Teacher Student Association

Everglades High School

The Scholarship Plug

All District Schools

OUTSTANDING FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OF THE YEAR NOMINEES



INDIVIDUAL NOMINATIONS

Kimota Johnson

North Lauderdale Elementary School

Julietta Ambroise

Cypress Run Education Center

Nicole Hicks

Cooper City High School

Eunhye Leung

Country Hills Elementary School

Jennifer Solf

Riverglades Elementary School

Stephanie Brown

Quiet Waters Elementary School

Edward Peddell

Coconut Creek Elementary School
Lauderdale Lakes Middle School
Walker Elementary School

OUTSTANDING FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OF THE YEAR - INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP AWARDS



Edward Peddell

Edward Peddell is a lifelong educator who believes in giving back to schools. He shares his knowledge as a former educator and serves as a mentor for New Educators. Mr. Peddell has served as the President of various PTA organizations and encourages parents to get involved in their child's school. He has networked with several organizations to support students and staff with school supplies and to provide needy families with food. Mr. Peddell is invaluable to BCPS and we are grateful for the invaluable work he is doing.



The Scholarship Plug is a Broward non-profit, established with the singular purpose of helping Broward students pursue post-secondary studies debt-free. The founder, Shedly Casseus Panther, a former BRACE Advisor, provides pro bono services to BCPS students on how to get paid to go to college or other post-secondary studies, instead of paying to go. She shares this vision with students at their college fairs, community events, FAFSA enrollment events that she hosts, by posting scholarships on social media and doing school-based workshops on getting paid to go to college. For the past five years, Scholarship Plug has provided free summer training and workshops in which BRACE Cadets were taught how to go to college debt-free. Scholarship Plugs main focus is to help BCPS students find a way to pursue their post-secondary dreams without debt or with less debt.



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- Brachial Plexus Injuries
- Bone and Soft Tissue Tumors
- Orthopedic Care for Cerebral Palsy
- Orthopedic Trauma
- [U18] Sports Medicine
- Concussion Clinic
- Performing Arts and Dance Medicine
- Athletic Training



L to R: Stanley Szybinski, MD; Michael Dressing, MD; Stephen Plachta, MD; Andrew Gupta, MD; Eric Elsner, MD; Matthew Fazekas, MD; Michael Jofe, MD; Neal McNeerney, MD; Randolph Cohen, MD; Stephen Storer, MD; Jeremy Frank, MD



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Volunteer Services

Broward County Public Schools

Volunteer Services, a part of the Office of Communications and Legislative Affairs, supports and assists school volunteer programs throughout Broward County. From the many outstanding volunteer nominations received from schools, outstanding volunteers were selected in the categories of Outstanding Adult Volunteer, Outstanding Youth Volunteer, and Outstanding Senior Volunteer.

In selecting the Volunteers of the Year, the selection panel considers individuals who have made valuable contributions toward the growth and development of BCPS students and have shown outstanding dedication and commitment toward the enrichment of the quality of education offered at our District schools and the furtherance of the District's Strategic Plan.

The following Districtwide volunteer initiatives are a few of the programs managed by Volunteer Services.

- Golden and Silver School Award
- Hours of Service Award
- Outstanding Volunteer Awards

**For more information about school volunteer programs, contact:
the Office of Communications and Legislative Affairs at 754-321-2300
or visit browardschools.com/volunteer.**

OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES



OUTSTANDING ADULT VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

Blanche Ely High School	Deeadra Piper
Beachside Montessori Village	Alissa Alfonso
Central Park Elementary School.....	Jennifer Simon
Coconut Creek Elementary School	Alexandra Lindholm
Cooper City Elementary School.....	Jessie Lamfers
Cooper City Elementary School.....	Nicole Serdenes
Coral Cove Elementary School.....	Kelly Peers
Coral Springs Middle School	Pinkesh Desai
Country Hills Elementary School	Eunhye Leung
Dave Thomas Education Center.....	Sandra Welch
Dillard Elementary School	Donna Gormley
Eagle Point Elementary School.....	Sindy Alvarez
Eagle Ridge Elementary School	Stephanie Garcia
Embassy Creek Elementary School.....	Maggie Iniestra
Everglades High School.....	Jenii Robinson
Forest Glen Middle School	Trang Tran
Glades Middle School	Jennifer Guitar
Griffin Elementary School	Maria Bracamonte
Gulfstream Early Learning Center	Kenneth Cohan
Hallandale High School.....	Dr. Rozalia Williams
Harbordale Elementary School	Bronwyn Bekker
Hollywood Central Elementary School.....	Maura McCarthy Bulman
Hollywood Hills High School	Rachel Silber
Hollywood Park Elementary School	Michelle Pilato Pepin
Indian Trace Elementary School.....	Tania Mendes
Lakeside Elementary School.....	Jennifer Lopez
Liberty Elementary School.....	Angelica Dubanewicz
Liberty Elementary School.....	Gloria Pineda
Manatee Bay Elementary School	Patricia Bowles
Manatee Bay Elementary School	JoAnne Castillo
Maplewood Elementary School.....	Sara Costa
Morrow Elementary School	Vanessa Tussey
Morrow Elementary School	Alisha Moriceau
Nova Middle School	Anthony Thompson
Oakridge Elementary School.....	Maria Marquez
Olsen Middle School	Herman Smith
Orange Brook Elementary School.....	Opal Raglin-King
Panther Run Elementary School.....	Jennifer Fraymont

OUTSTANDING ADULT VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES (Continued)

Park Springs Elementary School	Amanda Del Valle
Pembroke Lakes Elementary School	Stephanie Howard
Pembroke Lakes Elementary School	Enrique Rodriguez
Pinewood Elementary School	Alejandra Gonzalez
Plantation Park Elementary School.....	Julie Bond
Pompano Beach Middle School.....	Heike Tetzner
Quiet Waters Elementary School.....	Christina Gaeta Linn
Quiet Waters Elementary School.....	Romina Golfari
Ramblewood Middle School.....	Deanne Robertson
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Danielle Emilia Castaneda Hoffman
Sandpiper Elementary School	Carol Krzepek
Sheridan Park Elementary School	Jennifer Fuller
Sheridan Park Elementary School	Madeline Purcell
South Broward High School.....	Laywon Monestime
South Plantation High School	Jerry Holt
Sunrise Middle School.....	Kevin Bell
Sunset Lakes Elementary School	Paloma Santana Mesonero
Village Elementary School	Jacqueline Latchman
Westchester Elementary School.....	Noelle Cheresnick
Wilton Manors Elementary School.....	Jane Wolfe

OUTSTANDING SENIOR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

Bennett Elementary School	Sheila Young
Central Park Elementary School.....	Irene Cejka
Coconut Creek Elementary School	Mabel Weiner
Cooper City Elementary School.....	Eileen Nissman Stern
Cooper City Elementary School.....	Robert Swales
Country Hills Elementary School	Joan Blum
Eagle Ridge Elementary School	Karen King McCallum
Griffin Elementary School	Mary Lathrop
Harbordale Elementary School	Sandy Lynch
Liberty Elementary School.....	Angelica Dubanewicz
Pembroke Lakes Elementary School	Gloria Seijo
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Elizabeth Galaga
Riverside Elementary School.....	Rise Fried
Sunset Lakes Elementary School	Millie Jachter
The Quest Center	Judy Rosenburg
Westchester Elementary School.....	Linda Mills

OUTSTANDING YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

Hollywood Hills High School	Adam Dadon
North Lauderdale Elementary School	Amari Williams
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Valeria Anzures
South Broward High School.....	Dakota Chesser

OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARDS



ADULT VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Rachel Silber

Hollywood Hills High School

Rachel Silber, a pillar at Hollywood Hills High School and the local community has been a volunteer for Broward County Schools for many years. This year, she served over 300 hours, averaging approximately 8 hours per week, outside of her working hours at Hollywood Hills High. Ms. Silber serves as the sponsor for Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD), Women of Tomorrow (WOT), and is a Take Stock in Children mentor. Aside from these important roles, Ms. Silber collects donations which she distributes to the school community. One example of this was the Bomba Socks outreach program, where students from SADD and WOT work together to create hygiene packs including socks for the homeless community. Last year, this collaboration provided over 150 bags that were donated to a local homeless shelter. Students and staff alike know that when they are in need, Ms. Silber is the person to see. Through WOT, she identified a need for prom dresses and the group organized a campaign to collect dresses. Thanks to Ms. Silber and her group, several girls received prom dresses and the organizations agreed to continue providing dresses each year. Ms. Silber is instrumental in supporting many other organizations in the school and there is not a school event that Ms. Silber does not attend. Ms. Silber is a true representative of a community servant and a model of compassion and selflessness.

SENIOR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Migdalia Jachter

Sunset Lakes Elementary School

Migdalia Jachter, affectionately known as Grammie, stands as a remarkable asset to the Sunset Lakes Elementary School community. For over 17 years, her dedication and commitment have shone brightly through her selfless acts of volunteerism. What began as a role of a room parent during the time her grandchildren graced the hallways of Sunset Lakes Elementary, has blossomed into a profound connection with numerous teachers and students. With a heart full of compassion and a spirit of generosity, Grammie has seamlessly integrated herself into the daily activities at the school and her involvement has significantly shaped student achievement and school improvement. One major area influenced by her efforts is the school culture. By fostering a welcoming and supportive environment, Grammie has helped to create a positive atmosphere where students feel safe, valued and motivated to excel academically. Additionally by building strong relationships with students and their families, she has played a pivotal role in increasing attendance rates by encouraging regular school attendance, emphasizing the importance of education and consistent participation. Grammie's invaluable contributions have left a lasting impact on Sunset Lakes Elementary.

OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARDS



YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Amari Williams

North Lauderdale Elementary School

Amari Williams works with the Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Buddy program at North Lauderdale Elementary School. She is very instrumental in working with the kindergarten students to assist with reading groups. Ms. Williams reads to students, assists with field trips, works with students during mealtime, assist teachers with bulletin boards and decorates hallways. Ms. Williams also assists with the school's community events, such as the Father/Daughter dance, Mother/Son dance, Black History Show and the HBCU Door Decorating Contest. She is an integral part of the school community and is a true champion for children, simply because she cares. Ms. Williams mentors students in the grades 3, 4 and 5 and fosters positive relationships with all students including autistic, ELL, ESE and regular education students. Amari is a part of the North Lauderdale Elementary School family – one that is loved, cherished and invaluable to all.

DISTRICT ADVISORY/COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Mary Fertig

Parent/Community Involvement Task Force

Mary Fertig is a longtime resident of Broward County and the current Chair of the Parent/Community Involvement Task Force (PCITF). With over 35 years of volunteer service, Ms. Fertig has lent her time and talents to the students and community by serving on various past committees and has been instrumental on improving stakeholder contribution. As a co-founder of the District's Parent University, she effectively linked the PCITF and other stakeholders with the organizers of the virtual platform to ensure parents are connected to District educational resources and information. Recently, Ms. Fertig promptly directed the work of aligning the PCITF with the directives outlined in School Board policy requiring that each Board-established committee has an establishing policy or resolution for Board consideration. Her collaborative standards have gained positive recognition from the District and she will continue to work towards placing public school education as the backbone of every community.

YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS



FIVE YEARS

Central Park Elementary School.....	Lydie Medley
Central Park Elementary School.....	Fadia Albanna
Central Park Elementary School.....	Nathalie Caicedo
Central Park Elementary School.....	Rebecca Kyle
Central Park Elementary School.....	Gina Sierra
Central Park Elementary School.....	Corrie Zeskind
Coconut Creek Elementary School.....	Alexandra Lindholm
Embassy Creek Elementary School.....	Melissa Masters
Embassy Creek Elementary School.....	Maria Rodocker
Embassy Creek Elementary School.....	Melissa Sathe
Griffin Elementary School.....	Maria Bracamonte
Griffin Elementary School.....	Anile Diaz
Griffin Elementary School.....	Mary Lathrop
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Annabella Bhatti
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Salman Bhatti
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Keren Buynak
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Ryan Buynak
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Erica Davis
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Calandra Dietrich
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Katie Ehrlich
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Lauren Epstein
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Julie Frachtman
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Marinelly Frias
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Jaime Friedland
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Sidra Hasan
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Michelle Lavarro
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Michelle Mastrangelo
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Beth McCarthy
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Allison Michaelson
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Dana Moody
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Leah Moskowitz
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Silvia Ochoa
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Jessica Prickett
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Tyson Prickett
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Lauren Ragone
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Michelle Ramer
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Alana Redell
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Jennifer Romanello-Broski
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Jessica Ross

FIVE YEARS (Continued)

Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Nicole Rundell
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Jenny Shane
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Sara Silverman
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Zachary Silverman
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Erica Snyder
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Tilda Terem
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Lara Thaler
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Lisa Widlansky
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Carol Wroblewski
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Krystle Wu
Hollywood Hills High School	Grace Alvarez
Panther Run Elementary School.....	Lilian Carui
Panther Run Elementary School.....	Yashira Perez
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Hallie Bader
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Mallory Dubrowksy
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Marsae Fazekas
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Trisha Feldman
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Kati Fitzgerald
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Michelle Haim
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Stephanie Javarone
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Lorin Kowal
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Christine Liebeskind
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Kate Moreno
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Lauren Pecaut
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Benton Ryle
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Sherri Sklar
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Randi Smith
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Lisa Subko
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Kara-Jane Wilkinsky
Riverside Elementary School.....	Jamie Baier
Riverside Elementary School.....	Lucie Di Capua
Riverside Elementary School.....	Thais Felix
Riverside Elementary School.....	Rise Fried
Riverside Elementary School.....	Alexa Hill
Riverside Elementary School.....	Rebecca Moran
Riverside Elementary School.....	Linda Smith
Rock Island Elementary School	Geraldine Bronson
Sheridan Park Elementary School	Jennifer Gra



TEN YEARS

Central Park Elementary School.....	Sandra Elidor
Country Hills Elementary School	Joan Blum
Heron Heights Elementary School.....	Rita Berger
Hollywood Hills High School	Minerva Ozuna
Hollywood Hills High School	Lisa Schaller
Liberty Elementary School.....	Angelica Dubanewicz
Olsen Middle School.....	Marilyn Babok
Riverglades Elementary School.....	Christina Chiodo
Sunset Lakes Elementary School	Stephanie Wilson

FIFTEEN YEARS

Hollywood Hills High School	Rachel Silber
Hollywood Hills High School	Michele Singer
Hollywood Hills High School	Charlene Wingett
Panther Run Elementary School.....	Beth Van Smith

THIRTY YEARS

Riverglades Elementary School.....	Elizabeth Galaga
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*“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is,
What are you doing for others?”
— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

OUTSTANDING SCHOOL-BASED PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARDS



Throughout the academic year, generous business and community partners across Broward provide much-needed financial and material resources, as well as their valuable time, energy and expertise in support of quality education. These business and community partners are independently nominated by the schools they help to receive Broward County Public Schools School-Based Partner of the Year Award.

A screening panel reviews and scores all qualified nominations across a set of criteria developed around level of commitment, demonstrated support for school improvement and student achievement, and the effective use of resources in providing meaningful experiences to our students.

The descriptions in this booklet give only a small glimpse into the innovative and generous ways that our partners support Broward County Public Schools. We are deeply grateful for their support!



*"Coming together is a beginning.
Keeping together is progress.
Working together is success."
— Henry Ford*

OUTSTANDING SCHOOL-BASED PARTNER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES



Blanche Ely High School.....	The Crockett Foundation
Boulevard Heights Elementary School.....	Garcia PA*
Boyd H. Anderson High School.....	Smitty's Wings
Collins Elementary School	Serving with Grace
Collins Elementary School	The Mobile School Pantry
Cooper City Elementary School.....	Jeremiah's Italian Ice
Coral Cove Elementary School	Flanigan's, Davie
Cypress Elementary School.....	Community Christian Church
Deerfield Beach High School.....	JM Family Enterprises / Big Brother
	Big Sister of Broward County
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Montessori Academy	The Mobile School Pantry
Everglades High School.....	Junior Achievement of South
	Florida Fellows Program*
Gulfstream Academy of Hallandale Beach.....	Gulfstream Community Partnership School
Harbordale Elementary School	Sunshine Child Programs
Hollywood Hills High School	American Automobile Association*
Hollywood Hills High School	Art Prevails Project*
Hollywood Hills High School	Parent Teacher Student Organization
Liberty Elementary School.....	The Rotary Club*
Lyons Creek Middle School.....	Legacy Realty
Meadowbrook Elementary School	Community After School, Inc.
Miramar Elementary School.....	After School Programs
Monarch High School.....	Home Depot, Coconut Creek
Morrow Elementary School.....	Boies Schiller Flexner, LLP
Morrow Elementary School.....	Calvary Chapel Fort Lauderdale
	Education Vision Team
Morrow Elementary School.....	Federal Bar Association - Broward Chapter
Nob Hill Elementary School	City of Sunrise Chamber of Commerce
Olsen Middle School.....	R.E.A.C.H. Kidz
Pembroke Lakes Elementary School	KickFit Martial Arts
Pines Middle School.....	Harvest Drive
Quiet Waters Elementary School.....	SAVE Program
Ramblewood Middle School.....	King of Glory Ministries
Seagull Alternative High School	My Safe Harbor
South Broward High School.....	The Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance
Thurgood Marshall Elementary School.....	The Pride Center
Whispering Pines Center.....	Kiwanis Club of Miramar /
	Miramar Police Department
William E. Dandy Middle School.....	Feeding South Florida
William E. Dandy Middle School.....	The Beauty Initiative*

*Honorable Mention

OUTSTANDING SCHOOL-BASED PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARDS



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LEVEL

Morrow Elementary School with Boies Schiller Flexner LLP



Boies Schiller Flexner LLP's partnership with Morrow Elementary School has provided students with literacy-based opportunities, while introducing students to future career opportunities in the field of law. Through the dedication of Boies Schiller Flexner LLP to the Book Fair literacy project, they provided students with free books to increase literacy at home while providing exposure to the legal field. They more than surpassed this goal at the inaugural event in March 2024 and along with the Federal Bar, esteemed judiciary, lawyers, paralegals and HR at Boies Schiller Flexner LLP contributed to make this project a resounding success.

MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL

Pines Middle School with Harvest Drive School Pantry Project



The Harvest Drive School Pantry Project's partnership with Pines Middle School is designed to ensure school social workers have access to food to assist students, families and staff that might be struggling with food insecurity. Since its foundation in 1992, Harvest Drive has expanded and developed into a reliable resource for the residents of Broward County, which now includes toiletries, household items/small appliances and clothes. Not only has the food drive helped alleviate the financial burden of putting nutritious meals on tables, but it has also instilled a sense of hope and solidarity within the community. During the first quarter of 2024, Harvest Drive donated 165 bags of groceries and about 80 hours of volunteer time. This initiative has been a lifeline to families in the community during challenging times, providing essential support when mostly needed.

HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL

Boyd H. Anderson High School with Smitty's Wings



Smitty's Wings partnership with Boyd H. Anderson High School is a model of excellence that enhances Broward County Public Schools Transition Deferment programs. Smitty's Wings owner, Mr. Chris Smith, and company employees have dedicated hundreds of volunteer hours, working with schoolteacher Soliana Michel, to provide students with disabilities the opportunity to obtain various employment skills in a real-world setting. In recent years, Smitty's Wings has welcomed 18 students to learn important skills such as customer service. Students have also been able to expand their social skills and pragmatics.



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» **OUR MISSION:** Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) is committed to educating all students to reach their highest potential.



NUMBER OF SCHOOLS

Elementary	137
Middle	35
High	32
Combination	9
Centers	16
Colleges (Adult Enrolled)	3
ESE Contract Agency Schools	7
Total	239
Charters	87
TOTAL SCHOOLS	326

Source: Demographics & Enrollment Planning, 2023/24 school year

2022 graduation rate of 93.9%* for traditional high schools.

Source: Research, Evaluation & Accountability, High School Graduation Rates, 2021 - 22 [Memo] and Appendix C Released 01/13/2023

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

Race

White	51.7% / 131,534
Black	40.2% / 102,375
Asian	3.9% / 9,796

Native American or Native Alaskan	0.3% / 866
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.2% / 523
Multiracial	3.7% / 9,290

Ethnicity

Hispanic	37.9% / 96,452
Non-Hispanic	62.1% / 157,932

Other Demographic Data

ELL*	12.6% / 31,927
ESE*	14.8% / 37,573
Free or Reduced Lunch Meals	55.6% / 141,380

*ELL - English Language Learners

*ESE - Exceptional Student Education

Source: 09/12/2022 Benchmark Day Enrollment Report, Demographics & Enrollment Planning

BCPS serves approximately 25.3 million meals per year.

Source: Food & Nutrition Services, as of 06/21/2023

BCPS is the largest public sector employer in Broward County.



OUR STAFF

Instructional Staff	14,403
Clerical and Support Staff	11,016
Administrators	1,601
Total Number of Permanent Employees	27,020
Substitute and Temporary Employees	1,332
Substitute teachers and temporary employees outsourced through Kelly Education Services	4,671
Total Employees	31,691

Source: Enterprise Applications, as of 08/09/2023

ENROLLMENT

Pre-K	5,353
K - 5	83,280
6 - 8	43,655
9 - 12	68,708
Centers	3,725
Charter Schools	49,663
Total	254,384

Source: 09/12/2022 Benchmark Day Enrollment Report, Demographics & Enrollment Planning; includes elementary, middle, high and virtual school

AVERAGE EXPENDITURES PER STUDENT

Basic K - 12	\$8,035
ESOL*	\$8,618
ESE*	\$14,432
Career Education	\$7,600
Total for All Programs	\$9,468

*ESOL - English for Speakers of Other Languages

*ESE - Exceptional Student Education

Source: 2022-23 Average Per Student Expenditure, Florida Department of Education

830+ school buses transport more than 54,000 students daily.

Source: Student Transportation and Fleet Services, as of July 2023

BCPS buses travel more than 10.7 million miles annually.

Source: Student Transportation and Fleet Services, as of July 2023



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