

Volusia County Schools
 ~School Board Notes~

May 10, 2016
 School Board Meeting

RECOGNITIONS

The school board recognized the following:

- Fifty-three schools for receiving the Florida Department of Education 2015 Five Star School Award, an incentive program to recognize exemplary community involvement in our schools. The award is presented to schools meeting 100% of 29 criteria in the categories of community/business partnerships, family involvement, volunteers, student community service, and school advisory councils.

Blue Lake Elementary	Ortona Elementary
Burns Science and Technology Center	Osceola Elementary
Champion Elementary	Osteen Elementary
Chisholm Elementary	Palm Terrace Elementary
Citrus Grove Elementary	Pathways Elementary
Coronado Beach Elementary	Pine Ridge High
Creekside Middle	Port Orange Elementary
Cypress Creek Elementary	Pride Elementary
DeBary Elementary	R.J. Longstreet Elementary
David Hinson Middle	Read-Pattillo Elementary
Deltona High	River Springs Middle
Deltona Lakes Elementary	Seabreeze High
Deltona Middle	Silver Sands Middle
Discovery Elementary	South Daytona Elementary
Edgewater Public	Southwestern Middle
Enterprise Elementary	Spirit Elementary
Forest Lake Elementary	Spruce Creek Elementary
Friendship Elementary	Spruce Creek High
Galaxy Middle	Sugar Mill Elementary
George Marks Elementary	Sweetwater Elementary
Heritage Middle	T. DeWitt Taylor Middle-High

Horizon Elementary	Timbercrest Elementary
Indian River Elementary	Tomoka Elementary
New Smyrna Beach Middle	Volusia Pines Elementary
Orange City Elementary	Westside Elementary
Ormond Beach Elementary	Woodward Avenue Elementary
Ormond Beach Middle	

- [Sierra Dollar](#), Edgewater Public School volunteer, for being awarded the Florida Outstanding School Volunteer Award from the Florida Department of Education. She is one of only five youth volunteers to receive this honor.
- Student winners in the 2016 Crime Stopper Poster Contest

Elementary School Winners

- [Nina Ocampo](#), Enterprise, grade 4; 1st place Volusia County elementary winner
- [Lindsey Larrimore](#), Cypress Creek, grade 3; 2nd place Volusia County Elementary winner
- [Rose Downey](#), Cypress Creek, grade 3; 3rd Place Volusia County elementary winner; ***Grand Prize – 4 County Elementary Winner***

Middle School Winners

- [Zariah Mitchell](#), Heritage, grade 8; 1st Place Volusia County middle school winner
- [Sophia Zimonopoulos](#), Creekside, grade 7; 2nd Place Volusia County middle school winner
- [Jennifer Russell](#), Creekside, grade 7; 3rd Place Volusia County middle school winner; ***Grand Prize – 4 County Middle School Winner***

High School Winners

- [Alexander Herbert](#), University, grade 11; 1st Place Volusia County high school winner
- [Rachael Maccio](#), Seabreeze, grade 11; 2nd Place Volusia County high school winner
- [William Kellie](#), University, grade 11; 3rd Place Volusia County high school winner
- [Daria Hughes](#), Seabreeze High sophomore art student, who won the U.S. Congressional Art Award. Her watercolor image, "Medley," will hang in the Capitol in Washington, D.C. for one year. Art teacher, Ms. Lisa Botkin.
- [Skye Williams and Ashly Barker](#), New Smyrna Beach High students, for both winning a National Scholastics Art Award. Skye Williams received the National Gold Medal Award and Ashly Barker received the National American Vision Award. Their art teacher is Ms. Tina Curry.

- [Florida PTA Reflection Arts winners](#): Nine students won Awards of Merit and one student won an Award of Excellence. The Award of Excellence entry is one of only 30 statewide and will be forwarded to Nationals for additional judging.

Award of Excellence

- Matthew Roman Cabrera, Freedom Elementary, Film Production

Award of Merit

- Matthew Roman Cabrera, Freedom Elementary, Literature
 - Sydney Hoover, Freedom Elementary, Literature
 - [Kayla Lancing](#), Pine Trail Elementary, Literature
 - Adrian Matthew Litigio, Freedom Elementary, Film Production
 - [Anne McGrath](#), Pathways Elementary, Visual Arts
 - [Rylan-Carlos Mize](#), Freedom Elementary, Photography
 - [Rocco Kaney Olivari](#), Pine Trail Elementary, Visual Arts
 - [Zayne Patel](#), Pathways Elementary, Photography
 - [Lola Roberts-House](#), Freedom Elementary, Dance Choreography
- A six-member fifth grade team from [Chisholm Elementary](#) who won first place in the Odyssey of the Mind competition. They will be attending Nationals in Iowa in May.
 - [Mary Ann Autrey](#), Sunrise Elementary teacher, for receiving the 2016 Florida Council for Exceptional Children Dr. Jack Lamb Rookie Teacher of the Year Award.
 - [Liliana Torres](#), Taylor High senior, for receiving a Dell Scholarship Award. The Dell Scholars program provides students with resources and mentoring beyond initial financial assistance to insure they have the support they need to obtain a bachelor's degree. Liliana's AVID teacher is Mr. Ian Jackson.
 - [Hannah Rockwell](#), Mainland High senior, for winning first place in Decorative Food Centerpiece at the Florida FFCLA (Family Career Community Leaders of America) competition. Chef Jason Kester is her teacher.
 - [Viktor Toth](#), Seabreeze High senior, for being named a state champion in boys swimming for two events (50 & 100 meter free). Coaches: Lisa Bennett, head coach, and John Ullom, assistant coach.
 - [Kristina Ziegler and Lindsey Ziegler](#) for winning the state championship in tennis doubles. Kristina Ziegler also won the state championship in singles. Mr. Vinnie Abbaleo is their coach.

- [Brittany Bentzoni](#), Spruce Creek High student, for winning the state championship as an individual in the girl's weightlifting competition. Mr. Thomas Bennett is her coach.
- Spruce Creek High School [boys weightlifting team](#) for winning their 26th state championship.

Spruce Creek High Weightlifting Team - Coach Michael Randow

- Dallas Davis
- Dante Collier
- Tommy Gross
- Bradley Osborne
- Dalton Rathbun
- Vinny Sneed
- Slade Villalobos

Individual Boys State Champions

- Slade Villalobos
 - Dante Collier
- Fifty-eight Volusia County students who were selected as "All-State" musicians for the state of Florida. These individuals were chosen through a statewide audition process consisting of several thousand students. Photos: [District 1](#), [District 2](#), [District 3](#), [District 4](#) and [District 5](#).

NEXT SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

Workshop: Tuesday, May 17, **4 p.m.**, DeLand Administrative Complex, 200 N. Clara Ave., DeLand, regarding the budget

Regular Meeting: Tuesday, May 24, **5:30 p.m.**, DeLand Administrative Complex

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