

MARKETPLACE LOCATIONS OPEN AT JOSE DE DIEGO MIDDLE AND MIAMI EDISON SENIOR HIGH TO SERVE STUDENTS, FAMILIES AND NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES



Two additional Marketplaces opened bringing the total to 13 throughout the District. The Marketplace at Jose De Diego Middle School is through the generous sponsorship of Cigna Health and the support of Feeding South Florida, the Foundation for New Educational Initiatives and Publix Charities. The Marketplace at Miami Edison Senior High was launched through the commitment and fundraising of Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce Leadership Miami program’s own Impact305 group. Both locations will serve as the destination to source fresh food, pantry staples, personal hygiene products, clothing and more for our students, their families and surrounding communities. Want to volunteer, donate, or support our Marketplace program? Visit [engagemiamidade.net/marketplace](http://engagemiamidade.net/marketplace)

DEVON AIRE K-8 STUDENT WINS TOP PRIZE IN CLASS DOJO CHARACTER CONTEST



Congratulations to 3rd grader Gabriela Silva, whose original character “Gloumpy” was named ClassDojo’s 2025 Monster of the Year—selected from more than 40,000 submissions and earning over 150,000 votes nationwide.

Mojo from ClassDojo visited the school to present Gabriela with a \$3,000 scholarship and awarded \$2,000 to the school in recognition of this outstanding achievement.

Well done, Gabriela—your creativity and talent are an inspiration!



NINE EXTRAORDINARY FAMILIES AND SEVEN INSPIRING HEROES HONORED DURING THIS YEAR’S “GARDEN OF HEROES” AWARDS BREAKFAST



In May, Miami-Dade County Public Schools celebrated nine exceptional families for their outstanding dedication and support; making a lasting impact on both their children and the greater school community. Also recognized were seven employee “Heroes” whose selfless commitment and extraordinary efforts uplift students, families, colleagues and their communities. To view the event program [click here](#).

COCONUT PALM K-8 AWARDED FPL’S \$50,000 STEM CLASSROOM MAKEOVER

Coconut Palm K-8 Academy in Homestead was recently awarded the Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) \$50,000 STEM Classroom Makeover Grant. After a year of renovations, the updated STEM Classroom is complete with updated technology including hydroponic flex farms, a new school mural and STEM materials to create an immersive learning experience.



NEW SCOREBOARD UNVEILED AT MIAMI BEACH SENIOR HIGH STEPHEN M. ROSS FIELD

Miami Beach Senior High recently celebrated the ribbon-cutting of its new scoreboard at their field named in honor of alumnus Stephen M. Ross, proud Miami Beach High alum and visionary owner of the Miami Dolphins.

The event was attended by representatives from the Dolphins organization, city officials, and school leadership, marking a proud moment for both the school and community.

This milestone made possible through the generous support of the Dolphins and the City of Miami Beach, is an example of the impact of Hi-Tide pride and success.

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT: THE VILLAGE OF PINECREST EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A model of collaborative leadership in education and composed of the Village Vice Mayor, school principals, PTA representatives, and community leaders, the committee works together with Miami-Dade County Public Schools to support student success, advocate for school needs, and develop initiatives that enhance the overall educational experience.

Their collective efforts reflect a shared commitment to excellence, with each stakeholder playing a vital role in building strong school-community partnerships that benefit students and families across the Village of Pinecrest.



KENDALL FEDERATION OF HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATIONS (KFHA) HOSTS ANNUAL “OPERATION TURNAROUND” AWARDS

Established in 1983, the awards program is designed to recognize one student from each school within its community boundaries who has shown the greatest improvement or “turnaround” in the areas of academic achievement and/or behavior. The award is aimed at the student who, while not necessarily at the top of their class, has nonetheless made significant strides toward improving their attitude, attendance, schoolwork and behavior. At a luncheon hosted by KFHA, middle and senior high school students were honored with their awards; including scholarships for graduating seniors.

DISTRICT CELEBRATES OUTSTANDING SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS AND EXEMPLARY M-DCPS PARTNERS SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOLS, STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

The annual Community Partners Awards brought together our hundreds of dedicated school volunteers and M-DCPS Partner organizations and businesses, to celebrate the impact of their collective work and support of public education.

Nicklaus Children’s Hospital, Women of Tomorrow, and the Phillip and Patricia Frost Museum of Science received the prestigious Superintendent’s Choice Award for their long-standing district-wide partnerships that enhance the educational experience for our teachers, staff, students and their families.

To view the event program [click here](#).

