

Three Outstanding Superintendents and School Board Members Receive Statewide “STAR” Recognition from Consortium of Florida Education Foundations

Three “STAR” Superintendents and School Board Members in Florida were recognized for their exemplary leadership by the Consortium of Florida Education Foundations December 1 at the 66th Annual Joint Conference of Florida School Boards Association and Florida Association of District School Superintendents held in Tampa.

Local education foundations from throughout the state nominated school system leaders for the awards. Nominees were reviewed by other education foundation directors in the state and rated for their leadership and involvement with their local education foundation. Three recipients were chosen, one school board member and two superintendents.

“We want to celebrate the school district leaders who make it a priority to foster private sector support of public education through their local education foundations,” said Susan Copeland, CFEF Chair. “This year’s recipients are incredible examples of the many individuals who champion our local education foundations and help us raise more than \$40 Million annually to support our students, teachers and schools.”

Mary Tlachac, “Suncoast for Kids” Foundation, pictured with award recipients.

CFEF 2011 STAR awards, sponsored by Suncoast Schools Federal Credit Union to:
Malcolm Thomas – Superintendent, Escambia County
Dr. Brian Binggeli- Superintendent, Brevard County
Paige Brookins- School Board Member, Levy County



The Consortium of Florida Education Foundations (CFEF) is the membership organization for Florida’s school district-wide local education foundations. Established in 1987, CFEF seeks to advance student achievement in Florida by increasing private sector investment and involvement in public education. CFEF now has 55 member foundations with 1,100 business and community leaders serving as volunteer board members. Collectively, they raise more than \$40 Million annually to support students, teachers and schools through a variety of programs. CFEF has provided more than \$17.6 Million to local education foundations since 2002 through various private and public sector partnerships, including the State of Florida School District Education Foundation Matching Grant Program.

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