

# Flagler County Education Foundation

February Newsletter



## Flagler County Education Foundation

Our mission is to generate financial support and community awareness to enhance educational programs that benefit students, teachers, and families of Flagler Schools.

*FAMU AAMP Trip!*



The AAMP-Girls from [Matanzas High School](#) and [Flagler Palm Coast High School](#), experienced an amazing college tour at [Florida Agricultural And Mechanical University](#). These girls got a firsthand look at campus life, academic programs, and extracurricular opportunities. They enjoyed learning ALL of what FAMU has to offer.

## *Matanzas Pirate Night & FPC Program of Study Night!*



## *Grand Re-Opening Of Our House!*

This Valentine's Day, Superintendent LaShakia Moore and [Flagler County Education Foundation](#) Executive Director Teresa Rizzo joined others in the community to cut the ribbon rededicating the Our House Resource Center in Bunnell. Administered by the Flagler County Housing Authority, Our House primarily serves as an after-care facility for children after the school day wraps up. Flagler Schools provided 10 tablet computers, complete with a wall-mounted lock box - charging station. The Flagler County Education Foundation also provided goody bags for the special day, including books, arts and crafts supplies and treats. Throughout the year, the foundation additionally helps children and families by supporting various educational programs. Our House also provides others services including helping adults gain computer access to apply for assistance and job opportunities, as well as pursue GED® training.



## *Able Trust Grant!*

Exciting news we were awarded Futures in Focus Able Trust Grant! Launched in partnership with the [Consortium of Florida Education Foundations](#), the first iteration of Futures in Focus will provide about 600 students with disabilities in grades 6-12 with a range of educational and vocational activities, access to key resources, and pathways to postsecondary education and training. Learn more about this new youth program at <https://www.abletrust.org/futures-in-focus>

# WELCOME OUR INAUGURAL FUTURES IN FOCUS PROGRAMS!

**DeSoto County** - DeSoto County Education Foundation

**Dixie County** - Dixie Education Foundation

**Flagler County** - Flagler County Education Foundation

**Hernando County** - Hernando County Education Foundation

**Jackson County** - Jackson County Education Foundation

**Lake County** - Education Foundation of Lake County

**Okaloosa County** - Okaloosa Public Schools Foundation

**Santa Rosa County** - Santa Rosa Education Foundation

[www.abletrust.org/futures-in-focus/](http://www.abletrust.org/futures-in-focus/)

## *Class 8 Leadership Florida Graduation!*

Congratulations to our very own Executive Director Teresa Rizzo on graduating from Leadership Florida Class 8!



## *Convening of Florida School Districts!*

Flagler County Education Foundation was proud to support at the Florida Department of Education District Convening Conference in Fort Myers!



*Take Stock In Children!*

# TAKE STOCK IN CHILDREN MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



## MARCHING INTO SPRING

February was filled with love! It commenced with a visit to Daytona State and their Advanced Technical College campus. The Education Foundation hosted their yearly Mardi Gras Gala, which supported the Take Stock in Children Program and Senior Scholarships. Additionally, we embarked on a college tour to Keiser University. Time seems to be racing by this year! If you're acquainted with any 8th or 9th graders, please urge them to consider applying to Take Stock in Children as recruitment season is underway. Let's continue striving for academic excellence! Spring season is upon us! Spring and Easter are my favorite season and holiday!



WISHING YOU GOOD LUCK  
*On all things this month!*

**REMINDERS**  
SEE YOUR SHOUTOUTS & LIKE US ON FACEBOOK/INSTA- FLAGLER COUNTY EDUCATION FOUNDATION

## IMPORTANT DATES



- 3/8 Deadline to Register for ACT on 4/13/24
- 3/14 End of 3rd Quarter
- 3/15 No School - Teacher Work Day
- 3/18 - 3/22 No School - Spring Break

- MENTEES** - COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR MENTOR ABOUT RESCHEDULING MEETINGS!
- SENIORS** - WATCH THE COLLEGE PREP WORKSHOP KEEP ME UPDATED ON COLLEGE COMMITMENTS **SEND ME YOUR CONFIRMATION OF FAFSA SUBMISSION (IF YOU NEED HELP COMPLETING/SUBMITTING FAFSA PLEASE REACH OUT & I WILL SIT WITH YOU)**
- MENTORS** - PLEASE LOG ALL YOUR UP TO DATE SESSIONS! MAKE SURE YOU ARE MEETING ONCE A WEEK OR AT LEAST 2X A MONTH! THIS INCLUDES IN PERSON, VIRTUALLY, OR OVER THE PHONE!



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## FAFSA Night!



## Chiumento Law 50th Anniversary Year Event!

Chiumento Law marked an incredible milestone—50 years of business and commitment to our community! The evening was not just about revelry; it was about making a lasting impact through Chiumento CARES. Founded on a genuine dedication to our community over the past five decades, Chiumento CARES aims to bring about positive change to our local students. Our mission: to raise funds to end student homelessness in Flagler County schools. Support this cause today by donating at [flagleredfoundation.org](http://flagleredfoundation.org)



## *Well Read Wanderers!*

Another incredible literacy event!

Thank you to all the families & students that joined us on this cloudy morning to hear a reading of the "Super Fly Guy" by Debbie Dearduff Ellis former [Flagler Schools](#) guidance counselor! Then followed by a [New Worlds Reading Consortium of Florida Education Foundations](#) workshop with the families led by our executive director of the [Flagler County Education Foundation Teresa Mitchell Rizzo](#)! Our fun craft led by our amazing team & lunch served as well! Thank you ladies who volunteered this Saturday to make it happen.





Literacy Event Ages 4-8

**WELL READ**

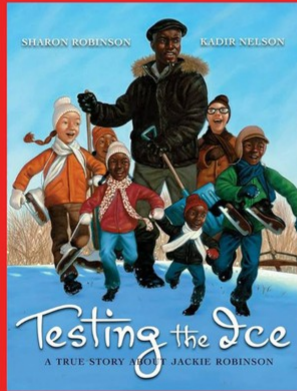


**WANDERERS**

March 30th, 2024

11 am- 1 pm

Location TBD



*Sign up here*



- Reading of: Testing the Ice: A True Story of Jackie Robinson (Play Ball)
- Every child will take a new book home!
- Crafts & Activities
- New Worlds Reading Parent Workshop Available
- Lunch for the family is provided

## *Mardi Gras Gala!*

WOW! The 20th Annual Mardi Gras event was a huge success. We want to thank everyone who attended & contributed to our [Take Stock in Children](#) program & Senior Scholarship this makes a huge difference for our scholars taking the next step after high school. TSIC Mentors Ron & Diana Tortelli were crowned king and queen of Mardi Gras!



## *Valentine's Day Love for Flagler Schools!*

[Flagler County Education Foundation](#) spreads love across [Flagler Schools](#) to all our Principals who work hard to take care of our students! You move Flagler Forward every single day!



## *Bethune Cookman University Education Students Tour of Flagler Schools!*

Education students from Bethune-Cookman University took a tour of Flagler Schools campuses today. The first stop on the tour for these future educators is Flagler-Palm Coast High School, where they had breakfast and heard from Superintendent LaShakia Moore and FPC Principal Bobby Bossardet. The undergrads then took a trip to Buddy Taylor Middle School & Bunnell Elementary. If you are interested in a tour of our schools please reach out to Stephanie Ellis at [elliss@flaglerschools.com](mailto:elliss@flaglerschools.com)



## Joe Rizzo Memorial Golf Classic!

**JOE RIZZO MEMORIAL**  
**GOLF CLASSIC**  
**2024**

**BENEFITS CLASSROOM TO CAREER PROGRAMS**

**APRIL 8TH**  
**2024**

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Palm Coast, FL 32137

Community Foundation United Way  
Volusia-Flagler Counties

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