

Michelle fosters growth in student learning and behavior. She uses whiteboard tables within her classroom to enhance student engagement and learning gains. While her academic responsibility is to increase the reading and writing scores on the Florida State Assessment, her professional responsibilities far exceed the walls of her classroom. She serves as department chair, leading educators in professional development. Michelle seeks to mentor new teachers and nurture future teacher leaders. She serves as an ambassador for teacher collaboration and observation, both factors she believes will create positive change within her school.

Michelle holds a bachelor's degree in secondary English education from Southeastern University in Lakeland, FL, and is currently pursuing a master's degree in collaborative teaching. She received the Southeastern University Award and Most Outstanding Secondary English Major Award in 2009, publishing two original poems locally and nationally.

I extend my sincere thanks to Michelle for her dedication to helping her students achieve success. I look forward to hearing of her continued success throughout her teaching career in the years ahead.●

TRIBUTE TO NICOLE A. GREBOSZ

● Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, today I honor Nicole Grebosz, the Volusia County Teacher of the Year from Citrus Grove Elementary School in DeLand, FL.

In the same county where she completed her high school degree about 17 years ago, Nicole was named her county's Teacher of the Year. She is a technology special area teacher, focusing on new technology instruction.

Thanks to Nicole's hard work, more than 940 students at her school have access to the tools that will help steer their education. Nicole says her students think they cannot code because it involves a language they do not speak, but she knows this is not the case. She strives to make them believe in themselves.

Nicole transitioned to elementary school in 2015, after having started her career in education at her alma mater, Pine Ridge High School. During her 9 years at the high school, she taught English and language arts. She also headed a web design class at Florida Virtual School.

I thank Nicole for the commitment she has made to teaching her students to understand our rapidly evolving technological world. I extend my best wishes to Nicole on her continued success in future endeavors.●

TRIBUTE TO SAMANTHA NEFF

● Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, today I am pleased to recognize Samantha Neff, the Seminole County Teacher of the Year from Idyllwilde Elementary School in Sanford, FL.

Samantha's administrators say she brings enthusiasm and creative energy to her school. She is determined to help her colleagues become better math teachers in order to help their students feel confident tackling the sometimes difficult subject.

Samantha joined the school this year and has already helped Idyllwilde teachers, particularly its 24 new ones, improve their lessons. She spends hours in classrooms, modeling lessons and observing their styles. According to her principal, Samantha is exemplary and is dedicated to contributing her time, energy, and resources into the school's students. Seventeen years into her career, Samantha still loves teaching and is eager to encourage her love of math.

Samantha grew up in Seminole County and graduated from Lake Mary High School. She has spent her entire teaching career in the district, working as an elementary school teacher, then as a math coach whose job is to help other teachers become better math instructors. She is also an adjunct professor at the University of Central Florida, her alma mater.

I am grateful for the dedication Samantha has shown to her students throughout her teaching career. I express my best wishes to her and look forward to hearing of Samantha's continued success in the years ahead.●

TRIBUTE TO KYLIE ONDRIEZEK

● Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, today I recognize Kylie Ondrizek, the Sumter County Teacher of the Year from Wildwood Middle High School in Wildwood, FL.

Kylie was recognized with the Teacher of the Year award because of her dedication to providing her students with countless opportunities for success in her classroom. She strives to provide her students with a quality education and creating a friendly atmosphere to learn.

Kylie's colleagues and students note she makes herself available to their needs throughout the school day. She is devoted to being a positive role model and wants to make sure she is able to help all of her students as they continue their educational careers long after leaving her classroom.

Kylie graduated from Wildwood Middle High School and returned to the school in 2015 to teach English II and English II honors.

I am pleased to congratulate Kylie for receiving this important recognition. I express my best wishes to her and look forward to hearing of her continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO MADGALY SANTANA

● Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, today I recognize Madgaly Santana, the Hardee County Teacher of the Year from North Wauchula Elementary School in Lakeland, FL.

Madgaly's colleagues attest that she is dedicated to making sure her young

students learn all that they can while she is their teacher. She states that she is not just there for her students, but also for their parents as well. She feels that having a relationship with both students and parents helps make the school year a success.

Madgaly graduated from Ashford University in 2012 with a bachelor of science degree in elementary education K-6. In 2013, she began working at North Wauchula Elementary School as a first grade teacher and has been in the school system for 8 years.

I thank Madgaly for her devotion to helping her students learn and excel in school. I extend my best wishes and look forward to hearing of her continued success in the years ahead.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:04 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 801. An act to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Route 66 National Historic Trail, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1026. An act to revise the authorized route of the North Country National Scenic Trail in northeastern Minnesota and to extend the trail into Vermont to connect with the Appalachian National Scenic Trail, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2991. An act to establish the Susquehanna National Heritage Area in the State of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3997. An act to waive the application fee for any special use permit for veterans demonstrations and special events at war memorials on Federal land, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5005. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing the birthplace of James Weldon Johnson in Jacksonville, Florida, as a unit of the National Park System.

H.R. 5655. An act to establish the Camp Nelson Heritage National Monument in the State of Kentucky as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5956. An act to incentivize the hiring of United States workers in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 801. An act to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Route 66 National Historic Trail, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2991. An act to establish the Susquehanna National Heritage Area in the State of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3997. An act to waive the application fee for any special use permit for veterans demonstrations and special events at war memorials on Federal land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.