

Proclamation Acknowledging
"Newspaper in Education Week"

The School Board of Pinellas County
Largo, Florida

WHEREAS, research tells us that the best way to help children discover the joy of reading and become lifelong readers is to involve them early and often; and

WHEREAS, helping a child learn and love to read is the ultimate goal to improve students' chances for success in school and beyond; and

WHEREAS, research shows that students who learn using the newspaper as an educational resource are more likely to become lifelong readers, score more highly on standardized tests, learn to think critically and develop into more informed and engaged citizens as adults; and

WHEREAS, Newspaper in Education (NIE) is an international program that encourages the use of the daily newspaper as a progressive teaching resource for students from primary through adult education levels.

WHEREAS, for over twenty-five years, the Tampa Bay Times Newspaper in Education program has been a community partner, serving educators, students and families by providing funded newspapers, companion materials and instructional support; and

WHEREAS, the American Press Institute commemorates and celebrates Newspaper in Education Week annually during the first full school week in March;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Pinellas County School Board is pleased to commemorate Newspaper in Education Week 2016 and encourages parents, students and teachers to read the newspaper daily in school and at home to enhance and enrich their lives.

Adopted at the regular session of the School Board meeting held on this 23rd day of February, 2016.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF PINELLAS
COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Chairperson

Attest: _____
Superintendent