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Star Teacher Award Winners Announced

Citrus and Polk County educators among national winners!

St. Petersburg, FL (March 31, 2009) – Bright House Networks proudly announces the winning teachers of the 2009 Star Teacher Awards program. In the Tampa Bay Division, 12 of the teachers recognized were selected among innovative educators who use resources and cable programming available through Cable in the Classroom. For 20 years, the Star Teacher Awards program has been recognizing hundreds of teachers who exemplify strong creativity through the use of technology and resources in education.

Each winning teacher will receive at least \$500 in prize money. In addition, winners will be invited to attend the annual Star Teacher Awards Gala, participate on an all expense paid trip to Birmingham, Alabama and receive a Tiffany Crystal Star. For each school that has a winning teacher, a donation of a new laptop computer will be made for the school's media center.

“We are looking forward to this year’s competition and honoring our best and brightest teachers throughout our community,” said Mike Robertson, president of Bright House Networks Tampa Bay Division. “Bright House Networks is proud of its partnership with Cable in the Classroom and invites all educators to participate in this great competition.”

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"A&E Television Networks is delighted to join Bright House Networks in celebrating the Star Teacher Award winners," said Dr. Libby O'Connell, Chief Historian, SVP, Corporate Outreach; A&E Television Networks. "These outstanding educators inspire students in their classrooms every day, and they provide great examples of innovation for other teachers by developing new approaches to learning. We congratulate them and thank them for their commitment to educating our young people."

Bright House Networks provides the connection and basic cable service free to virtually all schools in the company's service areas. Connected schools receive more than 540 hours of commercial-free, educational programming each month at no charge through the company's membership with Cable in the Classroom. For more information about the Star Teacher Awards, visit www.mybriighthouse.com.

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List of Teachers from the Tampa Bay Division

Citrus County winners:

- 1) *Ben Stofcheck and David Goddard – Environmental Science Academy (high school) – “Going Green Starter Kits”*
- 2) *Becky O’Connell and Mary Tyler – Inverness Primary School – “The Wonderful World of Work”*
- 3) *Susan Federico and Karen Stofcheck – Forest Ridge Elementary – “Brain Food: Discovering Healthy Snacks”*
- 4) *Jennifer Jabo, Marie Bienkowski and Michelle Varon – Forest Ridge Elementary – “Conservation at Land Space and Sea”*

Polk County winners:

- 1) *Deborah Porter, Karen Horsting, Paul Peterson – “The Florida Story, Part 2 – Protecting Ourselves from Our Environment”*

Hillsborough County winners:

- 1) *Kathleen Butler, Ana King, and John Wehust, - Stewart Middle Magnet School, “Dragon Lore Castles and More”.*