





Newspaper in Education wins national awards

Three educational publications produced by the <u>Tampa Bay Times Newspaper in Education</u> program have received awards in the 2023 <u>National Newspaper Association Foundation Better</u> Newspaper Editorial Contest.

Mental Health Awareness: Empowering Young People to Manage Their Mental Health was awarded First Place in the NIE – Partnerships category. The goal of this project was to educate middle and high school students about healthy strategies for recognizing and coping with mental health challenges caused or exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Created in partnership with BayCare, it was written by Jodi Pushkin and designed by Stacy Rector of Fluid Graphic Design. The judges commented: "An important topic, well done and perfect for NIE distribution. Great job."

Pinellas County All Hazards Preparedness Guide 2022 was awarded Second Place in the NIE – Partnerships category. The goal of this project was to give students and their families, as well as community members, the tools for hurricane and other hazards preparedness and to serve as a preparedness resource throughout the year. In addition to English, the supplement was published in Spanish and Vietnamese. Created in partnership with Pinellas County Emergency Management, it was written by Jodi Pushkin and designed by Stacy Rector of Fluid Graphic Design. The judges commented: "An interesting and well-conceived topic (hurricane safety) for a NIE special section. It's perfect as a physical "keeper"/reference piece. Well done."

Street Smart Prevention 2022 was awarded Third Place in the NIE – Partnerships category. The goal of this project was to educate young people and the adults in their lives about substance abuse prevention. Created in partnership with the HILL Alliance (HCADA), it was written by Jodi Pushkin and designed by Stacy Rector of Fluid Graphic Design. The judges commented: "Nice job with this drug awareness NIE special section."

Winners will be recognized at an awards ceremony at NNAF's 137th Annual Convention and Trade Show Sept. 28-30, 2023 in Washington, DC.

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