



Linda Cox, art,
 2022 Grand Prize Winner



Tracey Keim,
 English and business,
 2015 Grand Prize Winner



2025 NIE

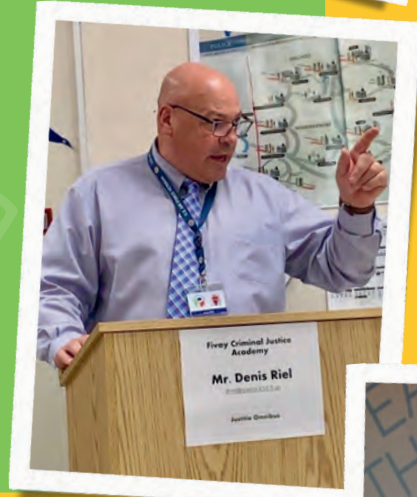
EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR CONTEST

EDUCATORS –

Tell us in 250 words or less how you use the Tampa Bay Times in your classroom. You could win \$1,500 and have your newspaper-based lesson, activity or project included in a new NIE teacher guide!



Brenda Curtwright,
 speech pathologist,
 2019 Honorable Mention



Denis Riel,
 criminal justice,
 2024 Grand Prize Winner



Rene Marquis,
 culinary arts,
 2018 Runner-Up

Grand prize:

- **\$1,500 cash prize**
- Grand prize plaque
- Tampa Bay Times prize pack
- Inclusion in the **2025 NIE Educator of the Year Teacher Guide**
- Invitation to the **2025 Florida Media Conference**
 - Reimbursement for conference lodging and travel
 - Optional opportunity to present to newspapers from around Florida

Runners-up:

- **\$300 cash prize**
- Runner-up certificate
- Tampa Bay Times prize pack
- Inclusion in the **2025 NIE Educator of the Year Teacher Guide**

Nominate yourself or a colleague.
Entries accepted Jan. 1 – April 30, 2025.



Scan QR code to learn more.

Eligibility: Educators (teachers, media specialists, paraprofessionals, etc.) of any grade and subject in public and private schools in Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas and Polk counties are eligible to enter.

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