Tampa Bay Times Newspaper in Education program wins national awards

Three curriculum supplements produced by the Tampa Bay Times Newspaper in Education program (NIE) have been recognized with national awards in the National Newspaper Association’s 2014 Newspaper And Education Contest.

The NIE curriculum supplement A Parent's Guide to the Affordable Care Act won First Place in the Newspapers Supporting Education & Civic Literacy category.

This bilingual English/Spanish publication is intended to help parents understand the basics of the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare), including what the ACA means to children and families. The judges commented, “The Tampa Bay Times continues its reputation for high impact/saturation-circulation efforts to bring valuable, and most importantly, accurate information about the Affordable Care Act to low income families.” A Parent's Guide to the Affordable Care Act was created in partnership with Allegany Franciscan Ministries.

The NIE curriculum supplement Wicked Garden won Second Place in the Traditional NIE Stories and Curriculum - Partnerships category.

Almost one in ten Florida high school students has misused prescription pain relievers or prescription amphetamines. Wicked Garden presents the facts and reveals the myths about prescription drug abuse/misuse and provides resources for educators, students and parents. Wicked Garden was created in partnership with the AMA Foundation and All Children’s Hospital.

The NIE curriculum supplement Charting the Land of Flowers: 500 Years of Florida Maps received an Honorable Mention in the Traditional NIE Stories and Curriculum - Educational Support category.

For millennia, maps have shaped how we see the world, leading us to new places and ideas. Science, technology, culture, economics, politics, art and history – all of these can be found in maps. This publication, based on the 2014 Tampa Bay History Center exhibit of the same name, focuses on maps as informational text. Charting the Land of Flowers was created in partnership with the Tampa Bay History Center and the Florida Humanities Council.

The Newspaper And Education award recognizes newspapers that have chosen an important civic literacy, journalism education or school support program and assisted in its success through use of the newspaper's various resources. Winners will be recognized at NNA’s Annual Convention & Trade Show in San Antonio, TX, Oct. 2-5, 2014. Visit nnaweb.org for a full list of winners.