

Allison Yocum
Wendell Krinn Technical High School, Pasco County
2025 Honorable Mention

Allison teaches in the Transition Education Program at Wendell Krinn Technical High School in Pasco County.

The Transition Education Program helps exceptional students prepare for the transition from school to adult life. Allison teaches ESE students aged 18-22.

She was chosen as a 2025 Honorable Mention for using the Tampa Bay Times to help her students learn essential work, employment and life skills.

For example, Allison uses Wednesday's grocery flyers to teach shopping and budgeting. Students create shopping lists and are tasked with finding a minimum of 10 coupons or deals, helping them develop practical financial skills.

She also uses the event listings in *tbt** Weekend to provide students with opportunities to engage with their community and foster a sense of involvement and connection.

Finally, Allison uses the newspaper to plan Community-Based Instruction field trips, providing real-world learning experiences.

