

Noteworthy

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There is much to share within our Imagine Schools family, and Noteworthy is a great way to stay connected. In this eNote, you can enjoy a quick recap of the latest happenings within Imagine Schools. To share your news, please email rhonda.cagle@imageschools.com.

Imagine Knows How to “Mix It Up!”

Imagine Broward in Coral Springs, FL and Imagine Cortez Park in Phoenix, AZ were recently recognized as Mix It Up Model Schools by Teaching Tolerance, a project of the Southern Poverty Law Center. This recognition is based upon the schools embracing respect and inclusiveness as core values all year long and celebrating this at a “Mix It Up at Lunch Day” event.

These events included seminars on respect and dignity, student research projects, and presentations to staff and guests.

Congratulations to both campuses!



Imagine Offers Summer ENCORE

Summer break is often associated with vacations and “down time” for students. But research shows that students can lose as much as one month of learning over the summer. These losses can be significant for students who lack print-rich materials at home or opportunities for camp, library outings, and other activities that promote reading and math during summer months.

To help our campuses address this “summer slump,” Imagine Schools researched effective summer school and enrichment programs and worked with a nationwide task force of our educators to create a solution. The results are found in *ENCORE*, our proprietary K-5 enrichment

program, with daily lesson plans organized into thematic units in Reading, Mathematics, Visual Arts, and Performing Arts. *ENCORE* provides excellent project-based lesson plans to enrich the core reading and math curriculum used in most summer and remediation programs.

To offer added value to our network of schools, Imagine Schools is making this curriculum available free of charge to all Imagine campuses. Additionally, the *ENCORE* program is designed to offer flexibility that compliments existing summer and



after-school programs and requires materials that generally are available at your school, at local libraries, and online.

Stephania Sherman, Academic Director in Florida, emphasizes the program’s ability to enrich literary experiences while also providing summer fun for students. She notes the visual and performing arts aspects as well as engaging activities that reinforce reading and math skills.

To learn more about *ENCORE*, please contact Karen Gayle at Karen.Gayle@imageschools.com.

