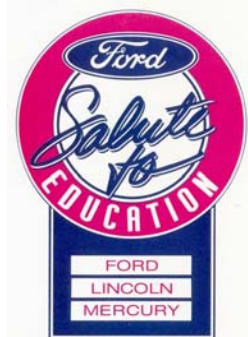


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South Florida Ford and Lincoln Mercury Dealers Award \$1,000 Scholarships to 80 Broward County High School Graduates

The 80 scholarship winners were recently honored at the 15th Annual Salute to Education Scholarship Awards Ceremony held at FIU

Miami, FL (June 7, 2009) – *Salute to Education, Inc.*, a scholarship program created and funded by the 19 South Florida Ford and Lincoln Mercury dealers and Ford Motor Company, is pleased to announce that they have awarded \$1,000 scholarships to 80 high school graduates in Broward County. The South Florida Ford and Lincoln Mercury dealers are committed to continue supporting South Florida students with their post secondary education, even during these difficult economic times.

Salute to Education, Inc., established in 1994, is a non-profit organization funded through dealership contributions and corporate support from Ford Division, Lincoln Mercury Division, Ford Credit and Ford Customer Service Division. In addition, the program receives support from a Scholarship Committee composed of Ford and Lincoln Mercury dealers and business, educational and civic leaders. Community volunteer participation has been an integral part of the campaign's success. **Salute to Education is one of the largest private scholarship programs in South Florida and has awarded more than \$3.1 million in scholarships to more than 3,200 deserving public and private high school seniors in both Broward and Miami-Dade County.**

The 80 winners from Broward County will be recently recognized at the 15th annual **Salute to Education Awards Ceremony** which took place at the FIU Graham Center in Miami, Florida. Mr. Ken Czabay, Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Ford Motor Company and the newly elected president of Florida International University, Dr. Mark Rosenberg, served as guest speakers at the event and inspired the scholarship winners to continue their hard work in and out of the classroom in the coming years.

Below are the names of the 80 Salute to Education Broward scholarship winners separated by school and the category in which the student won the scholarship in:

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| - American Heritage School | Sara White
Paulina Mustafa
Rohit Thummalapalli
Rafael Perez | <i>Athletics</i>
<i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i>
<i>Natural Science</i>
<i>Social Science</i> |
| - Archbishop Edward A. McCarthy High | Sarah Moeller | <i>Leadership/Service</i> |
| - Blanche Ely High | Brittani Carr | <i>Vocational/Technical</i> |
| - Boyd H. Anderson High | Kevin Prival | <i>Leadership/Service</i> |
| - Broward Virtual School | Patrick Kachikis | <i>Performing/Visual Arts</i> |

- Cardinal Gibbons High	Alexandra Vitale	<i>Social Science</i>
- Charles W. Flanagan High	Chanel-Leilani Ortiz Anthony Anaya	<i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Performing/Visual Arts</i>
- Coconut Creek High	Tamara Narine Yves Elifils Chau Bui Magaly Guzman	<i>Athletics</i> <i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i> <i>Math/Computer Science</i> <i>Performing/Visual Arts</i>
- College Academy at BCC	Angie Joseph Ryan Walker Kyle Stone	<i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i> <i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Social Science</i>
- Cooper City High	Danielle Valin Santiago Rodriguez Crystal Marietta Daniel Osman	<i>Athletics</i> <i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i> <i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Social Science</i>
- Coral Glades High	Marie Mercado	<i>Performing/Visual Arts</i>
- Coral Springs High	Lindsey Leach Travis Nelson	<i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i> <i>Natural Science</i>
- Cypress Bay High	Anandi Guevara	<i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i>
- David Posnack Hebrew Day School	Alex Englander	<i>Leadership/Service</i>
- Deerfield Beach High	Roque Azpurua Fatima Amiruddin Tammy Noel Spencer Lott	<i>Athletics</i> <i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i> <i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Natural Science</i>
- Dillard High	Danielle Lyons	<i>Athletics</i>
- Everglades High	Santrell Atkins	<i>Athletics</i>
- Ft. Lauderdale High	Andrew Rodriguez	<i>Leadership/Service</i>
- Hallandale High	Luis Roca Casey Jostine Donaya Hamilton	<i>Social Science</i> <i>Performing/Visual Arts</i> <i>Vocational/Technical</i>
- Hollywood Hills High	Jefferson Sanchez Vasha Samaroo	<i>Natural Science</i> <i>Vocational/Technical</i>
- J.P. Taravella High	Katie Gillen	<i>Leadership/Service</i>
- Marjory Stoneman Douglas High	Tasha Sandoval Amir Ferouz	<i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i> <i>Natural Science</i>
- Miramar High	Jhenell Matthews-Allison Metri Williams	<i>Athletics</i> <i>Leadership/Service</i>

- Monarch High	Thales Ferreira Meling Horton Livingston Graham Hilary Borris	<i>Athletics</i> <i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Math/Computer Science</i> <i>Vocational/Technical</i>
- North Broward Preparatory School	Alec Rubenstein Brittany Rich	<i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Vocational/Technical</i>
- Northeast High	Jessica Steffan	<i>Athletics</i>
- Piper High	Sabrina Martiello Hillary Rodgers Cynthia Rogers Sean Chinn	<i>Math/Computer Science</i> <i>Natural Science</i> <i>Social Science</i> <i>Performing/Visual Arts</i>
- Pompano Beach High	Jacqueline Babb Anna Fayfer Marisa Gottesman Chris Ruden Jennifer Wong	<i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Natural Science</i> <i>Social Science</i> <i>Performing/Visual Arts</i> <i>Vocational/Technical</i>
- South Broward High	Jackeline Vilomar Rajeswari Murugan Craig Lockhart	<i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Math/Computer Science</i> <i>Social Science</i>
- South Plantation High	Erin Tupper	<i>Leadership/Service</i>
- St. Thomas Aquinas High School	Joseph Beguiristain James Robison Amber Hoang Gabiella La Rocca	<i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i> <i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Math/Computer Science</i> <i>Performing/Visual Arts</i>
- Stranahan High	Crystal Dudley Bryan Amador Sophronie Dantica Kendra Wilson	<i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Math/Computer Science</i> <i>Natural Science</i> <i>Vocational/Technical</i>
- University School of Nova Southeastern	Jenna Iden	<i>Performing/Visual Arts</i>
- Western High School	Joseph Veingrad	<i>Math/Computer Science</i>
- Westminster Academy	Ashlee Madhukar	<i>Performing/Visual Arts</i>
- William T. McFatter Technical High	Gabriela Proano Aurelie Mathieu Stephanie Gomez Dorian Kersch Anita Singh	<i>Athletics</i> <i>Language Arts/Foreign Language</i> <i>Leadership/Service</i> <i>Math/Computer Science</i> <i>Vocational/Technical</i>