

Do the Right Thing Honorees

Kaja Aiken, Murdock Middle, Grade 6 (MMS 15-16, LES 14-15)

Kaja was honored for her quick actions and being responsible when she noticed a brush fire on her street was dangerously close to houses. Kaja called 911 and then alerted her neighbors by knocking on their doors. When one neighbor did not answer the door, Kaja went inside and woke the sleeping neighbor.

Max Anderson, Punta Gorda Middle School, Grade 6 (PGMS 15-16, DCES 14-15)

Max was honored for his assistance in helping a bus driver when a physical altercation broke out on the school bus. Max jumped into action by restraining the aggressor until the bus driver was able to safely pull over the bus over and come to the back to separate the students.

Danielle Handwork, Lemon Bay High, Grade 9 (LBHS 15-16, LAAM 14-15)

Danielle was honored for her quick actions when there was a medical emergency in her classroom. She assisted the teacher by contacting emergency personnel while the teacher took care of the other students. As a result, the efficient team work led to the safety of the child in distress.

De'Otishea Whitfield, East Elementary, Grade 5

De'otishea was honored when he returned a cell phone to a student who left it in the Interactive Center. He didn't know anyone was watching him when he did this kind act.

Gavin Morgan, Meadow Park Elementary, Grade 4

Gavin was honored for alerting his mom when another student told him he had a weapon on the campus. Gavin's mother called the school and even though Gavin did not know the name of the student, he was able to give a great description and the student was found.