

CITY OF WESTLAKE



REVISED - AGENDA

Education and Youth Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Westlake Council Chambers, 4005
Seminole Pratt Whitney Road Westlake,
Florida 33470

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<https://www.westlakegov.com/cityclerk/page/covid-19-public-meetings>

[TENTATIVE: SUBJECT TO REVISION]

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OATH OF OFFICE

- A. Earle Wright, Alternate Board Member

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2021 - Education and Youth Advisory Board Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

PRESENTATIONS

- A. Discussion/Presentation - Education and Legislation (15 minutes)
Presented By: Ella Gilbert, Esq.
- B. Discussion/Presentation S.B. 200 - Student Retention (15 minutes)
Presented By: Senator Lori Berman
- C. School Update/Overview - Golden Grove Elementary School (15 minutes)
Presented By: Linda F. Edgecomb, Principal
- D. School Update/Overview - Acreage Pines Elementary (15 minutes)
Presented By: Darline Karbowski, Principal

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Selecting a Youth Member Representative

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS/UPDATES

ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting (Subject to Change or be Cancelled): **TBD**

NOTICE: If a person, firm or corporation decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, you will need a record of the proceedings, and you may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (The above notice is required by State Law. Anyone desiring a verbatim transcript shall have the responsibility, at his own cost, to arrange for the transcript). The City of Westlake does not prepare or provide such verbatim record.

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AGENDA POSTED: March 04, 2021, REVISED March 10, 2021

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MINUTES - DRAFT

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A meeting of the City of Westlake's Education & Youth Advisory Board was held on Thursday, January 28, 2021 at 6:30 PM., at the Westlake Community Center, 4005 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road.

As a preliminary matter, Ms. Burgess noted that Board Members Julie Acevedo, Jennifer Bermudez, Lisa Liriano, Wesley Logsdon and Robin Medvetz were present physically. Alternate Board Member, Earle Wright, was present via communications media technology.

Ms. Burgess also noted that Vice Mayor Katrina Long-Robinson was present physically along with staff members City Manager, Kenneth Cassel, City Attorney Pam Booker, City Clerk Zoie Burgess and Deputy City Clerk Jomekeyia McNeil.

Ms. Burgess identified guest speaker on the Agenda, Mrs. Marcia Andrews, Palm Beach County School Board District 6 Board Member is present and via communications media technology.

Ms. Burgess provided further instruction regarding public comments, noting that comments will be acknowledged by the Mayor and accepted at the appropriate times as indicated in the Agenda and those who wish to speak may use the "virtual" hand raise feature.

Ms. Burgess provided the disclaimer that the meeting is being recorded by both voice and video, reminding the audience that microphones are live.

Ms. Burgess further explained that microphones will be muted; audience members have the ability to unmute themselves and anyone that has called in should mute their device. Ms. Burgess noted that anyone causing a disruption or being inappropriate will be removed from the meeting.

Ms. Burgess welcomed all to the inaugural board meeting for the City of Westlake's Education & Youth Advisory Board Meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

City Clerk Burgess called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present and constituting a quorum were:

Board Member Julie Acevedo
Board Member Jennifer Bermudez
Board Member Lisa Liriano
Board Member Wesley Logsdon
Board Member Robin Medvetz

Also, present:
Kenneth Cassel, City Manager
Pam E. Booker, Esq., City Attorney
Zoie P. Burgess, CMC, City Clerk
Jomekeyia McNeil, Deputy City Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE

- A. Robin Medvetz, Regular Board Member

Ms. Burgess swore in Board Member Robin Medvetz.

- B. Earle Wright, Alternate Board Member

Board Member Earle Wright was not physically in attendance. Ms. Burgess advised that he would be sworn in at a later date.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On Motion by Board Member Logsdon to approve the agenda as presented, Seconded by Board Member Bermudez.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Board Member Acevedo	YES
Board Member Bermudez	YES
Board Member Liriano	YES
Board Member Logsdon	YES
Board Member Medvetz	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

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The floor was opened to public comments.

Mr. Cassel welcomed the Board. He mentioned the agreement being worked out between the City and the Palm Beach County School Board to not divide the PODS for school zoning. He said that we are working with the district on plats and addressing. He thanked the Board members for serving.

Vice Mayor Long-Robinson thanked the Board for their decision to serve. She said that she encourages and uplifts our principals and staff, as we go through this digital divide. She mentioned that she will not be in attendance at the meetings, but she will be listening in. She congratulated the members for making history for Westlake as being the first Board Members to serve.

Ms. Burgess gave the virtual participants a moment to raise a virtual hand or unmute their devices and provided a reminder to state name and address.

There being no further comments, the next item followed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There being no Minutes, the next item followed.

PRESENTATIONS

There being no Presentations to approve, the next item followed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There being no Unfinished Business to approve, the next item followed.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Introduction and Welcome - Mrs. Marcia Andrews, District 6 - Palm Beach County School Board

Ms. Burgess introduced and welcomed Marcia Andrews, District 6 Board Member for the Palm Beach County School District.

Vice Mayor Long-Robinson said that Ms. Andrews is a longtime educator, former teacher, former Assistant Principal for the District. She said that the Western Community has a very robust Education Advisory Committee in the area. She mentioned that she and Mrs. Andrews have a meeting tomorrow about something that they are hoping to introduce into the area. She noted that Mrs. Andrews is a committed leader that is accessible and reachable, and she encouraged the Board to reach out to Mrs. Andrews.

Marcia Andrews, District 6 Board Member for the Palm Beach County School District greeted and welcomed all the members to the Board. She said that this is a dream come true. She is honored to be the Board Member for District 6 and noted the boundary areas of the district. She stated that she is available for support as she is active in the District.

Mrs. Andrews said that it is truly important that the Board be an active partner with the Palm Beach County School District. She noted that the City, parents, students, and schools belong to the Board. She said that as the Education Advisory Board the communication, networking, goals and objective as it relates to student achievement and community involves education as the main issue of importance for all children in the community.

Mrs. Andrews mentioned that the area schools in Westlake and the Acreage area are excellent and have an "A" rating and have maintained the rating for some time now. She noted that the District is thrilled to know that they will be working with the Board closely. She noted that she is always available to attend meetings along with District staff as this is what they have been doing for the past 11 years since she has been on the Board. She mentioned that whenever there is an Education Advisory Board in District 6, the District is there for the Board. She will be marking her calendar to attend meetings as well as inviting the support team.

Mrs. Andrews advised that the Board may contact her and recommend what the Board would like for the School District to address as it relates to student achievement and progress for the students in the Westlake and surrounding areas. She stated that the communication and dialogue is important as we move forward.

B. Nomination of Chairperson

Ms. Burgess opened the floor for Chair nominations.

Ms. Burgess opened the floor for nominations for Board Chair. She advised the members of the Board that they could nominate themselves if they wish to serve.

Mr. Logsdon inquired if anyone wanted to be Board Chair.

Ms. Acevedo inquired on the rules and responsibilities.

Ms. Bermudez asked for an explanation of what is expected of the Board Chair.

Ms. Burgess asked Board Attorney to give an explanation.

Ms. Booker explained the purpose of the Chair and the commitment. She advised that if the Board has any questions, she and the City Clerk are available.

Ms. Burgess opened the floor for Chair nominations.

Ms. Booker advised the Board that both she and the City Clerk are available to assist.

Ms. Bermudez nominated herself.

Ms. Burgess stated that Ms. Bermudez is nominated for Chair and asked if there are any further nominations.

Ms. Burgess asked if there are any further nominations for the Chair. Noting that if all nominations were received, the opportunity for nominations was closed and the nomination is up for a roll call vote.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Board Member Acevedo	YES
Board Member Bermudez	YES
Board Member Liriano	YES
Board Member Logsdon	YES
Board Member Medvetz	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

C. Nomination of Vice Chairperson

Ms. Burgess opened the floor and called for any nominations for Vice Chair.

Ms. Burgess asked for nominations.

Mr. Wright nominated Ms. Medvetz.

Ms. Medvetz responded okay at the same time.

Ms. Burgess said that Ms. Medvetz has two nominations.

Ms. Booker explained the roll of Vice Chair in the absence of the Board Chair.

Ms. Medvetz agreed.

Ms. Burgess asked if there are any further nominations for the Vice Chair. Noting that if all nominations were received, the opportunity for nominations was closed and the nomination is up for a roll call vote.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Board Member Acevedo	YES
Board Member Bermudez	YES
Board Member Liriano	YES
Board Member Logsdon	YES
Board Member Medvetz	YES

With all in favor, Motion carries without dissent (5-0).

D. Discussion - Selecting a Youth Member Representative

Chair Bermudez opened the meeting for the next business

Ms. Burgess said that the Board would need to determine how to bring on the Youth Member Representative. She asked for suggestions on how to move forward with the Seminole Ridge High School to select a Youth Advisory Member.

Ms. Medvetz said that Mr. Wright would be the best person to ask.

Mr. Logsdon suggested having a High School Junior serve. He said that a student tied to the Westlake community and one who is looking for community service hours.

Ms. Acevedo said that she could reach out to the guidance counselors to provide names of students seeking community service hours as well as based on grade point averages.

Mr. Logsdon suggested that the Board look at students who reside in the Westlake area and community.

Ms. Burgess inquired on the grade level.

Mr. Logsdon responded a sophomore junior grade level.

Ms. Burgess clarified the criteria with the Board as to what they are seeking in the applicant. She said that she could reach out to high school principal for recommends on students if it is okay with the Board.

The Board responded yes.

Ms. Booker recommended that Ms. Burgess have the Board consider selecting from three applicants.

Chair Bermudez said that it would be good to have a selection of students to choose from.

Mr. Wright commented that there are a couple of students that met that criteria.

Ms. Acevedo suggested having students involved in government and those that display leadership qualities.

Mr. Logsdon said that he would like to have an application process.

Ms. Burgess inquired whether the Board had any additional criteria.

Further Board discussion on criteria.

E. Discussion - Future Meeting Dates

Chair Bermudez asked the Board for suggestions for future meeting dates.

Ms. Burgess noted that a copy of the District Calendar and Testing Schedule has been provided to the Board. She advised the Board to keep in mind the dates just in case the meeting dates need to be altered.

Chair Bermudez suggested meeting every second Thursday of the month.

Ms. Booker noted that the meeting dates do not have to be held at the end of the month. She said that applications can be gathered in February; this would give the Board the opportunity to reach out to Ms. Andrews to get similar input on other Education Boards in the areas. She said that the Board can meet in March to evaluate the applicants and have a better feel for the direction.

Chair Bermudez suggested meeting the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM effective March 11, 2021.

Ms. Burgess confirmed that the future meetings will be held the second Thursday of the month starting at 6:30 PM March 11, 2021.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS/UPDATES

Chair Bermudez opened the floor for comments, reports, updates.

Ms. Burgess stated that if there were any comments or additional initiatives that the Board would like to set, now would be a good time to suggest. She noted that if the Board would like to have time to think about it in February they could do so.

Ms. Bermudez mentioned that she would like the Board to discuss at the March meeting.

Ms. Burgess confirmed and the Board agreed.

Ms. Burgess advised that the Board could email the initiatives to be added to the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Bermudez adjourned the meeting at 7:03 PM.

Zoie P. Burgess, City Clerk

Jennifer Bermudez, Chair



Education and Youth Advisory Student Representative Application

DATE:	2/18/21	NAME:	Jessica Bryant		
PHONE:	(561)-779-3389	E-MAIL:	jessieb100604@gmail.com		
Your Grade in 2021/2022:	10th	GPA:	3.7	Do you reside in the City of Westlake?	no
Are you currently involved in any youth organizations, clubs, or activities? If so, please list.					
Yes, I am a member of Student Government at Seminole Ridge High School, I am in the Go Green Club, I am a member of the Girls' Weightlifting team, I am also in Women's Empowerment Club.					
Why do you want to volunteer with the Education and Youth and Advisory Board?					
I would like to volunteer with the Education and Youth and Advisory Board because it gives me a chance to make a difference and better the community of West Lake as well as to the school district.					
What can you contribute to the Education and Youth Advisory Board?					
I can contribute any ideas I may have, attending every meeting in person, and helping out with whatever is needed.					
What qualities do you possess ?(e.g., leadership)					
I am very hardworking, committed, dedicated, determined, i like to be challenged, i have very good leadership skills and delegation skills.					
List extracurricular activities, your role, and your favorite accomplishments in each:					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • girls weight lifting at srhs- favorite accomplishment- qualifying for regionals as a freshman in 2020 • winning 2nd place at our state meeting for my committee's environmental awareness project in 2020 • winning 2nd place for a membership motivation project at our district meeting in 2021 • qualifying for regionals horse show at a senior level while at a junior age for 4H 2018 					
Parent/Guardian Name:	Nancy Coggin		Phone:	(561)-568-9440	
Address:	10436 Ibis Reserve Circle, West Palm Beach, FL				
Parent/Guardian Email:	bryantnancy82@yahoo.com				

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Please initial next to each requirement indicating that you have read and agreed to our policies.

I, Jessica Bryant,

JB Will be punctual for all programs and meetings and will give notice to the Education and Youth Advisory Board as soon as possible if I am unable to perform my duties.

JB Will show respect to everyone with whom I work.

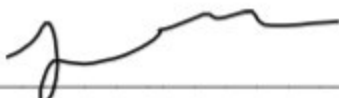
JB Will complete assigned tasks to the best of my abilities for the Education and Youth Advisory Board.

JB Will be enthusiastic about volunteering and conduct myself in a professional manner.

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I certify that all statements in this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statements will subject me to disqualification or dismissal. I have read and initialed each item in the Board Member acknowledgment and agree to adhere to these policies. I am aware that being a representative of the Education and Youth Advisory Board requires a commitment to participate in a monthly meeting to be held starting at 6:30pm or thereafter.

Printed Name Jessica Bryant

Applicant/Youth Representative  **Date:** 2/18/21

For Parent/Guardian: As the legal guardian of the participant of the Education and Youth Advisory Board, I also adhere to these policies. I understand that my teen is expected to attend all meetings and is responsible for any additional hours for which they agree to work. As their guardian, I agree to ensure that they are able to participate in meetings.

Printed Name Nancy Coggin

Parent/Guardian Signature:  **Date:** 2/18/21



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YES, I give permission NO, I do not give permission

Printed Name Nancy Coggin

Parent/Guardian Signature:  Date: 2/18/21

JESSICA BRYANT

PROFILE

I am a 10th grade student involved in student Government

SKILLS

Hard working
Leadership skills
committed

CHARACTER REFERENCES

Julia Bryant
(561)-479-9494
bryantjulia13@gmail.com

HOW TO REACH ME

cell: 561-779-3389
Email: jessieb100604@gmail.com
Address: 8116 apache blvd, Loxahatchee, FL

CAREER SUMMARY

I have spent the past 8 years volunteering at a local barn, giving out lessons to younger kids, cleaning up around the barn, and working the horses there.

I have also volunteered my time to community cleanups as well as helping out with donation drives.

EDUCATIONAL TRAINING

Seminole Ridge High School

- 10th grade representative of the class of 2023 Student Government
- Member of the Accipiter Program
- Member of the Weightlifting team
- Member of women's empowerment Club
- Member of Go Green Club



Education and Youth Advisory Board Student Representative Packet

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What Do We Look for In A Student Representative?

Grade level: Sophomore/Junior

The Student Representative is enthusiastic about sharing their ideas and are committed to volunteering and participating with the Board. Have an interest in government, leadership and civic engagement.

Ability to participate in meetings in-person or virtually.

Education and Youth Advisory Board Student Representative Checklist:

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Education and Youth Advisory Student Representative Application

DATE:	2/22/2021	NAME:	lindsay ogden		
PHONE:	561-312-9145	E-MAIL:	lindsayo129@yahoo.com		
Your Grade in 2021/2022:	11th	GPA:	4.67	Do you reside in the City of Westlake?	no
Are you currently involved in any youth organizations, clubs, or activities? If so, please list.					
I am affiliated with the Lake Lytal Softball program, before previously being engaged with the Acreage Athletic League. At my school I am apart of the Dance Marathon Leadership Team, Student Government, Varsity Softball, and Go Green Club					
Why do you want to volunteer with the Education and Youth and Advisory Board?					
I believe it is important for my peers to be able to have a voice in their community, even outside of school. I am a very involved and driven student that would like to help in my best way possible. I would also like a better understanding of how our community is run, how issues are brought up/resolved, and help bring a teens perspective to the table.					
What can you contribute to the Education and Youth Advisory Board?					
As previously stated, I am involved in many clubs around my schools campus, therefore, I have a diverse background that allows me to communicate with many of my peers, including addressing wants, issues, concerns, etc. Also, I am a very active on social media so I am able to spread word of news to the community or bring others together through the internet.					
What qualities do you possess ?(e.g., leadership)					
I am a team player, active listener, and great communicator. Being on a softball team and being involved in extracurriculars since elementary school has taught me almost all qualities as a person that I currently possess. I am someone who can easily compromise, but not let my point get blown over upon. I have the ability to take charge in order to see things thought through and executed.					
List extracurricular activities, your role, and your favorite accomplishments in each:					
Varsity Softball player, and my favorite accomplishment is staying calm and winning an important season opening game against our rival team. Also, I am a co-overall of the "Go Green Club" at our school and my favorite accomplishment is being able to bring together students for campus cleanups and making them realize how out of shape our courtyards were due to garbage. I am a C/O 2023 treasurer for my Student Government and my favorite accomplishment is taking home first place in our school service project in our county.					
Parent/Guardian Name:	Londa Ogden		Phone:	561-315-0119	
Address:	17391 64th Place North, Loxahatchee, Florida				
Parent/Guardian Email:	Lonmermaid@bellsouth.net				

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Printed Name LONDA OGDEN

Parent/Guardian Signature: londa haycock-ogden **Date:** 2/22/2021



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^{yes} YES, I give permission NO, I do not give permission

Printed Name LINDSAY OGDEN

Parent/Guardian Signature: londa haycock-ogden **Date:** 2/22/2021

LINDSAY OGDEN

OBJECTIVE

To sit on the Westlake Education and Youth Advisory Board in order to ensure that the voice of my peers is heard. I will use my prior experience to work with fellow board members to solve the pressing matters of the community.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

*Student Government Association
2020-Current
Class of 2023 Treasurer*

*Dance Marathon 2019-Current
Member of the Leadership Team*

*Softball Team 2019-Current
Varsity Team Member*

*Go Green Club 2020-Current
Co-Overall*

EDUCATION

*Seminole Ridge Community
High School 2019-Current*

ACHEIVEMENTS

3.93 GPA

4.67 HPA

Ranked 28 out 569 students

*1st place for School Service project
at the 2021 District Competition*

PERSONAL SKILLS

- Organization
- Time Management
- Planning
- Collaborate well with peers
- Problem solving
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Education and Youth Advisory Student Representative Application

DATE:	March 8, 2021	NAME:	Thomas Karbowski	
PHONE:	561-267-2555	E-MAIL:	gataki19@outlook.com	
Your Grade in 2021/2022:	11	GPA:	4.66	Do you reside in the City of Westlake? Yes
Are you currently involved in any youth organizations, clubs, or activities? If so, please list.				
I am currently a member of the National Honor Society, the SRHS Accipiter				
Why do you want to volunteer with the Education and Youth and Advisory Board?				
I feel that students need a voice. High school students today have faced challenges beyond any generation before us. I have always been a person who stands up for others and I am able to voice my thoughts well. I have lived in Westlake for two years and already seen many changes. My social studies classes, especially civics, have been a good lesson about how important it is for government to hear and represent people.				
What can you contribute to the Education and Youth Advisory Board?				
I am a well-rounded person. I volunteer, I play sports, and I am in clubs. I am an honor student, but I work very hard for my grades. I understand that I have classmates that are just like me and some that do not have the many positive things that I have in my life. Seeing my mom work at a school, I understand how hard it is for many students. I was also a resident of the first neighborhood in Westlake and I see how fast our city is changing. I want to make sure that we are making the right changes while we grow.				
What qualities do you possess ?(e.g., leadership)				
I am a good communicator. I do well in school and I especially like history and social studies. I am often called on to be a leader in my classes during projects and activities. I have traveled in our country a great deal and understand how diverse our country and our neighborhood are.				
List extracurricular activities, your role, and your favorite accomplishments in each:				
National Honor Society- I am being inducted this week, but seeing my hard work recognized Football- Making new friends and becoming a leader Weightlifting- Qualifying for districts, even though it was cancelled because of COVID				
Parent/Guardian Name:	Darline Karbowski		Phone:	954-632-5517
Address:	5948 Buttonbush Drive Westlake, FL 33470			
Parent/Guardian Email:	karbodar@att.net			

This application, with the Acknowledgement form and resume may be e-mailed to the Deputy City Clerk, Jomekeyia McNeil: Jmcneil@westlakegov.com or by mail: City of Westlake, City Clerk's Office 4001 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road, Westlake, Florida 33470.



Education and Youth Advisory Board Acknowledgment Form

Please initial next to each requirement indicating that you have read and agreed to our policies.

I, Thomas Karbowski,

- TK Will be punctual for all programs and meetings and will give notice to the Education and Youth Advisory Board as soon as possible if I am unable to perform my duties.
- TK Will show respect to everyone with whom I work.
- TK Will complete assigned tasks to the best of my abilities for the Education and Youth Advisory Board.
- TK Will be enthusiastic about volunteering and conduct myself in a professional manner.

Failure to comply will result in removal from the Education and Youth Advisory Board.

I certify that all statements in this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statements will subject me to disqualification or dismissal. I have read and initialed each item in the Board Member acknowledgment and agree to adhere to these policies. I am aware that being a representative of the Education and Youth Advisory Board requires a commitment to participate in a monthly meeting to be held starting at 6:30pm or thereafter.

Printed Name Thomas Karbowski

Applicant/Youth Representative Thomas Karbowski Date: 3/8/21

For Parent/Guardian: As the legal guardian of the participant of the Education and Youth Advisory Board, I also adhere to these policies. I understand that my teen is expected to attend all meetings and is responsible for any additional hours for which they agree to work. As their guardian, I agree to ensure that they are able to participate in meetings.

Printed Name Darline Karbowski

Parent/Guardian Signature: DWko Date: 3/8/21



Education and Youth Advisory Board Acknowledgment Form

Media Release

Parental consent for release of student photograph and information: I hereby give permission for the Education and Youth Advisory Board, City to use my child's photograph, video image, writing, voice recording, name, grade level, school name, to web sites, social media sites, etc. and/or similar Education and Youth Advisory Board, or similar City sponsored publications in the City approved news media interviews, releases, articles, and photographs.

YES, I give permission NO, I do not give permission

Printed Name Darline Karbowski

Parent/Guardian Signature: D. Karbowski Date: 3/8/21

Thomas J. Karbowski
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EDUCATION

Seminole Ridge Community High School • August 2019- Present
Palm Beach State College • August 2021 (anticipated)

ACADEMICS

AICE Cambridge University coursework

Currently completing rigorous coursework toward the Cambridge AICE diploma

Seminole Ridge High Accipiter Program

Partner program to the AICE program for students demonstrating high academic achievement

Seminole Ridge High School Biotech Program

Currently completing courses that allow me to graduate with industry lab certification

PB state Dual Enrollment (Fall 2021)

Approved to begin taking college classes during the upcoming term

ACHIEVEMENTS

Ben Carson Scholarship 2021

National Honor Society 2021

Currently ranked in top 10% of graduating class 2021

Regional Pop-Warner Scholar Athlete 1st team All-American Scholarship 2018, 2019

National Pop-Warner scholarship 1st team All-American Scholarship 2019

Pop-warner Scholar Athlete National Youth Presenter 2019

Osceola Creek Middle School Top Scholar-Athlete Award 2019

Selected as one of 50 students nationwide to attend Auburn University Summer Veterinary Program 2019

Perfect score award Algebra 1 state examination •State of Florida 2019

Perfect score award civics state examination •State of Florida 2019

Coaches Award •Osceola Creek Middle School Soccer 2010

Principal's Distinguished Honor Roll • Straight A's all three years of middle school 2019

One of 50 students selected nationwide to attend Perdue University Summer Veterinary Program 2019

DUKE TIP Scholar •2017

ACTIVITIES

JV football 2021

Varsity Football 2021

Varsity Weightlifting 2020, 2021

Freshman football 2019

VOLUNTEER

U.S. National Guard School supply drive 2020

Acreage Pines Elementary 2017- Present

City of Westlake Hammocks HOA 2019-Present

Osceola Creek Middle School 2017-2019

Tropical Rainforest Animal Preserve 2019

Reptile Kingdom Sanctuary

References Available Upon Request