ENGAGING OUR COMMUNITY TO APPRECIATE OUR EDUCATORS

What's the current situation for OUR educators?

After Hurricane Michael AND a pandemic, our teachers are facing UNPRECEDENTED CHALLENGES in the classroom. Attendance rates are down, behavioral referrals are up, and staffing concerns remain a very real issue for our schools. Coupled with increasingly difficult family situations, such as substance abuse and housing insecurity, the teachers and staff educating our Bay County students do so much more than teach. These challenges cause many of our teachers to leave the profession. Our students need consistent, high quality teachers to succeed. When our students succeed, BAY COUNTY SUCCEEDS!

In the state of Florida, 40% of new teachers leave the profession within their first five years in the classroom, citing lack of support and low pay as major reasons.

(Florida Education Association)

55% of educators are considering leaving their profession early and 90% consider "teacher burnout" to be a serious problem in education.

How can you help OUR teachers?

Alignment Bay County is seeking community members to sponsor one or more monthly events at seven of our BDS elementary schools (Callaway, Cedar Grove, Cherry Street, Lucille Moore, Patterson, Parker, and Waller). Your organization can choose how you would like to celebrate these teachers and staff. Some ideas are listed below, but we welcome your input! Simply scan the provided QR Code to sign-up.

Thank you for celebrating our teachers and staff at these schools!

Scan Here to Help!



Appreciation Ideas

Coffee K-Cups/Creamer Plants/Flowers Small Gift Cards School Teacher Shirts

Snacks/Drinks for Break Room Catered Lunch or Food Trucks Massages/Manicures/Pedicures Gift Baskets for "Teacher of the Month" **Certificates of Appreciation** Cups/Tumblers with School Logo

ONE CHILD, ONE TEACHER. Can Change the World!

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