



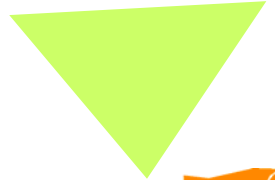
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Welcome New Staff to the Teaching and Leadership Center



The Teaching and Leadership Center extends a warm welcome to Gracie Diaz and Hope Waldman-Targoff. Gracie Diaz is the new Associate Director of the Teaching and Leadership Center. Everyone knows Gracie. She previously served as Director of Instructional Staffing for the School Board of Broward County, Florida. Under her leadership, Instructional Staffing received the Superintendent's Sterling Quality Award for 2004 in the District Department Exemplary Category. TLC is excited to have Gracie serve as the new Associate Director, joining Dr. Robert Parks, Director, in guiding TLC toward providing increased support for student achievement by identifying, recruiting, and developing teachers and school leaders to meet highly effective standards for quality. Hope Waldman-Targoff has joined the TLC family as Program Coordinator. Prior to

joining TLC, Hope was a Personnel Administrator with Instructional Staffing. In this position, she spearheaded recruitment efforts at Experience Broward among other achievements. As TLC Program Coordinator, she will initially focus on coordinating activities for the Digital Education Teacher Academy (DETA). Gracie and Hope will provide their expertise to focus TLC's goal of recruiting the best candidates as prospective Broward teachers.

Hood, Krystal Rainey and Christina Sandler are the inaugural recipients of the *Broward Teacher Fellowship* (BTF). These students completed all requirements of UTAP and will be attending Broward Community College (BCC). The BTF provides a 2+2 Florida Pre-paid college tuition scholarship that covers tuition for 60 hours at BCC and 60 hours of tuition or its equivalent value at one of the participating universities in the Broward Education Consortium. Consortium members include FAU, NSU, BCC and Barry University. Dr. Robert Parks has been instrumental in establishing this fund and developing community and business interest. For further information regarding support for this exciting project contact Michael Long at 754-321-2031 or Sara Rogers at 754-321-2115.



Inaugural Recipients of the Broward Teacher Fellowship
Congratulations to the 2004 Stranahan High School graduates of the *Urban Teacher Academy Program* (UTAP). Jeannie Davilmar, Ashley



FAU Graduates the Broward Teacher Corps' University Cohort with a Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction

Congratulations to the Broward Teacher Corps *University Cohort* students who graduated with their Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction on August 6, 2004. The Broward Teacher Corps awarded twenty-six prospective teachers in January 2003 an opportunity to pursue a Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction while achieving full teacher certification requirements. It has been a successful endeavor. Of the twenty-six candidates, twenty-four graduated with their Master's degree. All twenty-six candidates enrolled in the program have achieved course-by-course certification requirements and are teaching in Broward County schools.

Examination preparation, and placement strategies including interviewing techniques and resume writing. All told, each candidate completed 150 field experience hours with a National Board Certified Teacher. The candidates entered the program full of enthusiasm and commitment. With the endless support and dedication of Dr. Valerie Bristor, Associate Dean of the College of Education, the candidates have done very well indeed.

commitment and hard work of Dr. Elisa Calabrese, Grant Coordinator and Program Developer at TLC, contributed to the success of the Broward Teacher Corps.

Through their higher learning, our teachers improve their teaching skills and thereby benefit and enhance the education of their students in the Title I and Superintendent secondary schools in which they teach.

Congratulations to the following teachers who achieved their Master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction from FAU: Martha Arroyo, Jacqueline Berlin, Sindy Bernot, Samantha Brown, Tommie Butts, Joycelyn Charlotin, Celimar DeJesus, Vernet Delva, Daniela Foerch, Ansell Foster, Veronica Francis, Michelle Green, Dian Holland, Colleen Leonard, Jonathan Lowndes, David Mann, Kimarya Martin, Monique Mitchell-Eames, Marissa Morgan, Stan Scism, Deondre Sims, Leo Smart, Koreen Smith, and Walter Weidler.

In addition to graduate coursework, candidates completed intensive professional development in Effective Teaching Strategies, Classroom and Behavior Management, Critical Content in their subject area, Effective Reading Strategies, General Knowledge Test preparation, Graduate Record

The Broward Teacher Corps is an initiative of Broward County Public Schools for the recruitment and preparation of highly qualified individuals to become secondary teachers in the critical shortage areas of mathematics, science, and English/language arts. The BTC is a successful program that has flourished under the dedication and collaboration of the whole team. The efforts of Dr. Robert Parks, Director of the Teaching and Leadership Center (TLC) on the FAU Davie campus, and the

