March 22, 2019

Dear COE Family:

On behalf of the Florida Education Fund (FEF), it is a pleasure to welcome each of you to the 34th Annual Brain Bowl Competition and National Achievers Society (NAS) Summit. For more than three decades, to help young students realize their full potential while harnessing the power of collective action, the FEF has worked diligently to enhance pre-collegiate educational opportunities, promote cultural awareness and pride, and facilitate parental and community involvement in students’ educational experiences.

I heartily congratulate you, the individuals and teams who have advanced to statewide academic competitions. While these academic games provide a fun, competitive way to reinforce and enhance your motivation, please be reminded that winning a trophy at the end of the game is just a symbol of success, not success itself. Real and lasting success is manifested when you master mathematics and computer science, have a working knowledge of your history and culture, and are able to write and think critically, so you can become leading scientists, artists, physicians, educators, legislators, and guardians of freedom, justice and equality.

To the parents and coaches who voluntarily took time out of their busy work schedules to help prepare students for these competitions, I offer my profound thanks. To the churches, corporations, individuals, and the State of Florida who provided financial support for this year’s competition, thank you. Finally, to the universities and colleges that donated scholarships to winning team members, your contributions will last a lifetime. Thank you.

Again, I congratulate the achievements of the Brain Bowl teams and the National Achievers Society. Enjoy yourselves as you celebrate your accomplishments.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Morehouse, Ph.D.
President and CEO
March 22, 2019

Welcome Achievers, Brain Bowl Competitors, Families, and Supporters.

It is my extreme pleasure to welcome you to the 34th Annual Brain Bowl Competitions and Statewide Summit. It’s an amazing opportunity to be here with all of you to see the knowledge and the community involvement that we share showcased and celebrated. From one Summit to the next, this organization has grown not only in size but in intelligence as well. I would like to commend you on your hard work.

To the Class of 2019, congratulations! I know you have all worked extremely hard to get to this moment. The dedication that you have displayed to your education and to this organization is inspiring. Continue working hard and being excellent and you will achieve many things. After all, once an Achiever, always an Achiever.

I would like to give a special thank you to parents for being there. Your continual support has helped mold us into better people. I know I speak for us all when I say thank you for being there every step of the way. We couldn’t have done it without you.

It has been my pleasure to serve you this past year. Thank you to Ms. Monica Montes and Ms. Lyra Logan from the Florida Education Fund for your support and guidance. Thank you to the Centers of Excellence throughout the state for your efforts in helping Achievers and Believers excel. I know this year’s State Brain Bowl and Summit will be one to remember. Don’t forget: excellence starts with us. Enter this weekend with your head held high and know that you are excellent no matter what.

Best Regards,

Samantha K. Lujan  
NAS State President

Samantha is currently a junior at Fort Lauderdale High School in Broward County, Florida.
# 34th Annual Statewide Brain Bowl Competition & Florida National Achievers Society Summit

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Grades 9-12: Teen Summit, *NAS Leaders*  
Parents: Town Hall on Best Parent Practices, *NAS Parents* |  |
| 1:50–4:00 p.m. | **NAS Summit Closing Ceremony**  
Awards/Recognitions: *Lyra Logan, Esq.*, Executive Vice President & General Counsel, FEF  
*Samantha Lujan*, NAS State President  
*Avona Randolph*, NAS State Vice President  
Talent Extravaganza: *Serenity Billings-Larson*, President, NAS UCF-McKnight COE, Apopka Chapter  
*Erin Vinson*, President, NAS UCF-McKnight COE, Orange County  
*Marcel Baez*, President, NAS UCF-McKnight COE, Seminole County  
Farewell: *Samantha Lujan*, NAS State President | *Salon D-E* |
| 4:15–4:45 p.m. | **Scholarship Awardees Meeting**  
(immediately after Closing Ceremony for History and Culture and 11th-12th Grade Math 1st-3rd place teams) | *Cypress Room-2nd Floor* |

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**Embassy Suites**

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Team Rosters

History & Culture

ATLANTIC COAST COE
PLANTATION HIGH COLONELS
Sponsor: Mentoring Tomorrows Leaders
Captain: Naelie Louis Pierre
Co-Captain: Nephtalie Louis Pierre
Bianca Charles
Yvenson Elizer
Yashema Reuben
Layten Rorie
Coach: Fania Desinord

NORTH FLORIDA COE
DREAM CATCHER
Sponsor: North Florida COE
Captain: Haleigh Lake
Co-Captain: Avona Randolph
Kabreon Allen
Tyra Bennett
Anitra Borroto
Rico Washington
Coach: Jeaneen Brinson

PALM BEACH COUNTY COE
PALM BEACH MAVERICKS
Sponsor: Urban League of Palm Beach County
Captain: Aniqa Ahmed
Co-Captain: Sterling Shipp
Hana Ali
Shiyanna McLeod
Jada Milton
Kenneth Prochette
Wendon Roberts
Coach: Bruna Herbert

PASCO-HERNANDO COE
WOMEN IN BLACK
Sponsor: Sherman Milton Florida Heritage Real Estate Group
Captain: Kendyl Geathers
Co-Captain: Re’Yasia West
Raglan Pickett
Courtnee Scott
Adelitta Stanton
Leila Tirone
Ja’Quala Woods
Coaches: Brenda Joyce Barker & Angela Bennett

SANTA FE COLLEGE COE
GLORY
Sponsor: Santa Fe College COE
Captain: Xavier Green
Co-Captain: Niala Morris
Tierra Cleckley
Naya James
Canae Jenkins
Ahyana Napier
Dawrenica Roberts
Coaches: Angela Wright & Diva McPherson

SOUTH FLORIDA COE
FILER PANTHERS
Sponsor: Henry Filer Middle School
Captain: Vincent Jimenez
Co-Captain: Rocio Peleaz
Rashelle Cruz
Iyomi Grinan
Athena Jimenez
Kaydin Mesa
Nicholas Rodriguez
Coaches: Esmeralda Bisnett & Gabriela Rodriguez

TALLAHASSEE COALITION COE
LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL AGITATORS
Sponsor: Tallahassee Area Coalition COE
Captain: Daniel Agharahimi
Justin Mathews
Jacob Mensah Mamfo
Samuel Omeke
Jaedin Price
Katelyn Reddick
JuanCarlos Simmonds
Coaches: James Richmond & Leon Simmonds

TAMPA AREA COE
THE UNLIMITED
Sponsor: Dr. Guitelle J Rahill, LCSW
Captain: Efua Emuan
Co-Captain: Maya Dulcio
Carly Blake
Northon Blake
Saphyra Dulcio
Sebastien Jean-Leon
Leonide Pierre
Coaches: Julina Dolce Gurganious & Christine Leon

UCF-MCKNIGHT COE
DOUBLE A
Sponsor: UCF-McKnight COE
Captain: Taeler Bell
Co-Captain: Joshua Washington
Antonio Ayala
Destini Courtney
Kendyl Meeks
Jayla Morgan
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Team Rosters

High School (11th-12th Grade) Mathematics

NORTH FLORIDA COE
DEADLY SINES
Sponsor: North Florida COE
Captain: Linash Thomas
Co-Captain: Gyro DelosTrinos
Kylen Callum
Mariah Jenkins
Alan Nelson
Coach: Marcy Braden

PALM BEACH COUNTY COE
MATHLETES
Sponsor: Urban League of Palm Beach County
Captain: Sufiya Ali
Co-Captain: Donyea James
Joshua Kuffour
Fabrice Lamour
Kenjela Mullings
Coach: Cartier Scott

SOUTH FLORIDA COE
MATHEMAGICIANS
Sponsor: South Florida COE
Captain: Jaime Gadea
Co-Captain: Heavyn Lee
Ra’niyah Battle
Jayden Burnett
Bryce Raymond
Coach: Lissandra Perez-Brito

TALLAHASSEE COALITION COE
TALLAHASSEE 11TH 12TH GRADE MATH
Sponsor: Tallahassee Area Coalition COE
Elon Davis
Zhoi Green
Jeremy Maul
Ivan Tucker
Tyrah Williams
Coach: Jacob Arnett

UCF MCKNIGHT COE
5 DEGREES
Sponsor: UCF-McKnight COE
Captain: Brandon Ruiz
Co-Captain: Saindry Paul
Cheyenne Douglas-Rivera
Adrice Galloway
Trinity Johnson
Coach: Cheryl Blakeney

NAS Codes App Challenge

ATLANTIC COAST COE
Jabari Burgess
Chai Comrie

NORTH FLORIDA COE
Alonzo Brinson
Alexis Smith
Jawan Smith

PALM BEACH COUNTY COE
Thaisha Gede

PASCO-HERNANDO COE
Hy’Keem Davis
Omarion Harrison
Vinson Telfare

SOUTH FLORIDA COE
Gabryella Raymond
Alyssa Rhodd
Cori’Anna White

TALLAHASSEE COALITION COE
Samuel King
Trevor King
Marcus Lampkin

TAMPA AREA COE
Adriana Martinez Sanchez
Gabriela Morales
34th Annual Statewide Brain Bowl Competition

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Associate Judge
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Mr. Timothy Dean
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Scorekeeper/Timekeeper
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## Brain Bowl Statewide Championship

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An important pattern that often appears in African art is the pyramid or triangular design. It is often utilized as a repeated pattern. The pyramid symbolizes achievement, the pinnacle, with everything leading to the top, the best. The pyramids of Egypt (Africa) represent the historical foundation from which we as a people emerge.

The breaking of the chains of slavery has a physical and a psychological meaning. Even though the Emancipation Proclamation technically freed us as a people in 1863, many of us remain trapped by an enslaved mind. A liberating educational process unlocks the enormous potential of African American intellect.

The Black silhouette of a human being symbolizes the unbroken chain of Africans linked to African Americans.

The hand reaching for the stars in the apex of the logo exemplifies the following quote, “It is not a disgrace not to reach the stars, but it is a disgrace to have no stars to reach for.” —Dr. Benjamin Mays

The atomic symbol represents technology and the future. Members of the Society will carry forth the best the African American community has to offer in terms of a contribution to the betterment of mankind.

The book in the lower right hand corner symbolizes learning as a liberating experience. Education has represented the most direct route for upward mobility for African Americans.

The above explanations of the logo will be used in all induction ceremonies. Members of the NAS are expected to live up to the multiple meanings contained in the logo.
## Florida National Achievers Society Summit

### NAS Summit Workshop Presenters

#### Grades K-2

**STORYTELLING/CHARACTER BUILDING**  
**Dr. Kandra Albury**  
Literacy Coach  
*Kids’n Capes, Inc.*

**EXPLORING THE MANY SHAPES OF MATHEMATICS**  
**Ms. Margaret Walker**  
Mathematics Intervention Coach  
*Orange County Public Schools*  
Past President  
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#### Grades 3-5

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**Ms. Margaret Walker**  
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*Orange County Public Schools*  
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**ALL ABOUT ME**  
**Dr. Kandra Albury**  
Literacy Coach  
*Kids’n Capes, Inc.*

#### Grades 6-8

**KEEP CALM AND EXPERIMENT ON!**  
**Dr. Sherian E. Demetrius**  
Curriculum Support Specialist  
*Miami-Dade County Public Schools*

**BUILDING HEALTHY SELF-ESTEEM**  
**Ms. Felicia Pizana**  
Senior Program Consultant  
*Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County*

#### Grades 9-12

**ONE-ON-ONE WITH UNIVERSITY RECRUITERS (Grades 9-11)**

**RESUME AND INTERVIEW TIPS (Grade 12)**  
**Mr. Raymond Cabrera**  
Director, Upward Bound Program  
*University of South Florida*

**TEEN SUMMIT**  
**Ms. Avona Randolph**, NAS State Vice President  
**Ms. Donyea James**, NAS Palm Beach County COE  
**Ms. Serenity Billings-Larson**, NAS UCF-McKnight COE

### Parents

**EDUCATION ROUNDTABLE:**  
“COMPETITIVE EDGE: STRATEGIES FOR GAINING ADMISSION TO AND FINANCING COLLEGE”  
**Dr. Lawrence Morehouse-Facilitator**, President & CEO  
*Florida Education Fund*

**Dr. Sonja Montas-Hunter**  
Assistant Vice-Provost  
Office of Student Access & Success  
*Florida International University*

**TOWN HALL ON BEST PARENT PRACTICES**  
**Ms. Marie Sanchez-Facilitator**, Director  
*Palm Beach County COE*

**Ms. Shawn Coleman**, Program Coordinator  
*Urban League of Palm Beach County*

**Ms. Patricia Mullings**, Special Project Coordinator  
*Broward County Government*

**Dr. Tommy Randolph**, Physician  
*Randolph Medical Practices, P.A.*
## Florida National Achievers Society Summit

### NAS Summit Recruiters

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The Centers of Excellence (COE’s or Centers) are community-based entities created to identify and motivate historically underrepresented elementary and secondary students to pursue higher education. Established in 1985, the COE mission includes:

- Assuming a more proactive stance in the education of youth;
- Employing a group achievement model for historically underrepresented elementary and secondary students; and
- Increasing the pool of students who are prepared, motivated and qualified to enter higher education.

The following program requirements have been established by the FEF:

**National Achievers Society (NAS)**

Designed to identify and acknowledge high achieving students.

- **The Believers Society** - developed to recognize “academic determination” among students who may not meet the requirements of NAS. By recognizing this “academic determination,” the FEF believes Believers will become Achievers.

**Brain Bowl Competitions:**

- **History & Culture** - designed to educate youth about the role and contributions of African Americans and other minorities in the United States through the study of college-level literary and historical works that help improve analytical reading skills.

- **Mathematics** - designed to increase interest in mathematics and to develop problem-solving ability through challenging problem questions derived from standardized tests.

- **Spelling/Word Definition** - designed to enhance reading skills for students in grades 3 through 8 by having them master vocabulary words that will improve their comprehension of elementary and middle school reading material and standardized test questions.

- **Laws of Life Essay Contest** - individual writing contest designed to help students improve their writing and critical thinking skills.

- **NAS Voices Speech and Oratory Contest** - individual speech writing and oral presentation contest designed to help advance students’ public speaking, critical thinking, and writing skills.

- **NAS Codes App Challenge** - designed to increase interest in computer science and strengthen logical reasoning and problem solving skills.

**Academic Enrichment Centers**

Developed in communities to supplement student learning experiences.

**Association of Achievers Parents**

Developed to formally engage parents in support of COE activities.

**Affiliation with Local Churches**

Intended to encourage and promote the church as an integral and primary resource in a significant portion of COE activities.

**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- More than 21,474 students have been inducted into NAS since 1985.

- 100% of NAS seniors graduate from high school, and at least 95% of NAS graduates enroll in institutions of higher learning each year.

- Since the Annual Brain Bowl Competitions began in 1985, more than 20,364 students have participated as team members, and 993 students have won college scholarships.

- Since 2001, 6,776 students have taken FEF SAT strategies courses, 3,351 have completed FEF intensive summer pre-college and coding programs, and 457 have participated in FEF’s CodeMasters After School Program.
ACHIEVERS OF THE YEAR
Each year, the Directors of the Centers of Excellence honor the Achievers who have maintained focus, achieved excellence, distinguished themselves in leadership, and made a difference in their communities. The Directors have chosen the following students as this year’s Achievers of the Year:

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The impact of the FEF’s innovative programs and non-traditional approach to enhancing educational outcomes has been demonstrated across various educational levels through the following highly acclaimed programs:

**McKnight Doctoral Fellowship Program**
The program was designed to increase the pool of minorities with Ph.D.’s in an effort to diversify college and university faculty. As partner and facilitator, the FEF works with doctoral degree-granting universities to recruit, retain and graduate students pursuing the Ph.D. Each year, the FEF awards up to 50 Fellowships. Since 1984, the FEF has awarded 1,215 Fellowships, and 660 Fellows have received their Ph.D.’s. A total of 382 Fellows are currently matriculating, with the FEF maintaining an outstanding retention rate of 86 percent.

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**Centers of Excellence**
The program was established to identify and motivate historically disadvantaged elementary and secondary students to subscribe to individual and group motivation, academic skill development, cultural enrichment, career awareness and increased exposure to higher education. Ten Centers of Excellence operate throughout the State, and more than 21,474 students have been inducted into the National Achievers Society. More than 20,364 students have participated in the Annual Brain Bowl Competitions in History & Culture, Mathematics, Coding, Writing, Speech and Word Definition.

**Community Partnerships**
The FEF’s partnership with The College Board and community-based entities around the State enables the FEF to provide supplemental, community-based learning experiences for Florida middle and high school students. Through SAT strategies courses and summer intensive pre-college programs, students improve skills in mathematics, reading, writing and coding; prepare for standardized tests; and enhance their eligibility for acceptance to college. Since 2001, 6,776 students have taken FEF SAT strategies courses, 3,351 have completed FEF intensive summer pre-college and coding programs, and 457 have participated in FEF’s CodeMasters After School Program.

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