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THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANATEE COUNTY FEATURES A STUDENT AND A CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION TEACHER



Time, talent and treasure – everyone has something to give

Thanks to our Volunteer Mentors

Our heartfelt gratitude to the following volunteers that are mentors for the Take Stock in Children scholars. Mentors share their time and talent with the students for 30 minutes per week during the school year.

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Scholarships, Mentors & Hope



Take Stock in Children (TSIC) is a college scholarship and mentoring program that offers low-income Florida public school students attending 6th through 12th grades an opportunity to earn a college scholarship. Once the student is accepted into the program, the student agrees to remain drug-free, crime-free, maintain at least a 2.5 grade average, and meet with a mentor for 30 minutes a week during the school year. Upon high school graduation, the student is awarded a scholarship. Without *mentors, financial donors,* and other *volunteers,* this program would not be possible. This issue is dedicated to those individuals who help make our program succeed. Thanks to all of you!

Thanks to our Leadership Council Volunteers

Take Stock in Children appreciates the time and support from the following volunteers who served on our Leadership Council. Their involvement has built a foundation for growth in serving the children and families of Manatee County with scholarships, mentors and hope.

- Walter Miller, Manatee County School Board, Chairperson
- Sherry Berry, PEPSICO
- Dr. Sharon Burke, Christian Counselors, Inc.
- Beth Carney, Manatee Community College
- Steven Cecil, Ameriprise Financial
- Alex Chavez, Great Florida Insurance
- Brenda Harvey, Community Leader
- Heath Marston, State Farm Insurance
- Denice Maynard, School District of Manatee County
- Tony Templeton, The Templeton Foundation
- Dale Thompson, PSYCARE
- Cynthia Truewell, Manatee County Sheriff's Office
- Jeff Williams, Publix Super Markets

Volunteer:
A person who renders aid, performs a service, or assumes an obligation of his or her own free will.

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.
Winston Churchill

Patricia Ranthum, Community Leader Extraordinaire



Patricia Ranthum has been a Bradenton area leader for years and possesses a strong sense of commitment to both the community and its children. A Marketing Specialist for Landmark Bank of Florida, Patricia is also a member and past president of the Kiwanis Club of Lakewood Ranch. The Kiwanis Club recently funded a scholarship for the Take Stock in Children (TSIC) program. This particular scholarship was especially meaningful to Patricia as it was dedicated to the memory of longtime friend, educator, and TSIC volunteer—Chuck Edwards. Patricia is preparing to take on an exciting role as the first female Lt. Governor of Kiwanis for Division 17, Manatee County. This energetic role model is also a founding member of the Women's Leadership Initiative of United Way of Manatee County and a graduate of Leadership Manatee. Her community and volunteer efforts have provided Patricia with many opportunities to share what she has learned with other civic organizations and clubs. Her search for scholarship dollars and volunteer mentors is unwavering. By sharing her guidance and creating opportunities for others to participate, Patricia's community involvement has led many to become involved and make a difference in the future of Manatee County.

Special Thanks to our Generous Donors

We are honored and extremely grateful for the following donors who contributed to the Take Stock in Children program with their treasures.

- American Business Women's Association
- Bank of America
- Community Foundation of the Florida Keys
- Gettel Foundation
- Global Financial Insurance Services
- Kevin & Sara Grottick
- Kiwanis Club of Anna Maria
- Kiwanis Club of Bradenton
- Kiwanis Club of Manatee East
- Live Rich – Stay Wealthy, Kenneth Himmler Sr. & Julie Berloni
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- Manatee High School Student Council
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- State Farm Insurance, Heath Marston
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Just 30 minutes a week can make a difference in the life of a child.
For information on how you can become a Take Stock in Children mentor, call Program Administrator Diana Dill at (941) 751-7012 ext. #247 or email dianadill@manateeschools.net



Students, You Can Volunteer !

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.
Helen Keller

Students, volunteering can make a big difference in your life. You'll meet new people, learn new skills, gain valuable experience (that helps on a job application), and earn the service hours you need for scholarships and graduation requirements. But where do you volunteer? Here are two organizations to help you find out.

Kiwanis: Builder's Club, Key Club, Circle K, and K-Kids

Kiwanis International sponsors several service clubs for young people: Circle K International for college students; Key Club International for high school students; Builders Clubs for middle school students; and K-Kids for elementary students. Contact Kiwanis in your area or ask your school guidance counselor for more information about Kiwanis youth organizations.

Manateens

This home-grown youth volunteer organization is over ten years old and has been recognized as one of the largest locally-based teen volunteer programs. Its mission is to "...mobilize youth and resources to identify and address local needs through volunteerism, leadership and voice." With thousands of teen volunteers and connections to over 500 local organizations, Manateens connects volunteers with opportunities in and around Manatee County. Visit <http://www.Manateens.org> to find out more.

Your assignment: contact one of these organizations and learn how you can make a difference. Volunteer your time and talents today.



WEB Wise

Check out the following websites:

- www.takestockinchildren.com
- www.keyclub.org
- www.floridakeyclub.org/keyclub
- www.buildersclub.org
- www.circlek.org
- www.kiwaniskids.org
- www.manateens.org



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