

NFL Player Kicks Off South Intensive Transition School's Awards Ceremony

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With the fast growing success and district-wide popularity of its innovative School-wide Positive Behavior Support (SwPBS), South Intensive Transition School teamed up with NFL free agent Jarrett Brown, who was previously signed by the San Francisco 49ers, Cleveland Browns and then B.C. Lions, to host its second nine weeks Honor Roll and SwPBS Awards Ceremony on January 25, 2013 at 9 a.m.



The Awards Assembly rewarded students for academic and behavioral success. Thirteen students shined their way to the Honor Roll List and nine students demonstrated that they can Follow Directions, Avoid Aggression and Be Respectful (FAB) to earn SwPBS Awards. Guest Speaker Jarrett Brown, in a motivational speech and positive message to all students in the School District of Palm Beach County said, “no matter what situation it is, it is always important to be positive and stay true to yourself. The students here are smart and are getting the guidance and direction they need.”

Parents were also included in the line-up for participating in the Honor Roll and SwPBS Awards Assembly. Chandra Hemraj, a parent in attendance, said “the Awards Ceremony was very beautiful and everyone was very helpful and caring.”

“Students were recognized for their accomplishments and those who attended made outstanding improvements in both their academics and behavior. We applaud all of their efforts, hard work and encourage them to continue in this direction as we move into the third nine weeks,” commented Monique Lambrou, SpringBoard English Language Arts Teacher and SwPBS Coordinator.



The Blind Side is one of the ebook selections that students are reading during the daily **D**rop **E**verything **A**nd **R**ead (D.E.A.R) using Nooks purchased from Barnes and Noble. The book features the story of Michael Oher, current Baltimore Ravens offensive tackle, who was born to a mother with an addiction issue and shuffled through foster care for several years before finally being adopted by the Tuohy family of Memphis, TN. The Tuohy family helped steer Michael's life in a completely different direction, one that culminated with a Super Bowl win over the 49ers last Sunday in New Orleans.

“Students enjoy reading ebooks like *The Blind Side* that are both relevant and meaningful to everyday life. They can relate to the positive message and it adds meaning when they can visualize the main character in the book lead his team to a Super Bowl victory!” said Assistant Principal Terrence Narinesingh.



Eighth grader Bibiana Hinojosa said, “All kids around the world love electronic devices and I’m pretty positive that everyone at our school loves the new Nooks. I personally think it’s better for reading because I can change the font, highlight words and use the built-in dictionary. It’s better than reading on paper.”

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