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Councilwoman Charlotte Leonard, Seat 3
City of Westlake
4001 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road
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Dear Councilwoman Leonard,

As the 2026 school year draws to a close, I am incredibly proud to celebrate the profound dedication and academic success of our seven elementary schools in the Glades Region. Over the past eight years, our deliberate focus on academic growth has dramatically shifted the trajectory of our performance, yielding historic progress for our schools and community.

To put this achievement into perspective, our region has successfully transitioned from being comprised of mostly **C, D, and F-rated schools** on the State Improvement List to earning an enhanced shift in school grades in 2025:

- **2 "A" Rated Schools**
- **1 "B" Rated School**
- **2 Schools just 2% away from a "B"**
- **2 "C" Rated Schools**

This is a monumental data shift for our community, and I am deeply proud of the collective resilience of our teachers, leaders, and families.

Our success is rooted in strategic investments: specifically, enhancing teacher development, building leadership capacity, and comprehensively supporting our students' academic and emotional needs. Research from **The Wallace Foundation** affirms that principals and teachers are the number one and two most impactful factors in school improvement. Throughout this year, I have watched our school leaders joyfully uplift and value their teachers for the vital impact they make every day.

As the Instructional Superintendent, I want to formally celebrate and acknowledge these 7-leadership team's relentless commitment. However, because we have prioritized tight budget allocations toward retaining our highly committed classroom teachers, our regional budget contains no funding sources designated for staff appreciation and leadership engagements.



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School administrators shoulder an immense responsibility. They are not merely academic managers; they serve as CEOs, community organizers, counselors, and visionaries who shape the heartbeat of our neighborhoods.

To honor these leadership teams hard work, I am hosting an intimate appreciation luncheon for the core team of **21 educators** driving this success:

- **7 Principals**
- **7 Assistant Principals**
- **7 Regional Specialists**

To make this celebration possible, I am seeking financial sponsorship from your office to help cover the meal costs for these dedicated professionals.

- **Event:** Glades Region Elementary Leadership Appreciation Luncheon
- **Date & Time:** Tuesday, June 2, 2026 (12:30 PM – 2:00 PM)
- **Location:** Duffy's Sports Grill, Royal Palm Beach

Thank you in advance for your time, your ongoing advocacy for local education, and your consideration of this request to honor our region's leaders. If you have any questions or require additional details, please feel free to reach me directly at **561-236-1727** or via email at Moneek.mctier@palmbeachschools.org.

Warm regards,

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Glades Region, Instructional Superintendent