



Peachland-Polkton Elementary School Career Day

Peachland-Polkton Elementary School hosted Career Day on Friday, March 11. Community members visited to tell students about their careers, their job duties, the level of education or training required and which school subjects are important in their line of work.

Students learned from radiologists, police officers, a coach, a horse farrier, nurses, a land surveyor, a baker, paramedics, a fashion entrepreneur, a computer engineer, an athletic trainer, a pilot, a vet, a physical therapist, a doctor, an attorney, a marine and our local animal shelter!

The guest speakers put a lot of time and effort into their presentations. They made the lessons fun, hands-on and engaging to young students. Peachland-Polkton Elementary School wants students to realize that the skills they are learning now will impact their futures. It is vital that we help our students realize their potential! These young kids are the future of our community. Our goal is to encourage them to strive for excellence.

Special thanks to all of the guests who visited and made Career Day a success! Thanks for taking time out of your busy schedules to be a positive influence for students.

Komoria E'lise Chambers is Little Miss HOLLA! 2016

Pageant honors past, present and future women

This is a release from HOLLA!: Seven-year-old Komoria E'lise Chambers, was crowned Little Miss HOLLA! 2016 during the Second Annual Little Miss HOLLA! Pageant on Saturday, February 6th. She is the daughter of Ebone S. Moore and Emmanuel E. Chambers. Her court includes 1st Runner-up Destiny Pickett, 2nd Runner-up Za'Kiyah Hixson, Sa'Layah Simons, Siyanna Webster and Azaria Pratt.

Under the theme, Recognizing Our Culture and Keeping it alive, HOLLA! used the pageant to recognize outstanding women of the past and present, as well as to encourage the young pageant contestants to be outstanding women of the future.

HOLLA! recognized six women as ROCKS of ages for the present age. This year's ROCKS of Ages recognitions went to the following: Educator Dr. Altheria Patton; Award-winning Journalist Kimberly Harrington; Attorney Sophia Gatewood Crawford; Commissioner Vancine Sturdivant; Mayor Minnie Sturdivant; and Author Dr. Florita Bell Griffin, recipient of the Zora Neale Hurston Award. "The recipients of this award are not only making outstanding contributions to our community, but are important to the success of HOLLA! and its mission to be an agent of positive change in the community," said Leon Gatewood, CEO of the organization.

The pageant was organized by Johnnie Pettiford and choreographed by Vera Hosley. "The parents of these children sacrificed a lot for this event; they showed us what parental involvement looks like," said Pettiford.

The HOLLA! Center will host a 'spa day' for the 2016 contestants on Saturday, March 5, followed by a special dinner on Sunday, March 6 with their families, friends and the 2016 ROCKs of ages.

HOLLA! would like to thank all who made the program successful with special thanks to Ronnie Bennett Photography, Morven Elementary School Coach Marion Brown, Quality Florist, Vera Hosley, The Hampton B. Allen Library, Lacy's, Debra Rosebud, Devin Pettiford and Dr. Florita Bell Griffin and the parents of the contestants.

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