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STUDENT WHO REPORTED CLASSMATE CARRYING TASER TO SCHOOL HONORED BY MIAMI POLICE AND THE DO THE RIGHT THING PROGRAM

MIAMI, FL – November 18, 2025 – As school safety takes the national spotlight, the Do The Right Thing Program will honor 10 outstanding students out of over 850 nominees, who serve as an inspiration to the community and are being honored for doing the right thing by Miami Police. Amongst the honorees is Stacey Sardinas, a 7th grader at Paul W. Bell Middle who is being honored for keeping her school safe by reporting a classmate who was carrying a Taser to school. Other honorees include students taking action during medical emergencies, preventing suicide and self-harm, and reporting dangerous situations.

The Do The Right Thing Program will also be presented with a check for \$3,250 from The Papa John's Foundation for their work empowering youth to become role models and lead by example.

The ceremony takes place on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 10:00 am in the auditorium of the Chief Clarence Dickson Police College, 350 NW 2nd Avenue.

Do The Right Thing, Inc. is a non-profit community-based program operating in cooperation with the Miami Police Department and other local law enforcement. The program serves school age youth throughout Miami-Dade County by recognizing positive accomplishments and behavior. Each month of the school year students are recognized for their positive decisions and rewarded with prizes including a tablet, plaque, a Do The Right Thing t-shirt and bumper sticker, two tickets to a Miami Marlins game, a Papa John's certificate, gift cards, passes to Zoo Miami, HistoryMiami Museum, Philip and Patricia Frost Museum of Science, and Island Queen Cruises, and letters from United States Senator Ashley Moody as well as Congresswoman Maria Elvira Salazar and Miami-Dade State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle. Two Special Recognition students are also selected and win trips to Rapids Water Park and Washington, D.C. Since its inception, Do The Right Thing has directly impacted over 270,000 youth across Miami-Dade County. Building positive relationships between police and youth at an early age can make all the difference!

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A not-for-profit organization dedicated to recognizing and rewarding our youth

October 2025 Do The Right Thing Winners

Jason & Mayson Clotter

Jason and Mayson noticed a school security staff member experiencing a medical emergency and immediately took action until she received the urgent care she needed.

Giuliano Corrente

When a friend messaged him about suicidal thoughts, Giuliano immediately told his mother and contacted police, ensuring the child received emergency intervention.

Valerie Leyva

Valerie witnessed a male student acting inappropriately toward a younger girl and quickly intervened and helped the girl report the situation.

Alexis Matalobos

Alexis de-escalated a planned fight targeting his friend by talking him out of retaliation and accompanying him to report the situation.

Iaroslav Priemkin

After finding \$100 in the restroom, Iaroslav immediately turned it in, setting a strong example for his peers.

Raquel Rodriguez

Raquel noticed her friend suddenly becoming very ill in class and quickly alerted the teacher, helped her to the office, and stayed with her until help arrived.

Audrey Rubin-Babiarz

During a cross-country race, Audrey found a competitor unconscious on the course and stopped running to get help, sacrificing her race to ensure the student received immediate medical attention.

Stacey Sardinas

Stacey reported a classmate who was carrying a Taser in her backpack, preventing a potentially dangerous situation and keeping her peers and school safe.

Egypt Simmons

Egypt noticed a classmate writing concerning messages and trying to harm themselves with a pencil, and immediately reported it to her teacher and counselor so the student could receive the help they needed.