

## **Take Stock in Children Announces 25 New Students Selected For Scholarship Program**

Take Stock in Children recently introduced 25 new scholarship recipients at the annual Take Stock Kick-Off Dinner sponsored by the Studer Foundation and the Escambia County Public Schools Foundation. There are now a total of 126 students in grades 7-12 in Escambia County's program. Students will receive a college scholarship upon graduation from high school, as long as they maintain good grades, attendance and citizenship, remain crime and drug free, and meet weekly with a volunteer community mentor.

Take Stock in Children is a statewide non-profit organization that provides "scholarships, mentors & hope" to deserving young people selected through a need-based application process through the public middle schools at the end of their 6<sup>th</sup> grade year. Scholarship donations from local foundations, organizations, businesses and individuals are matched dollar-for-dollar when scholarships are purchased from the Florida Prepaid College Foundation each year and are held until students successfully graduate from high school.

The newly selected students include:

Bailey Middle – Emili Campbell, Avery Leventhal, Kendall Poston

Bellview Middle – Ty'QuJuan Stallworth, Aiden Wilson

Brown Barge Middle – Kelsey Bolling, Michael Dorsey, Kiana Hollis, Efrain Escarfullett III

Ernest Ward Middle – Johnnie Howell Jr., Logan Zellers

Ferry Pass Middle – Abbie Brunson, Rafeal Goodwin II, Jayla Rudolph, Trinity Weaver

Ransom Middle – Calvin Brewer, Alonna Brown, Shelby Lewis, Kiara Mullins

Warrington Middle – Eunique Crosby, Kylie Williams

West Florida High – De'mayla Jenkins

Woodham Middle – Malik Williams, Stacey Miller

Workman Middle – Teddy Robinson

For more information about the Take Stock in Children scholarship program in Escambia County, contact Sally Lee, 469-5458, [slee@escambia.k12.fl.us](mailto:slee@escambia.k12.fl.us)

Photo Attached: Newest Take Stock in Children students at the August 31 Kick-Off Dinner - with Escambia School Superintendent Malcolm Thomas.

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