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Glazer Children’s Museum Announces Official Winners
For Their Education Is Key Breakfast

(Tampa, FL.) The Glazer Children’s Museum is proud to announce their two official winners to be honored during the Annual Education is Key Breakfast, happening Friday, April 15. Each year, Glazer Children’s Museum honors one outstanding educator and student in the Bay area who exemplify what it is to work hard to develop as a lifelong learner and leader, closely aligning with the Museum’s mission.

As nominations are sent from throughout the Tampa region, the Museum’s Education Committee works diligently to select individuals whom will be judged on the following criteria: impact on the student, classroom, or school, dedication to education, effectiveness of leadership, unique reason for nomination, and innovation and creativity.

EIK’s winners include a Mort Elementary student, Giovanni Reyes and Kerri Aman, and educator from Tampa’s Dover Elementary. Both Reyes and Aman were nominated by outside parties, including Mort Elementary’s principal and Aman’s fellow counterpart. Reyes, a fifth grade student who started schooling without any prior knowledge or understanding of the English language, is a prime example of how determination can lead the way. As a student who is fluent in Spanish, he took advantage of Mort’s English Learner Program and has now excelled all expectations. Leading his peers as president of the school’s yellow house through Mort’s C.A.S.A Program, Giovanni actively heads pep rallies and attends community building trainings. As a stellar educator, Kerri is passionate about making sure all of her students are college and career ready. Serving as the media specialist for Dover Elementary, Ms. Aman is also a recipient for Laura Bush’s Foundation Library Grant. The number of resources available in the school’s media center was significantly impacted by this grant. As a belief that all children should have access to books, Kerri Aman created a “Free Little Library” outside of her classroom so students can read outside of their school’s doors.
This year’s Education is Key Breakfast is on Friday, April 15, 7:30-9am. Proceeds benefit the Museum’s Youth Access Programs which include a variety of outreach efforts to make sure that the Museum is accessible to all children. The Museum will be hosting their breakfast amongst many friends including GCM’s new CEO, Jen Stancil, and Keynote Speaker, H. Melvin Ming, Retired CEO of Sesame Workshop.

About The Glazer Children’s Museum

Named one of the top five Children’s Museums in America, Glazer Children’s Museum is an innovative educational and culture resource for the Tampa region. Opened in Downtown Tampa in 2010, the Museum sits among skyscrapers as well as green space, and is a central part of the cultural corridor featuring other museums, libraries and a performing arts center. The mission of Glazer Children’s Museum is to create learning environments where children play, discover and connect to the world around them in order to develop as lifelong learners and leaders. The hands-on, minds-on Museum attracts more than 210,000 visitors annually with a 53,000 sq. ft. building full of themed galleries and 170 interactive exhibits for children aged birth to ten. A combination of permanent and traveling exhibits, comprehensive year-round educational programs, and dynamic special events provide children, parents, caregivers, and teachers a rich, cutting edge, ever-changing environment for playful learning. Glazer Children’s Museum, a 501c3 non-profit, also offers over 5,000 sq. ft. of event space, 2,500 sq. ft. of classroom space and a 1,000 sq. ft. roof top terrace overlooking the picturesque Downtown Riverwalk, along the Hillsborough River.