

# Programme

Introduction of Mistress of Ceremony.....Reverend Mitchell Davis, Jr.  
*Chairman, Citizens Concerned for Students*

Mistress of Ceremony.....Ms. Erica Riggins  
*Bay News 9 Anchor and Reporter*

National Anthem (The Star Spangled Banner).....Miss Deandra Powell  
*11th Grade, Wiregrass Ranch High School*

Negro National Anthem (Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing)...Miss Shalyah Fearing  
*7th Grade, Homeschool*

Invocation.....Reverend Nathaniel Sims  
*Pastor, St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, Dade City, FL*

Scripture.....Reverend Adrian R. Gay  
*Pastor, Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, Zephyrhills, FL*

Introduction of Special Guests and Sponsors.....Dr. Robert Judson  
*Former President, Pasco Hernando Community College*

Occasion and History.....Ms. Lafran Reddin

Praise Dance.....F.R.U.I.T.S.  
*Brown Memorial Church of God In Christ, Tampa, FL*

Speech.....Miss Ashley Webster  
*11<sup>th</sup> Grade, Pasco High School*

Speech.....Mr. Walter Ingram, III  
*11<sup>th</sup> Grade, Sunlake High School*

Keynote Speaker.....Claudia Thomas, M.D.  
*Orthopaedic Surgeon and Author*

## Presentation of Awards

Remarks.....Mr. Kurt Browning  
*Superintendent of Pasco County Schools*

Remarks.....Reverend Mitchell Davis, Jr.  
*Pastor, Church Of God In Christ, Dade City, FL*

Benediction.....Reverend Freddie Hinson, Jr.  
*Pastor, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Hudson, FL*

*Middle Schools*

Bayonet Point Middle	Centennial Middle	Chasco Middle
Crews Lake Middle	Gulf Middle	Hudson Middle
Dr. John Long Middle	Pasco Middle	Pine View Middle
River Ridge Middle	Charles S. Rushe Middle	Seven Springs Middle
Paul R. Smith Middle	R. B. Stewart Middle	T. E. Weightman Middle

*High Schools*

Anclote High	Fivay High	Gulf High
Hudson High	Land O' Lakes High	J. W. Mitchell High
Pasco High	Ridgewood High	River Ridge High
Sunlake High	Wesley Chapel High	Wiregrass Ranch High
Zephyrhills High		

*Education Centers*

James Irvin Education Center	F. K. Marchman Technical Education Center
Moore-Mickens Education Center	Harry Schwettman Education Center

*Charter Schools*

Academy at the Farm	Athenian Academy of Pasco
Baycare Behavioral Health	East Pasco Adventist Academy
	Pasco eSchool

*Special Recognition*

Center for the Arts at Wesley Chapel.....Mr. Patrick McDermott and Staff

Wesley Chapel High School Facilities.....Ms. Carin Nettles, Principal and Staff

Refreshments.....Local Churches, McDonald's, Publix, Sweetbay, Winn Dixie

Pasco County School Board Members

Superintendent Kurt Browning and Staff

Pasco County School Administrators

Pasco High School NJROTC

African American Club of Pasco County

All Parents, Families and Supporters

All Honor Day Program Participants and Community Volunteers



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# Honor Day

## Annual Awards Ceremony



**May 18, 2013**  
**5:00 P.M.**

***Pasco Schools Center for the Arts at Wesley Chapel***

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*Claudia Thomas, M.D.*  
*Keynote Speaker*

Dr. Claudia Thomas was born in Brooklyn, New York and attended the High School of Music and Art in Manhattan. She graduated from Vassar College and was President of the Students' Afro-American Society. She received her M.D. degree from the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in 1975 and completed her orthopaedic residency training at Yale in 1980. She was the first female graduate of the Yale Orthopaedic Program, as well as the first African American female orthopaedic surgeon in the United States. Dr. Thomas is an Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and a practicing partner at Tri-County Orthopaedic Center in Leesburg, Florida.

Illness, with increasing renal failure, interrupted her professional activities in 1990. She had surgical removal of both kidneys and received a donor kidney from her sister. One year ago, she underwent a second kidney transplant.

Dr. Thomas has received numerous awards, including the 2008 Diversity Award from The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. She has been a featured guest speaker on numerous radio and television shows, including the Hour of Power Broadcast. Her autobiography, *God Spare Life*, was published in 2007. She is a role model, not only for young women of color, but for all young men and women. She exudes the qualities everyone should want in their own children: honesty, ethics, and humility.



*Ms. Erica Riggins*  
*Mistress of Ceremony*

for Bay News 9.

Ever the consummate professional, Erica has been recognized for her outstanding efforts. She won an Emmy award for Outstanding Live Report for her report on students protesting the Iraq war. She also won the prestigious national Edward R. Murrow Award for best documentary for a series of reports detailing the growing and disturbing trends of child abuse in central Texas. Other awards and recognition Erica has garnered include first place for spot news coverage and second place for best documentary from the Texas Associated Press; and Outstanding Service in the Field of Communications from the national sorority of Phi Delta Kappa.

*National Anthem*

*Excerpt from "The Star Spangled Banner"*

*Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming?  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.  
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?*

Francis Scott Key

*Negro National Anthem*

*"Lift Ev'ry Voice And Sing"*

*Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,  
Ring with the harmonies of liberty;  
Let our rejoicing rise, high as listening skies,  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.*

*Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has bought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
Let us march on till victory is won.*

*Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died,  
Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet;  
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed.*

*We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,  
We have come treading our path thro' the blood of the slaughtered.  
Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last,  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.*

*God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way.  
Thou who has by thy might led us into the light;  
Keep us forever in the path we pray.*

*Lest our feet stray from the places, our God where we met thee,  
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world we forget thee;  
Shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand  
True to our God, true to our native land.*

Lyrics by James Weldon Johnson  
Musical Composition by J. Rosamond Johnson

*Citizens Concerned for Students (CCS)*

*"Ensuring Equal Educational Opportunities for All Students"*



*Major Objectives*

- Motivate academic excellence.
- Encourage full participation of parents in school activities, which directly relate to students.
- Ensure equal educational opportunities for all students.
- Improve economic conditions through increased occupational opportunities.
- Ensure equal and fair disciplinary procedures.
- Improve family stability through channels of communication among family members.
- Help keep alive the rich cultural heritage of Black people in America.

*2013 Honor Day Planning Committee*

*Reverend Mitchell Davis, Jr., Chairman*

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