

The Do The Right Thing award program was held on Thursday October 6, 2016 at the Punta Gorda City Council Chambers. The following students were honored:

Noah Wheldon, Venice Middle School, Grade 6 and Riley Willis, L. A. Ainger Middle School, Grade 6  
Noah and Riley were honored for making the right choice. While Riley and Noah were playing on the basketball court at school, they found what appeared at first to be a bullet, but was actually a folding pocketknife. Riley and Noah made a positive choice and immediately turned the knife over to a teacher. Thank you Noah and Riley for displaying strong character and integrity by helping to keep other students and school safe

Marissa D. Oller, Murdock Middle School, Grade 6  
Marissa was honored for her actions when she observed what she believed was an ongoing incident of bullying on the school bus. She tried to stop the situation by sitting with the victim. When this did not work, she reported the incident to the School Resource Officer. This situation resulted in four students being charged with battery (simple) and stalking (harassment) for pulling the victim's hair, spitting on her,