



Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden Fairchild Challenge 2008 High School Awards

**Congratulations to the almost 18,000 students who participated
in the Fairchild Challenge 2008 at these 46 South Florida high schools**

American • Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll • Barbara Goleman • Carrollton •
Christopher Columbus • COPE Center North • Coral Gables • Coral Reef •
Corporate Academy South • Design & Architecture • Doctor's Charter • Dr. Michael M. Krop •
Felix Varela • G. Holmes Braddock • Gulliver Preparatory • Hialeah-Miami Lakes •
John A. Ferguson • MAST • Miami • Miami Central • Miami Coral Park • Miami Country Day •
Miami Edison • Miami Jackson • Miami Killian • Miami Lakes • Miami Northwestern •
Miami Palmetto • Miami Southridge • Miami Springs • Miami Sunset •
New World School of the Arts • North Miami • Our Lady of Lourdes • Pembroke Pines Charter •
Ransom Everglades • Robert Morgan • Ronald Reagan/Doral • Ruth Owens Krusé • South Miami •
South Plantation • Southwest Miami • St. Thomas Aquinas • Thomas Jefferson MS (9th grade) •
Westminster Christian • Young Women's Preparatory

FAIRCHILD CHALLENGE AWARDS

**By surpassing the goal of 900 points, these 25 high schools
earned the Fairchild Challenge Award**

Barbara Goleman • Carrollton • Christopher Columbus • Coral Reef • Design & Architecture •
G. Holmes Braddock • Gulliver Preparatory • Hialeah-Miami Lakes • John A. Ferguson •
MAST • Miami • Miami Country Day • Miami Jackson • Miami Killian • Miami Palmetto •
Miami Southridge • Miami Springs • Our Lady of Lourdes • Pembroke Pines Charter •
Robert Morgan • Ruth Owens Krusé • South Miami • South Plantation •
Southwest Miami • St. Thomas Aquinas

FAIRCHILD CHALLENGE HIGHEST HONORS

Awarded to these 16 top-scoring high schools

Runners-Up (\$250) *in alphabetical order*

Barbara Goleman • Carrollton • Christopher Columbus • Coral Reef • G. Holmes Braddock •
Gulliver Preparatory • Hialeah-Miami Lakes • Miami • Miami Springs • St. Thomas Aquinas

Runners-Up (\$500) *in alphabetical order*

MAST • Miami Killian • Miami Palmetto •
Miami Southridge • Our Lady of Lourdes

First Place (\$1,000)

South Plantation

FAIRCHILD CHALLENGE "SCHOOLS OF EXCELLENCE"

**The following 7 high schools have earned the
Fairchild Challenge Award for five consecutive years**

Inducted 2008

MAST • Miami Killian • Miami Southridge • South Miami

Inducted 2007

Coral Reef • Miami Palmetto • Our Lady of Lourdes

FAIRCHILD CHALLENGE 2008 STUDENT AWARDS

Fairchild Challenge ERMies (Environmental Role Models)

**The following 14 students were nominated by their schools
for demonstrating environmental stewardship
on both personal and community levels**

in alphabetical order

Amanda Baez, American
Alejandro Gonzalez, Christopher Columbus
Francisco Ortega, Coral Reef
Haydee Borerro, Hialeah-Miami Lakes
Allison Crowell Goodman, MAST
Dominique Davis, Miami Central
Alexandra Beesting, Miami Killian
Diamia Foster, Miami Southridge
Correale Giovanni, Miami Sunset
Miranda Garcia, Our Lady of Lourdes
Robert Boyer, Robert Morgan
Steven Rodriguez, Ruth Owens Krusé
Susan Parra, South Plantation
Ryan Rudock, St. Thomas Aquinas

**Fairchild Challenge option results will be posted online following the
Awards Ceremony: www.fairchildgarden.org**

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**FAIRCHILD CHALLENGE 2008 FOR HIGH SCHOOLS
RESULTS FOR ALL OPTIONS**

Option 1: "Water In Words"

First Place:

South Plantation

Honorable Mention:

Barbara Goleman
Christopher Columbus
Coral Reef
Design & Architecture Miami Edison
Miami Killian
Miami Palmetto
Miami Southridge
Miami Springs
Southwest Miami
St. Thomas Aquinas

Option 2A: Plant Hats

First Place:

Miami Palmetto

Honorable Mention:

Design & Architecture
G. Holmes Braddock
Hialeah-Miami Lakes
Miami Coral Park
Miami Killian
Miami Southridge
Our Lady of Lourdes
Ruth Owens Krusé
South Plantation
Southwest Miami
Young Women's Preparatory

Option 2B: Paper Hats

First Place:

MAST

Honorable Mention:

Design & Architecture
G. Holmes Braddock
John A. Ferguson
Miami
Miami Central
Miami Palmetto
Miami Southridge
New World School of the Arts
Our Lady of Lourdes
Pembroke Pines Charter
Southwest Miami
Young Women's Preparatory

Option 3A – Fairchild Challenge T-Shirt Designs

First Place:

Tam Nguyen – American

Special Recognition:

Taryn Justice – St. Thomas Aquinas

Honorable Mention:

Brittney Carabello – American
Jose Mesa – Hialeah-Miami Lakes
Josue Rivera – Miami Central
Carolina Sardinas – Miami Coral Park
Julian Chavez – Miami Killian
Yunior Diaz – Miami Southridge
Alvin Hernandez – Miami Southridge
Gabriel Chente – Miami Springs
Marissa Rodriguez – Our Lady of Lourdes
Emily Bennie – South Miami
Maria Olaya – South Miami
Jane Allen – South Plantation

Option 3B – Pine Rockland Logo Designs

First Place:

Yunxin "Joy" Jiao – Miami Palmetto

Special Recognition:

Yunxin "Joy" Jiao – Miami Palmetto

Honorable Mention:

Luis Gomez – American
Sebastian Vergara – Barbara Goleman
Jessica Ortega – Design and Architecture
Josue Rivera – Miami Central
Jennifer Schurr – Miami Killian
Wendy Sczechowitz – Miami Killian
Jane Allen – South Plantation
Marta Sidorek – South Plantation

Option 4 – Opinion Papers Based On Research

First Place:

Topic A: Ely Benhamo – Coral Reef
Topic B: Catherine Schwartz – Miami Palmetto
Topic C: Yue Xin – Miami Palmetto
Topic D: Miranda Marraccini – Miami Palmetto

Honorable Mention:**Topic A:** Kevin Montiel – Hialeah-Miami Lakes

Zara Castanay – Miami Palmetto

Mary Celine Villacastinin – South Plantation

Michelle Falcone – St. Thomas Aquinas

Topic B: Sean Magill – Coral Reef

Maria Zapetis – Miami Country Day

Elyse Watkins – Our Lady of Lourdes

Adam Nicoll – South Plantation

Topic C: Jessica Ortega – DASH

Tiffany Fan – Our Lady of Lourdes

Amanda Schram – Miami Killian

Donovan Porter – Miami Southridge

Mary Alinney Villacastin – South Plantation

Topic D: Christiana Rosales – Carrollton

Alejandro Gonzalez – Christopher

Columbus

Kevin Cuenca – Hialeah-Miami Lakes

Susan Parra – South Plantation

Kate Johnson – St. Thomas Aquinas

Option 5 – Environmental Debate**First Place Students:****Senate:**

Elizabeth Henriques – Our Lady of Lourdes

House (Tie):

Matthew Hershoff – Dr. Michael M. Krop

Ryan Adams – St. Thomas Aquinas

Honorable Mention:**Senate:**

Joseph Perretta - Christopher Columbus

Alejandro Gonzalez - Christopher Columbus

Kissel Andino - Miami

Aleksander Klevensky - North Miami

Boris Bastidas - South Plantation

Brianna Cavallini - South Plantation

Joshua Edelstein - South Plantation

House:

Cristy Arazoza - Carrollton

Sonul Rao - Coral Reef

Michelle Cravez - Miami Killian

Manny Obando - Southwest Miami

Christian Chauvet - St. Thomas Aquinas

Ray Escobar - St. Thomas Aquinas

Students' Choice Award:**Senate:** Joseph Perretta – Christopher Columbus**House:** Christian Chauvet – St. Thomas Aquinas**Option 6 – EID**

Barbara Goleman

Carrollton

Christopher Columbus

COPE Center North

Coral Reef

DASH

Hialeah-Miami Lakes

John A. Ferguson

MAST

Miami

Miami Central

Miami Jackson

Miami Killian

Miami Palmetto

Miami Southridge

Miami Sunset

North Miami

Our Lady of Lourdes

Pembroke Pines Charter

Robert Morgan

Ruth Owens Krusé

St. Thomas Aquinas

South Miami

South Plantation

Southwest Miami

Option 7 – Art: The Patterns of Plants, in Watercolor and Sculpture**Watercolor****First Place:**

Deni Kuru – Gulliver Preparatory

Honorable Mention:

Monica Alarcon - Carrollton

Natalia Juncadella - Carrollton

Leslie Brache - Coral Reef

Nina Gonzalez - Gulliver Preparatory

Helen Rodriguez - Miami Coral Park

Vania Ray - Miami Edison

Matt Diaz - Miami Killian

Ashley Nodar - Our Lady of Lourdes

Laura Piacente - Pembroke Pines Charter

Jane Allen - South Plantation

Marta Sidorek - South Plantation

Amanda Mieke - Westminster Christian

Sculpture**First Place:**

Yue Xian – Miami Palmetto

Honorable Mention:

Nicholas Guerra - Miami Southridge

Genesis Rodriguez - Miami Southridge

Sheila Daniels - Pembroke Pines Charter

Lasceeka Willis - South Plantation

Melissa Amador - St. Thomas Aquinas

Gina Dellapenta - St. Thomas Aquinas

Special Recognition Sculpture in the Style of Lichtenstein:

Alejandro Garcia – Miami Springs

Option 8 – Research Projects

Topic A: Skyways

First Place – Tie:

Gulliver Preparatory
Miami Lakes

Honorable Mention:

Hialeah-Miami Lakes
Miami
Miami Southridge
South Plantation

Topic B: Dream in Green

First Place – Tie:

Christopher Columbus
South Plantation

Honorable Mention:

MAST
Miami Palmetto

Topic C: Green Cuisine

First Place:

St. Thomas Aquinas

Honorable Mention:

Christopher Columbus
Coral Reef
Hialeah-Miami Lakes
Robert Morgan
Ruth Owens Krusé
South Plantation

Topic D: Solar Invention

First Place:

South Plantation

Honorable Mention:

Christopher Columbus
G. Holmes Braddock
Miami Country Day
Southwest Miami

Topic E: Seed Germination

First Place:

MAST

Honorable Mention:

Christopher Columbus
Coral Reef
Miami Country Day

Miami Southridge
South Plantation

Option 9 – Environmental Action

First Place – Tie:

Our Lady of Lourdes
St. Thomas Aquinas

Honorable Mention:

Barbara Goleman
Coral Reef
Gulliver Preparatory
Miami Country Day
Miami Killian
Miami Palmetto

Option 10 – School Garden or Habitat Restoration

First Place:

St. Thomas Aquinas

Honorable Mention:

Miami Palmetto
Miami Southridge
Miami Springs
Our Lady of Lourdes
Robert Morgan
South Plantation

Option 11 – Newsletter In Two Languages

First Place:

South Plantation

Honorable Mention:

Christopher Columbus
Miami Jackson
Our Lady of Lourdes
Robert Morgan
Ruth Owens Krusé