

# PB Maritime Celebrates First High School Graduation



Ms. Marie Turchiaro, Principal of Palm Beach Maritime Academy and High School.

Palm Beach Maritime Academy's first High School Graduation took place at Santaluces High School on Friday, May 19. The marine science enriched charter school is the second oldest charter school in Palm Beach County. In 2013, a decision was made to begin a high school at the Kindergarten through 8th grade school. Palm Beach Maritime Academy acquired a

new middle/high school campus in Lantana and added one new high school grade each year until this year they had their first graduating senior class!

The high school enriched the students' education with numerous marine and maritime field trips including shark tagging with the University of Miami, the Plywood Regatta, visits to marine and aquatic centers and beach cleanups. Marine science research classes were added as electives and students learned about sharks, shark teeth, shark reproduction and ocean acidification with Ms. Filipowich and Ms. Chellemi.

The first graduating class was made up of thirteen students, many of whom attended the academy since elementary school. The valedictorian was Tiffany Workman with a GPA of 3.8 and the Salutatorian was Baily Anderson with a GPA of 3.7. Both young ladies are amazing, all-around scholars who will make this world a better place!

The graduation was emotional event for all. Mr. Reno Boffice, the Assistant Principal proudly explained "We are humbled and honored by all the graduates' achievements. These 13 students have led the way and will

set the standard for what Palm Beach Maritime High School will stand for

in the future." Ms. Marie Turchiaro, Principal, said she would miss these stu-

dents terribly but knew they would always make her proud!



PBMA Graduates: Leisy Caceres, Paola Sanchez, Trevin Thomas, Laura Anderson (Cum Laude), Leonel Mendez-Ramirez, Baily Anderson (Salutatorian), Jarret Carlson, Maria Aleman-Hodgson (Cum Laude), Tyler Laymon, Jace Tate, Tylee Silva, Tiffany Workman (Valedictorian) and Eddies Rodriguez



Mr. Anthony Andrepont, teacher, Dr. Andy Binns, Board Chair, Mr. Joseph Ehnen, teacher, Baily Anderson, Salutatorian and Mr. Caesar Boffice, Assistant Principal



Dr. Andy Binns, Mr. Joseph Ehnen, Teacher, Tiffany Workman, Valedictorian, Mr. Reno Boffice, Assistant Principal



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