Teacher Receives Prestigious Lifelong Ambassador Award

Make-A-Wish Foundation of Southern Florida will honor University School 4th grade teacher, Ms. Szikman, on October 11 with the 2012 Sharon Novak Lifelong Ambassador Award.

Ms. Szikman and a parent instituted Make-A-Wish as the 4th grade charity 20 years ago. The idea of students being able to help other children made the initiative a particularly good fit. In addition, the fundraising process not only builds character, Ms. Szikman explains, but also provides additional social studies, math and leadership learning opportunities.

In the organization’s letter to Ms. Szikman, Make-A-Wish of Southern Florida President & CEO Norman Wedderburn writes, “Sometimes ‘thank you’ is just not enough. Your support is truly remarkable and it is time that we recognize your dedication.

Last year’s campaign efforts by University School students, staff and parents resulted in the granting of a record four wishes! “Every year just gets bigger and better,” Szikman said.

Congratulations Ms. Szikman on this wonderful honor!