

Tampa Bay Times Newspaper in Education program wins awards

Three educational publications produced by the [Tampa Bay Times Newspaper in Education program](https://www.tampabay.com/nie) have received awards in the 2021 [National Newspaper Association Better Newspaper Editorial Contest](#) in the NIE - Partnerships category.

[Pathways to Understanding: Creating Community through Allyship](#) was awarded First Place. This publication was produced in partnership with [Community Tampa Bay](#), the [Doris Duke Charitable Foundation](#) and the [Doris Duke Foundation for Islamic Art's Building Bridges Program](#). It presents an overview of Muslim culture, busts some myths about Islam and Muslims, and explores the causes and consequences of Islamophobia, prejudice and discrimination. It was written by Sue Bedry and Jodi Pushkin, *Times* staff, and designed by Lisa Schillinger, *Times* staff.

[Reduce Your Use: The Dos and Don'ts of Recycling in Hillsborough County 2019](#) was awarded Second Place. This bilingual publication, produced in partnership with [Hillsborough County Recycling](#), focused on helping students and community members understand the environmental impact of single-use plastics, waste reduction and reducing, reusing and recycling. It was written by Sue Bedry and Jodi Pushkin, *Times* staff, and designed by Lisa Schillinger, *Times* staff.

[NEA Big Read: The Things They Carried](#) was awarded Third Place. This publication was produced in partnership with the [Hillsborough County Public Library Cooperative](#) as part of the National Endowment for the Arts' [Big Read](#) program. It focused on Tim O'Brien's 1990 novel *The Things They Carried*, considered one of the most important books about the experience of war. It was written by Jodi Pushkin, *Times* staff, and designed by Lisa Schillinger, *Times* staff.

Established in 1885, the National Newspaper Association (NNA) is the voice of America's community newspapers and is the one of the largest newspaper associations in the country. The NNA Foundation (NNAF) is the educational arm of the NNA. Its mission is to promote news literacy, protect the First Amendment, and enhance the quality, role and capabilities of community newspapers and community journalists.

Winners will be recognized at an awards ceremony held Saturday, October 2, 2021, during the NNAF's 135th Annual Convention & Trade Show in Jacksonville, Fla.