

## **New DoDEA Director Celebrates Milestone Visits**

Dr. Beth Schiavino-Narvaez, in her first six months as Director of the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), recently marked a significant milestone during her inaugural visit to Fort Jackson. While at the Fort she visited C.C. Pinckney Elementary School—the 50th and final school in the Americas region for her to tour. Maj. Gen. Daryl Hood, Commander of the Army Training Center and Fort Jackson honored her with his command coin in recognition of that milestone as well as her leadership and dedication to military-connected education.

"Strong relationships with our military partners at each installation are incredibly important," said Schiavino-Narvaez. "I sincerely appreciate Maj. Gen. Hood's commitment to working with DoDEA as a collaborative team in service of our military-connected students."



Dr. Judith Minor, Americas Director for Student Excellence, presents Dr. Beth Schiavino-Narvaez with her command coin during a visit to C.C. Pinckney Elementary School, the 50th and final school on Schiavino-Narvaez's tour of the Americas region.

The occasion was further marked by Dr. Judith Minor, Americas Director for Student Excellence, who presented Schiavino-Narvaez with her command coin. This gesture highlighted the strong partnership between DoDEA

leadership and underscored their ongoing commitment to the success of students across the Americas.

"Dr. Schiavino-Narvaez's dedication to our students and DoDEA Vision is truly inspiring," said Minor. "Her visits to schools across the Americas region reflect our collaborative focus on educational excellence as the DoDEA leadership along with our shared commitment to ensuring that all military-connected students have access to the best education."

The visit to Fort Jackson was part of a multi-community trip; Schiavino-Narvaez also visited schools at MCCS Laurel Bay, engaging with students and staff and meeting with military leaders at MCAS Beaufort. The visits underscored her dedication to understanding the unique needs of military-connected students and fostering collaboration with military partners and across DoDEA schools.



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