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## **Local Educator Selected as Emerging Leader**

WEST PARK, FL—Lisa Mays, assistant principal at Rock Island Elementary School, has been recognized as an Emerging Leader by PDK International, a leading association of education professionals.

Her career in education began as a teacher of first through third grades. Mays also served as a curriculum resource teacher before becoming an assistant principal at North Side Elementary School. She later moved to Rock Island Elementary School.

“I truly believe that education is the beginning of all careers,” Mays said. “Educators motivate others to find their niche in society and nurture until goals are obtained.

A committee made up of PDK’s past Emerging Leaders selected the 20 honorees from a competitive field of applicants.

“The 20 members of the 2008-09 Class of Emerging Leaders embody the PDK tenets of leadership, research, and service,” said William Bushaw, PDK’s executive director. “They represent the best of the profession.”

For more information on PDK’s 2008-09 Class of Emerging Leaders, including podcast interviews with the honorees, go to [www.pdkemergingleaders.org](http://www.pdkemergingleaders.org). Information about PDK International is at [www.pdkintl.org](http://www.pdkintl.org).