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New partnership will honor top teachers at Jacksonville Jaguars game December 24

***Deutsche Bank partners with Jacksonville Public Education Fund
to congratulate 173 school-level teachers of the year***

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Oct. 3, 2016 — Public school educators in Duval County will be honored at a special Teacher Appreciation Game of the Jacksonville Jaguars on December 24 thanks to a new partnership with Deutsche Bank.

As the new Teacher Leadership Partner of the Jacksonville Public Education Fund's (JPEF) annual EDDY Awards teacher recognition program, Deutsche Bank will support JPEF's ongoing work to elevate leadership among our city's best public school educators.

"Deutsche Bank is committed to excellence in teaching and helping build a brighter future for the students of Duval County," Leslie Slover, Regional Head of Jacksonville and Cary, NC, Deutsche Bank said. "It is an honor to support the Jacksonville Public Education Fund through a grant and partnership with the Jacksonville Jaguars to make this program a success. A strong and vibrant education system means everyone is a winner: teachers, students, businesses and the entire community."

Deutsche Bank joins a long list of local businesses and community organizations that support teachers through the annual Duval County Teacher of the Year program, including Florida Blue, Wells Fargo and the Rotary Clubs of Duval County. In addition to the EDDY Awards, JPEF works with teachers throughout the year to bring educator voices to the policymaking table through its Teacher Roundtable program and to support classroom innovation through its PowerUP Jax grant program. Deutsche Bank's support will also help sustain and grow these efforts.

The year-long series of events kicks off on Wednesday, Oct. 5, with the Teacher of the Year Orientation and Reception at the U.S. Assure Club at EverBank Field, where 173 school-level teachers will be formally announced and recognized as nominees for the Florida Blue Duval County Teacher of the Year award. The nominees will submit detailed applications this fall that will be evaluated by a series of community committees, culminating on Feb. 24 at the Hyatt Regency, where the 2017 Florida Blue Duval County Teacher of the Year is announced, and all teachers are honored at the 26th Annual EDDY Awards.

"The EDDY Awards is an awe-inspiring night for the community to say 'thank you' for the tireless efforts of our city's best educators," Trey Csar, JPEF president, said. "This unique partnership with Deutsche Bank and the Jacksonville Jaguars extends that experience even further with the Teacher Appreciation Game." This is the first year in which the Jacksonville Jaguars will host a Teacher Appreciation Game. In addition to the Teacher of the Year nominees receiving tickets, the 15 district semifinalists will be honored with an on-field presentation during the game.

As part of the celebration, all Duval County Public Schools teachers and employees will have the opportunity to purchase discounted tickets to the Dec. 24 home game versus the Tennessee Titans.

“Teachers are the true MVPs,” Chad Johnson, senior vice president of sales and service for the Jaguars, said. “We look forward to hosting them at EverBank Field for our Teacher Appreciation Game and recognizing their outstanding work.”

A list of all 173 school-level teachers of the year is available online at <http://www.jaxpef.org/news/2017-teacher-of-the-year-nominees-announced/>.

*** Editors: Please plan to attend the Teacher of the Year Orientation and Reception on Oct. 5 at 3:00 p.m. for great photos and video opportunities. Contact Charmaine Campo, Marketing & Communications Manager, at (904) 790-1178 or Charmaine@jaxpef.org for more information. ***

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About the Jacksonville Public Education Fund

The Jacksonville Public Education Fund is an independent nonprofit organization that works to inform and mobilize the community to advocate for universally high-quality public schools for all children. For more information, visit www.jaxpef.org or call (904) 356-7757.

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About the Jacksonville Jaguars

The Jacksonville Jaguars are a professional football team, one of 32 member clubs of the National Football League (NFL), aligned in the South Division of the American Football Conference (AFC). Founded on Nov. 30, 1993, they began play in 1995 and are in their 22nd season of play in 2016. The team is owned by Shahid Khan, who purchased the franchise in January of 2012. The club plays its home games at EverBank Field, located near the St. Johns River in downtown Jacksonville, Florida. Since their inaugural season in 1995 the Jaguars have won two division championships and have made six playoff appearances.