

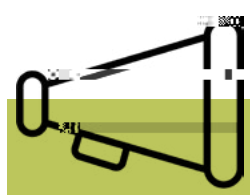


# CITY YEAR ORLANDO

## SCHOOLHOUSE NEWS, ISSUE 3

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Highlights from the Wells Fargo Team serving at Judson B. Walker Middle School



### JOYS

- We are excited to welcome two new smembers to the City Year Walker Family!
- Walker was honored to host a City Year Middle Schools for a training session - it was great to show our fellow student success coaches what we do here at Walker.
- The Walker team just finished closing out a week-long celebration of Black History Month that was a big success!



### STARFISH STORY - A STORY OF STUDENT IMPACT

BY FRANCISCO MONES

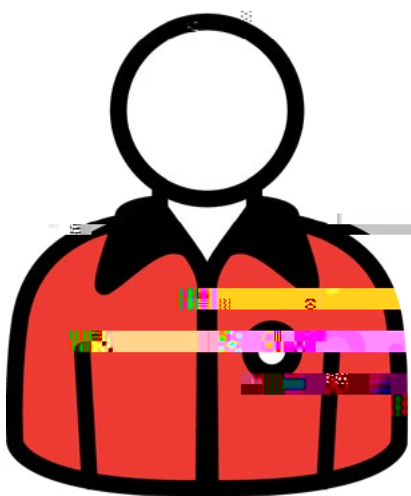


\*Rafael started his 6th grade year as the class clown and acted like he did not care about school. I could tell that he really did care, but he was putting on an act to protect himself from looking foolish. I showed him that I was on his side by cracking jokes and working one-on-one with him so he wouldn't have to worry about feeling embarrassed. Rafael struggled a lot with reading and lacked confidence because he couldn't read fast. I reminded him that everyone learns at different speeds and his reading level has nothing to do with his intelligence. He would only read when it was with me, but very quickly he started to read on his own. After working with him, Rafael does all of his assignments by himself and he has so much more confidence in his reading! He is still the class clown, but he enjoys class and loves to participate now.

\*=Student Pseudonym



### AMERICORPS MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Manisha is a proud AmeriCorps member serving on the Wells Fargo team at Judson B. Walker Middle School. She attended the University of Central Florida where she earned a bachelors degree in Psychology. Manisha chose to serve with City Year to give back to her community and gain professional experience in a school setting. She is taking this year at City Year as a chance to find her purpose.

Manisha has a strong sense of empathy and finds inspiration in creating safe and supportive environments for not only her students, but also her colleagues. Her plans after City Year are still undecided but she wants to do something where she can utilize her strengths.



### THE TEAM

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| Rachel Sands    | Sofia Acosta     |
| Francisco Mones | Manisha Warriier |

### UPCOMING DATES

#### MARCH

"Destress From the Test" Student Event  
Spring Break



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