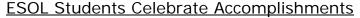


## OTHER EXCITING NEWS





Smiles lit up the President's Dining Room at Palm Beach State College on June 4, as a group of Early Childhood practitioners celebrated the completion of a rigorous course of study to improve their English language skills. Said one enthusiastic achiever, with a grin from ear to ear: "I feel so very important." That beaming spread across the room as each practitioner was presented with a certificate honoring the work completed. The intensive program provided second language learners working in early childhood centers in our county, with oral and written communication skills in Standard English. A video featured photos of the students as they progressed through their training sessions. Accolades for the determination to succeed were expressed by the Institute of Excellence's staff, who have worked closely with the students over the past two years.

What's next? Increased confidence to take the COMPASS test and to move forward along their academic pathway. Congratulations to all!

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