

MetroWest *Thrive*

A COMMUNITY PUBLICATION

Leading *with Heart*

Rebecca Young on Building Pride
at MetroWest Elementary

Public Service in Action

Engagement, stewardship, and lighting
improvements strengthening MetroWest

Fresh Flavor Arrives in MetroWest

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in Piazza Grande



Rebecca Young

2025-2026 Orange County
Public Schools Assistant
Principal of the Year



Thrive Begins with People

Students who work hard. Educators who lead with heart. Business owners who invest here. Neighbors who stay engaged. Individuals who show up every day.

This publication exists to showcase the people — and the progress — shaping MetroWest. Inside these pages, you'll see achievement. You'll see effort. You'll see forward movement: steady, intentional steps that build something stronger over time.

Live Beautiful.

Recently Elected Board of Directors

Please join us in welcoming the recently elected MetroWest Master Association Board of Directors. These individuals have stepped forward to serve the community and help guide MetroWest's continued growth and progress.

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Rebecca Young – Living Life Beautifully

How MetroWest Elementary's Assistant Principal Rebecca Young Radiates Pride Into the Community

Rebecca Young, Assistant Principal at MetroWest Elementary, the job comes with what she calls “an endless stream of proud mom moments.”

A mother of two young children, she sees the 450 students at MetroWest Elementary as an extension of her own family. Whether greeting students off the bus in the morning, celebrating academic wins, or cheering them on at weekend competitions, Young's leadership is grounded in visibility, consistency, and care.

“We need to provide a whole elementary experience where we're supporting the whole child,” Young said. “They feel like every staff member is their biggest cheerleader.”

That commitment was recently recognized when Young was named Assistant Principal of the Year for Orange County Public Schools at the district's Stellar Awards ceremony in January. While humbled by the honor, she redirected the spotlight quickly.

“I just felt the most proud to bring recognition to the hard work done by the staff and teachers,” she said. “I love

good news at schools. To have our name out there and spotlight the work going on inside the schoolhouse.”

“You don't always know where life will take you, but coming back to MetroWest felt special.”

Young's connection to MetroWest runs deep. After first joining the school in 2016, she later served at other campuses before receiving a call in 2025 inviting her to return and “rejoin her pod family.”

And the wins keep coming. Recently, the MetroWest Elementary Math Olympics team placed among the top in competition and will advance to district finals this spring — another proud moment in a school culture that celebrates effort as much as achievement.

Young describes her leadership style as “servant leadership.” Her belief is simple: when you take care of teachers, they take care of students. But her vision extends beyond the school walls.

“I want what is happening inside this school building to radiate out into the MetroWest community as a whole,” she said. “I want to make the community proud of our students.”

That pride — visible every morning in the courtyard and echoed in daily announcements celebrating student success — is exactly what it means to Live Beautifully in MetroWest.

In Service – Public Service Lights the Way

You may have noticed the newly branded Public Service vehicles moving throughout MetroWest. If you haven't yet, you will soon.

They're hard to miss — and that's intentional.

But these vehicles represent more than visibility. They reflect how MetroWest shows up: proactive, community-centered, and engaged.

Public Service today isn't just about response. It's about presence. It's about relationships. And it's about measurable impact.

January Activity Snapshot

Behind every number is a conversation, a check-in, a solution, or a moment of care.



- Business Contacts: 138
- Community Connections: 86
- Walk-and-Talks: 21
- Youth Engagements: 47
- Meet the Bus Safety Checks: 48
- Property Manager Contacts: 108
- Property Representative Contacts: 34
- Motorist Assists: 6

That's hundreds of intentional touchpoints in a single month — strengthening relationships, building trust, and reinforcing safety across MetroWest.

This is what steady commitment looks like in action.

Lighting the Future

Lighting is one of the most proactive investments a community can make. Well-lit spaces increase visibility, deter unwanted activity, and create environments where residents and businesses feel secure.

When lighting improves, confidence improves. When confidence improves, communities grow stronger.



Compliance & Care

Public Service plays a vital role in maintaining the standards that protect our shared investment.

In January alone, the team addressed the following community concerns:

Concern Type	Reported	Resolved
Aesthetic	65	54
General Safety	17	8
Sidewalk/Roadway	6	0
Landscaping	3	2
Signage	25	10
Lighting	52	12
Building & Structural Conditions	3	1

These numbers represent one month of proactive work to protect safety, improve appearance, and elevate the overall experience of living, working, and visiting MetroWest.

Compliance isn't about enforcement — it's about stewardship. It's about protecting the character, quality, and pride of our community.

Featured Business: Flow Açai Bowl

Flow Açai Bowl has officially opened in MetroWest, bringing its fresh, high-quality açai bowls and smoothies to the Piazza Grande area. Founded in Florida in 2017 with a mission to share authentic Brazilian açai culture, the brand has grown across Orlando's premier destinations — and now calls MetroWest home.

The new location, which opened in January 2026, offers energizing bowls, refreshing smoothies, and healthy options made with premium ingredients in a vibrant, welcoming space.

Flow Açai Bowl MetroWest
6965 Piazza Grande Ave #104
Orlando, FL 32835

For hours and menu, visit:
flowacaibowl.com



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CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF COMMUNITY.



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For four decades, MetroWest has been more than a place to live. It has been a community built on connection, care, and steady progress. As we celebrate our 40th anniversary, we honor the residents, businesses, educators, and leaders who have shaped our story and continue to move us forward. Together, we have built something lasting, and the next chapter is just beginning.

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