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FANS READY FOR PANTHERS' PURSUIT OF STANLEY CUP THREE-PEAT

from left: Michale Jones, Pearl, Everett and Ashley reacts as they get their photo taken with the Stanley Cup at the War Memorial Auditorium in Fort Lauderdale on Sunday at Florida Panthers Training Camp Fan Fest. To celebrate the upcoming season, fans showed up to watch the Panthers on the ice, do family activities and games, and meet the Panthers mascots Stanley C. Panther and Viktor E. Ratt as well as the Florida Panthers Dance Team.

Charter giant Success Academy expands to Miami with \$50M boost from Ken Griffin



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Citadel CEO Ken Griffin speaks after it was announced that the Success Academy charter school conglomerate is coming to Florida during a press conference at Florida International University on Thursday.

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New York's largest charter school conglomerate is coming in hot — with its eye on underutilized public school buildings in Miami-Dade.

At a press conference Thursday at Florida International University, Success Academy CEO Eva Moskowitz appeared alongside some of Florida's most powerful players, including Governor Ron DeSantis, Citadel founder and CEO Ken Griffin and FIU president Jeanette Nuñez, to announce Success Academy's expansion into

South Florida.

The announcement signals a significant push to further expand charter schools in South Florida, a move critics warn could drain resources from traditional public

schools already grappling with declining enrollment.

Ken Griffin, the billionaire transplant who has taken great interest in public education reform in Miami, pledged to give \$50 million to Success Academy to support the work.

Standing at a podium with the words "School Choice Success" on display, Governor Ron DeSantis said the increasing school options would ultimately benefit students.

"Here in Florida we are going to do everything we can to ensure you're successful," said the governor to Moskowitz.

Moskowitz runs 59 Success Academy charter schools in New York, serving about 22,000 students in some of the city's poorest neighbor-

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Trump administration detains hundreds of Venezuelans despite court order

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Three days after a federal judge upheld the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Venezuelans through 2026, immigration authorities detained Jeferson Pacheco Cruces during a routine immigration check-in appointment. According to his partner, he presented documents showing he was protected under TPS for Venezuelans, but immigration agents told him it wasn't valid.

When a San Francisco federal judge "ruled in favor of the Venezuelans, I was so happy — it felt such a relief," said Karina Pino, Pacheco's partner. "Jeferson had an upcoming immigration check-in, and the thought of it was taking away his peace of mind. He was worried he might be detained, but I truly believed the judge's ruling would protect him. And yet, they detained him anyway."

Lawyers and Venezuelan advocates tracking detained TPS holders told the Miami Herald that hundreds of Venezuelans have been arrested across the United States in the past four months. The Herald interviewed 30 family members of Venezuelan TPS holders who are currently detained in several states, including Florida, Arizona, Texas, Georgia, New York, New Jersey, Oklahoma, California and Pennsylvania.

Pacheco and Pino have been together for over 10 years. The couple first emigrated to Ecuador, then to Colombia, but left fearing growing prejudice against Venezuelans. Pacheco went to Tulsa,

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Paul Renner says even DeSantis will come around on his campaign for governor

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Since launching a campaign for governor this month, former Speaker of the House Paul Renner's pitch to Florida voters is that he "stood shoulder to shoulder" with Gov. Ron DeSantis in building the "Free State of Florida."

Want more of the same? He says he's the safest bet.

"If you like the way Florida's been run, you'll like the way it's run under Governor Renner," he told the Miami Herald during a 30-minute interview downtown. "Who's got the leadership experience to actually be governor of

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Former Florida House Speaker Paul Renner has entered the governor's race without endorsement from Ron DeSantis.

Proposed 'Gang Suppression Force' for Haiti to be larger, more lethal than before, U.S. says

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The Gang Suppression Force the U.S. is proposing for Haiti would be far larger, more like a military in makeup and more lethal than the current police-led Kenyan mission, the top U.S. diplomat in Port-au-Prince said. "To be clear, the mission is colored overwhelmingly as military due to the urban combat nature of it," said Henry Wooster, chargé d'affaires at the U.S. Embassy in Port-au-Prince. "But also happy to take police."

The military orientation of the newly proposed force would be a marked difference from the current Kenya-

led Multinational Security Support mission, which has suffered from broken-down equipment and hampered logistics.

The force would act to secure "places such as the airport, the seaports, key road junctures, power plants, etc., and so forth, all the things where a state, any state needs to assert its authority to establish the fact that it is, in fact, a sovereign enterprise," Wooster said.

Wooster and other U.S. officials had been using last week's United Nations General Assembly in New York to push for more international support for the proposed force, which the U.S. and

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