## Palm Pointe Educators Recently Presented in China

Debra Snyder, principal, and Kathleen Perez, assistant principal, from Palm Pointe Educational Research School at Tradition were extended an invitation to speak in China about their school, how to evaluate student achievements and tips on how to prepare Chinese students to study in the United States. The trip was hosted by Riverdeep Immersion Subject English (RISE), one of the premier children's English learning companies in China.

While in China there were opportunities to address and observe teachers at the different centers, meet with the Headmasters (Principals) of all RISE centers as well as speak at the Sino – US Principals Summit. More than 2,000 parents and distinguished guests attended the international summit that took place at Tsinghua University in Bejing, China on August 18.

The Sino-US Principals Summit served as a forum where China and America's principals discussed the differences between Chinese and American education and how to prepare children to become international leaders.

Palm Pointe is entering a Sister School Cooperation Agreement which will promote Sino-US educational cooperation and communication, produce an advantage for both countries' education, foster the development of both schools, and develop quality people and leaders of Subject English Education Research Academy.

Palm Pointe is a K-8 charter school resulting from a partnership project of FAU and St. Lucie County School District. The school serves as a research site for the colleges and departments at Florida



Miss Snyder, Mrs. Perez, Mrs. Martin and Ms. Pruitt from St. Lucie County stand with Mr. Wang XuMing, the former Ministry of Education spokesman before participating in a panel discussion on how to prepare our children to become international leaders in Beijing, China.



After a long flight, Debra Snyder, Kathleen Perez, Lydia Martin and Elizabeth Pruitt arrived in Beijing, China. They were picked by a delegate from the RISE center and were prepared for a five day trip including visits to schools, meeting with parents, principals and executives from RISE.

Atlantic University and as a location for FAU College of Education pre-student teaching experiences of undergraduate elementary and secondary education students. College of Education members sit on Palm Pointe's Advisory Board.

Miss Snyder and Mrs. Perez are FAU alums; both hold a Masters in Education.





American visitors, including Miss Debra Snyder and Mrs. Kathleen Perez, stand along with the headmasters from the 27 RISE centers in Beijing, China. The American guests were hosted by RISE and had opportunities to speak to teachers, headmasters and parents during their recent visit.