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The School Board of Miami-Dade County

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BOARD APPROVES FOUR ITEMS PROPOSED BY CHAIR RECOGNIZING EDUCATORS, A NATIONAL SAFETY INITIATIVE, AND COMMEMORATING CUBA AND ITS PATRIOTS

The School Board unanimously approved four items proposed by Board Chair Perla Tabares Hantman. The Board voted to:

- Recognize May 3, 2011 as National Teacher Day.
- Endorse the National "Click It or Ticket" Safety Campaign, May 23 – June 5, 2011
- Commemorate the 109th Anniversary of the Independence of Cuba from Spain – May 20, 2011
- Honor the Veterans and fallen members of the Brigade 2506 on The 50th anniversary of the Bay of Pigs Invasion.



School Board Chair recognizes Bay of Pigs Veterans. Among those in attendance to receive resolution were Luis Arrizurieta, Senator Javier Souto, Miami Dade County Commissioner, Luis Morse, former Florida Speaker Pro-temp, Frank de Varona, Alberto Valera, Andrés Manso, Roberto Pichardo, Oscar Rodríguez, Humberto Hernández, Mario Martínez Malo, Carlos Hernández, Eddie Marill and Alberto Pérez.

"Miami-Dade County Public Schools appreciates and values its teaching professionals, who are passionate about student success in the classroom and beyond," said Ms. Hantman.

"The national 2011 'Click It or Ticket' campaign helps to show that regular seatbelt use is the single most effective way to protect people and to reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes.

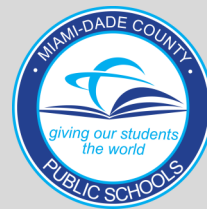
Additionally, we are taking the time to commemorate the 109th anniversary of the independence of Cuba from Spain and the 50th anniversary of the Bay of Pigs invasion," Ms. Hantman added. "The school district has a rich and long legacy of supporting the Cuban-American community and has provided innovative programs and a comprehensive curriculum to help them achieve their goals of an education and professional training.

AS PROPOSED BY BOARD CHAIR PERLA TABARES HANTMAN, SCHOOL BOARD ACCEPTS A CLOSEOUT REPORT ON THE 2010 U.S. CENSUS

The Miami-Dade School Board unanimously accepted a closeout report on the 2010 Census Redistricting data published by the U.S. Census Bureau.

In March 2011, the bureau published data establishing Florida's 2010 population at 18,801,310, representing a 17.6 percent increase from 2000 levels. Miami-Dade County grew 10.8 percent, with a population of 2,496,435. County-wide, the white non-Hispanic population decreased by 17.7 percent to 383,551, the Hispanic population increased by 25.7 percent, to 1,623,859 and the Black or African American population saw a slight decline of 0.4 percent to 425,650. In Miami-Dade County, the number of children under the age of 18 decreased by 2.4 percent.

"The population counts for Miami-Dade County are reflective of the massive outreach efforts performed by the School District and its community partners," said Ms. Hantman, who was the Co-Chair of the Miami-Dade County Census 2010 Complete Count Committee. "As a result, our communities will benefit from over \$400 billion in federal funds that will be distributed annually to state and local areas, for schools, child care centers, hospitals, senior centers, emergency services, and job training centers."



Upcoming Dates to Note:

May School Board Meeting
May 11, 2011

Advanced Placement Exams
May 2-13, 2011

End of Course Exams (Algebra I)
May 16-27, 2011

District 4 Teacher Highlights



Mr. Agustin Grana, Region IV Teacher of the Year received resolution in recognition of National Teacher Day.

Mrs. Linda Stern from **Jose Marti Middle School** was selected by the Florida Art Educators Association (FAEA) as a nominee for Florida's Outstanding Middle Art Educator Award for 2011.

Ms. Elizabeth Gendys-Rodriguez from **American Senior High** will represent Region Center 1 for the 2010 Office Employee of the Year and Ms. Veronica Ivory will represent for the 2010 Support Staff Employee of the Year.

Ms. Ana Soto, a Social Studies teacher from **Hialeah Senior High School** has been selected as the recipient of the 2010-2011 "Un Maestro Especial Award.