



Perla Tabares Hantman, Chair

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THE MIAMI- DADE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES THREE RESOLUTIONS PROPOSED BY BOARD CHAIR PERLA TABARES HANTMAN RECOGNIZING POSTER CONTEST WINNERS , NATIONAL AND GLOBAL INITIATIVES

The School Board unanimously approved three resolutions proposed by Board Chair Perla Tabares Hantman recognizing the three winners of the 2011 WalkSafe Poster Contest, a national children's safety initiative and a global environmental program, which are among issues near and dear to Ms. Hantman.

"I would like to congratulate the three student winners of the WalkSafe Poster Contest whose works of art help promote safety throughout the District," said Ms. Hantman. "In addition, I am proud to be able to bring forth initiatives that help raise students' consciousness and prepare them for life beyond the classroom as citizens of the world."

The Board voted to:

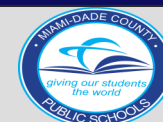
- Recognize **Ericka Sermiot**, 1st grade and state winner, Gertrude K. Edelman/Sabal Palm Elementary; **Fabio Fernandez**, 3rd grade and state winner, Treasure Island Elementary School; and **Carolina Caba**, 5th grade, Virginia A. Boone/Highland Oaks Elementary School.
- Proclaim the month of April 2012 as Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Month.
- Proclaim April 22, 2012 as *Earth Day* in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.



School Board Chairman Perla Tabares Hantman, Superintendent of Schools Alberto M. Carvalho and Academy Award-winning actress, producer, director, and long-time children's advocate Goldie Hawn unveiled a partnership agreement that will benefit children at selected Miami-Dade Public Schools.

District 4 School Highlights

- **Jose Marti MAST 6-12 Academy's** 6th and 9th graders participated with 6-12th graders in this year's South Florida Engineering and Science Fair. Despite the higher ages/grades, the school brought home six Honorable Mentions in Plant Sciences, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering, Chemistry and Astronomy. In addition, two students brought home 2nd place Honors in Chemistry and in the areas of Energy and Transportation.
- **American Senior High School** will host a Fitness Workshop on March 7, 2012 and March 8, 2012 for selective students to promote a "Healthier Lifestyle". This is an initiative derived as being a school recognized with Alliance for Healthier Generation Grant.
- **Miami Lakes K-8 Center** was selected to participate in "El Club de Libros 23". Univision-Channel 23 came to the school to tape eighth grade students perform "Don Quijote de la Mancha". The campaign consists of segments of weekly readings with the reporters, which are broadcast during the morning show Noticias 23 Al Amanecer. The goal of these segments and the campaign as a whole is to promote bilingual reading, highlight the importance of reading in education and the positive messages that can be found in the books.



Upcoming Dates to Note:

School Board Meeting
March 7, 2012

Spring Recess
March 12- 16, 2012

Teacher Planning Day
March 30, 2012

Happy St. Patrick's Day !



2012 Miami National College Fair



Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman, Chair of the School Board of Miami-Dade County along with Superintendent of Schools Alberto M. Carvalho as they are officially opening the 2012 National College Fair

