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THE MIAMI-DADE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES FIVE ITEMS PROPOSED BY BOARD CHAIR PERLA TABARES HANTMAN

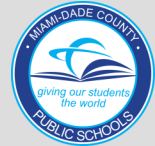
The School Board unanimously approved five items proposed by Board Chair Perla Tabares Hantman at its regularly scheduled meeting.

The Board voted to:

- Authorize the Chair and Superintendent to develop a plan for consideration by the Board which aligns the Ethics and Accountability functions of the District to provide transparency, ease of public reporting, and the coordination of ethics training, advice, and oversight.
- Recognize the students of the 2011-2012 Miami Lakes Middle School Project Citizen Class for winning first place at the State Competition and earning a Superior rating at the National competition this summer with their project "Warning! Illegal Passing of School Buses."
- Encourage teen drivers and the community at large to take the national "no texting while driving" pledge on September 19, 2012 and to make a lifelong commitment to never text while driving.
- Recognize September 17, 2012, as Constitution Day.
- Support Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho's efforts in securing changes in the manner in which the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) performance of English Language Learners (ELL) is incorporated into school grade calculations.



"No Texting & Driving" Pledge Rally
American Senior High School
September 19, 2012



Upcoming Dates to Note:

**International Walk to School
Celebration at Palm Lakes
Elementary School**
October 2, 2012

School Board Meeting
October 10, 2012

Teacher Planning Day
October 26, 2012

**HAVE A SAFE
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!**



SCHOOL EVENT PHOTOS



School Board Chair Perla Tabares Hantman attends Open House at Bob Graham Education Center



State Representative
Janet Adkins
Visits Miami Lakes
Educational Center

District 4 School Highlights

- **John G. DuPuis Elementary School** received three Head Start classrooms and have 57 Head Start children who have had a smooth transition into the school. The faculty, staff, and parents have been very supportive and are working together to ensure that these young children receive high quality care and instruction in order to build a strong educational foundation.
- **Jose Marti MAST 6-12 Academy** has been awarded a generous grant provided by the Committee for Economic Development in Washington, D.C. The grant was made possible by The Council for Educational Change. This STEM based grant is the first of its kind and is known as Business Partnership to Advance STEM Success (B-Pass). The grant will provide a pathway to enhance the science based business partners with the school and to provide teachers with professional development.
- **Miami Lakes Middle School** is now one of Miami-Dade County Public Schools newest magnet programs. The Legal Studies Magnet at Miami Lakes Middle School challenges students with a curriculum that prepares them for Advanced Placement Classes and Dual Enrollment High School Courses. The concentration in Legal Studies was a natural fit for the school as it houses the nationally recognized Project Citizen Program.