



Perla Tabares Hantman, Chair

The School Board of Miami-Dade County

305-995-1334
PHantman@dadeschools.net
1450 N.E. 2nd Avenue, Suite 700
Miami, FL 33132

Issue 26 – July 2013

THE MIAMI-DADE SCHOOL BOARD APPROVES THREE ITEMS PROPOSED BY BOARD CHAIR PERLA TABARES HANTMAN AUTHORIZING CODIFICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF CHANGES TO THE STATE'S ETHICS LAWS, ENDORSING ADDITIONAL SCHOOLS FOR SUBMITTAL UNDER THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM, AND RECOGNIZING THE MEMBERS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION

The School Board unanimously approved three items proposed by School Board Chair Perla Tabares Hantman at its regular meeting. The items authorize codification and implementation of changes to the State's Ethics laws; endorse additional schools for submittal under the Safe Routes to School infrastructure grant program; and recognize the Members of the Miami-Dade County Legislative Delegation for their support of Miami-Dade County Public Schools during the 2013 Legislative Session.

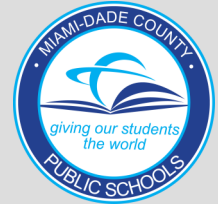
"I am proud to bring forward an initiative that helps promote safety throughout the District for student pedestrians," said Ms. Hantman. "It also gives me great pleasure to have the opportunity to recognize the Members of the Miami-Dade County Legislative Delegation for their support of Miami-Dade County Public Schools during the 2013 Legislative Session."

The Board voted to:

- Authorize the Superintendent to initiate rulemaking proceedings in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act to amend School Board bylaw 0140, Membership, to annually provide four (4) hours of ethics training for School Board members and the Superintendent as specified and required by Senate Bill 2, Chapter 2013-36, Laws of Florida.
- Endorse additional schools for submittal under the Safe Routes to School infrastructure grant program sponsored by the U.S. Department of Transportation, and authorize the Superintendent to formalize the grant applications accordingly.
- Recognize the Members of the Miami-Dade County Legislative Delegation for their support of Miami-Dade County Public Schools during the 2013 Legislative Session.

District 4 School Highlights

- **Flamingo Elementary School** - Second grade students have been selected to participate in the Miami-Dade County Public Schools "The Learn to Swim Program" (LTSP) for the 2013-2014 school year. The primary goal of the LTSP is to teach swimming and water safety to all students. As a result of participation in the LTSP, students will develop the following educational outcomes:
 - Develop life-saving physical swimming proficiency
 - Expanded awareness of water safety skills
 - Improved quality of life and appreciation of water-related activities
 - Maintain a healthy life style and sense of well-being
- **Ben Sheppard Elementary School** - During June 10 - June 21, 2013, a two week summer camp was offered, which incorporated the best of Math and Science in a fun, interactive way. This great opportunity was offered to incoming 5th graders. Combined with technology, hands-on activities included creating cities using coordinate grids; paperless division competition using only manipulatives; creating a rock cycle using chocolate and peanut butter chips; and exploring the States of Matter while making ice cream.



Upcoming Dates to Note:

★ Independence Day ★
July 4, 2013



School Board Meeting
July 17, 2013

Commencement Ceremonies Congratulations to the Class of 2013!

