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The School Board unanimously approved four items proposed by Board Chair Perla Tabares Hantman at the regularly scheduled Board Meeting. The items recognized a National Day for honoring teachers and the seven winners of the annual Senior High School Safety Campaign Contest, endorsed a weeklong honor for administrative professionals and commemorated the 112th anniversary of Cuba.

The Board voted to:

- Recognize May 6, 2014 as National Teacher Day.
- Recognize the seven winners of the 2014 Senior High School Student Safety Campaign Contest sponsored by the Miami-Dade County Metropolitan Planning Organization to promote pedestrian and vehicle driver safety at the Senior High School level:
 - **Poster Contest** – Naomi Cruz from Miami Springs Senior High – first-place winner, Maria Acevedo from Miami Senior High – second-place winner, Lianet Rodriguez from Alonzo & Tracy Mourning Senior High Biscayne Bay – third-place winner.
 - **PSA Contest** – Austin Zaring from Robert Morgan Senior High – first-place winner, Anthony Whyly from Alonzo & Tracy Mourning Senior High Biscayne Bay – second-place winner, Yaritza Vado from Miami Senior High – third-place winner; Eddie Canales from Jose Marti MAST 6-12 Academy – honorable mention.
- Endorse April 20-26, 2014 as Administrative Professionals Week and April 23, 2014 as Administrative Professionals Day.



Upcoming Dates to Note:

School Board Meeting
May 7, 2014

Mother's Day
May 11, 2014

112th Anniversary of Cuba's Independence
May 20, 2014

Memorial Day
May 26, 2014



School Board Chair Was Awarded the "key to the city" by the Mayor and Council Members of the Town of Miami Lakes at its April 8, 2014 Meeting

District 4 School Highlights

- **Bob Graham Education Center** - The Law Studies Class has won another District competition. The students earned first place in the Project Citizen Contest for their project, "Life is on the Line." Project Citizen is a curricular program that promotes competent and responsible participation in local and state government. The program helps participants learn how to monitor and influence public policy. The entire class worked to identify a public policy problem that needed to be addressed. The class researched teenage drinking and alcohol poisoning. They chose to propose that the state's "911 Good Samaritan Act," which gives amnesty to a person calling related to a drug overdose also include alcohol related emergencies.



- **Lawton Chiles Middle School** - Thanks to grant funding this year, the students, teachers, and parents have been able to create a community vegetable garden. Additionally, a butterfly garden was also created to enable students to learn about the life cycle of a butterfly.

