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October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month



Upcoming Dates to Note:

School Board Meeting

October 7, 2014

International Walk to School

Day Celebration at

Meadowlane Elementary

October 8, 2014

Teen Driver Safety Event at

Hialeah Gardens

Senior High School

October 21, 2014

Halloween

October 31, 2014



Perla Tabares Hantman, Chair joined U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan, philanthropists Eli and Edythe Broad, and Honorable Tony Blair, former prime minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland at the Time Warner Center in New York City on Monday, September 22nd for the announcement of the 2014 Broad prize winners. The Broad Prize for Urban Education has been awarded to two school districts: Gwinnett County Public Schools in Georgia and Orange County Public Schools in Florida.

District 4 Highlights

- Radio Disney visited Palm Lakes Elementary School to promote good health and physical fitness. Students and staff engaged in a number of activities that promote a healthy lifestyle. One of the activities included dancing as a fun-filled way for students to exercise. Additionally, the staff received a special surprise, by former student, Ms. Kelly Baluja who now works for Radio Disney and was the coordinator for this event.



- West Hialeah Gardens Elementary School is proud to announce the start of a new Cambridge Primary Program. With the Cambridge Primary Program, students receive instruction that builds upon a solid foundation of comprehensive objectives, helping develop confidence, responsibility, and reflection. The curriculum frameworks in English, Math, and Science provide a six-stage teaching and learning structure that promotes critical thinking and collaborative teamwork. In English, students acquire skills which allow them to communicate confidently and effectively. The Science curriculum helps build proficiency in investigation, evaluation, and analysis of data and scientific evidence. Mathematics instruction targets essential skills such as problem solving and is based on research findings from England's renowned Cambridge University. A total of 400 students in grades Kindergarten through fifth will participate in the inaugural program this year. The plans are to expand the program to the entire school within the next three years.