

Roger C. Cuevas, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: CLOSE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUSES

At the Board meeting of April 14, 1999, the Board directed the Superintendent of Schools to close all senior high school campuses for lunch by the fall of 2001. Subsequently, at the June 23, 1999, School Board meeting, many logistical issues related to facilities, personnel, and security were raised.

As a result, a plan that takes into consideration budget, school overcrowding, renovation of facilities, the need for additional security and custodial personnel, and community involvement is being proposed as follows:

- All senior high school campuses will be closed for lunch by the opening of the school year 2004 - 2005.
 - All senior high school campuses will be closed for lunch for ninth grade students by the opening of the school year 2000-2001.
 - All senior high school campuses will be closed for lunch for ninth and tenth grade students by the opening of the school year 2001-2002.
 - The 1999-2000 school year will be a planning year for all senior high schools that presently have open or semi-closed lunch campuses. The planning phase will include input from each school's leadership team, involving students, teachers, and parents, as well as business community members. Each school's plan will be submitted to the district by January 31, 2000.
- The Superintendent of Schools will submit the implementation plan to the School Board at its regularly scheduled meeting of May 17, 2000. The implementation plan will include budgetary requirements, as well as the specific plans for facilities, personnel, and security enhancements.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the plan of action to close all senior high school campuses by the opening of the school year 2004-2005.

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REPLACEMENT

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