

August 9, 2002

Paul R. Philip, Chief of Staff

**SUBJECT:           SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE  
                      MICHAEL A. RUIZ – TEACHER  
                      IRVING AND BEATRICE PESKOE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

On August 9, 2002, the Superintendent of Schools sent the following letter to Mr. Michael A. Ruiz:

I am exercising my responsibility as Superintendent of Schools and recommending to The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, at its scheduled meeting of August 21, 2002, that the School Board suspend you without pay from your current position as Teacher at Irving and Beatrice Peskoe Elementary School, for 30 workdays, effective August 22, 2002, for just cause, including, but not limited to: misconduct in office and violation of School Board Rules 6Gx13-4A-1.21, Responsibilities and Duties; 6Gx13-5D-1.05, Injury to Students; 6Gx13-5D-1.07, Corporal Punishment-Prohibited; and 6Gx13-6A-1.331, Procedures for Providing Special Education for Exceptional Students. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 230.03(2), 230.23(5)(f), 231.36 and 447.209, Florida Statutes.

You have waived, in writing, your right to an administrative hearing.

**RECOMMENDED:** That effective August 22, 2002, the School Board suspend Mr. Michael A. Ruiz, Teacher at Irving and Beatrice Peskoe Elementary School for 30 workdays without pay.

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