

Mr. Agustin J. Barrera, Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-14 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENDORSING THE STATE RESOLUTION SUPPORTED BY GOVERNOR JEB BUSH, DECLARING THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9-15, 2003, AS FLORIDA CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION WEEK, AND TO INFORM ADMINISTRATIONS TO PROMOTE RELATED ACTIVITIES IN ALL MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

COMMITTEE: COMMUNITY, ADULT AND ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

Miami-Dade County Public Schools has made a commitment to the academic and applied technology education of its students. The Board has established a career education program at the elementary level which leads into applied technology courses at the secondary level. Numerous strategies have been employed to ensure that students are ready to pursue a post-secondary education at one of the District's technical education centers, at Miami-Dade Community College, or through the university system.

The District serves more than 149,088 students in its post-secondary and adult education centers annually. Adult education students pursue literacy skills, high school diplomas, vocational certificates, and professional licenses. The District has been a leader in providing these services to the community; therefore, it is fitting that the Board approve the state resolution supported by the governor, declaring the week of February 9-15, 2003, as Florida Career and Technical Education Week. Additionally, because of the Board's continued support of workforce development education, it is requested that the Board issue its own resolution declaring the week of February 9-15, 2003, as Florida Career and Technical Education Week.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MR. AGUSTIN J. BARRERA:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 03-14 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, endorsing the state resolution supported by Governor Jeb Bush, declaring the week of February 9-15, 2003, as Florida Career and Technical Education Week, and inform administrations to promote related activities in all Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

AB/HJM:mjm

**RESOLUTION NO. 03-14 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
ENDORING THE STATE RESOLUTION SUPPORTED BY GOVERNOR JEB BUSH,
DECLARING THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 9-15, 2003, AS FLORIDA CAREER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION WEEK, AND INFORMING ADMINISTRATIONS TO PROMOTE
RELATED ACTIVITIES IN ALL MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools supports career and technical education as the foundation for preparing Florida's students for academic success and the workforce; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools has established through its comprehensive high schools, adult education centers and technical education centers an excellent network of schools that meet the workforce development needs of the Miami-Dade County community; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education is a comprehensive approach to workforce education and preparation that provides opportunities for self-sufficiency and career advancement for Florida's citizens, promotes literacy and academic advancement, and provides job training and employer partnerships designed to improve statewide economic development; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education is an integral component for Florida's employers to draw upon for maintaining an academically-prepared, technologically-skilled, and competent workforce; and

WHEREAS, the statewide system of workforce education includes programs and services for all occupations delivered locally through school district technical centers and community colleges, and serves Florida students in K-12 and adult education; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools affirms the significance and importance of this merited recognition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 03-14 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, endorsing the state resolution supported by Governor Jeb Bush, declaring the week of February 9-15, 2003, as Florida Career and Technical Education Week, and inform administrations to promote related activities in all Miami-Dade County public schools.

A copy of this resolution is placed in the permanent records of this Board.

Presented this twelfth day of February, A.D. 2003

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Chair

ATTEST:

Secretary