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SUBJECT: REPORT - STUDENT VOTER REGISTRATION FOR 2002-2003

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

Each year, beginning with the 1972-1973 school year, the Division of Social Sciences has coordinated student voter registration in the district's senior high schools. This activity directly reinforces the School Board's commitment to citizenship education. Eligible students are registered to vote by Miami-Dade County Public Schools' social studies teachers through their American Government or Economics classes. Materials, supplies, and general support are provided by the Miami-Dade County Elections Department.

The total number of students who registered to vote during the 2002-2003 school year was 11, 538. Since the 1972-1973 school year, 218,507 students have been registered to vote by social studies teachers.

In order to register to vote during the 2002-2003 school year, students must have been:

- at least 17 years of age as of May 15, 2003;
- citizens of the United States;
- residents of Miami-Dade County; and
- able to provide the last four digits of their Social Security number.

Factors that may have prevented students from registering to vote include prior registration, religious conviction, felony conviction, and mental incapacity.

Attached is a compilation, by senior high school, of the number of students who have registered to vote since the 1972-1973 school year. In addition to the results for the 2002-2003 school year, information is provided regarding each school's voter registration percentage for the previous school year. Each school's voter registration report is validated by the principal's signature.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, receive the 2002-2003 Student Voter Registration Report.

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**STUDENT VOTER REGISTRATION PROGRAM REPORT
2002-2003**

Senior High School	Number of Eligible Students Registered 2002-2003	Percent Registered 2002-2003	Percent Registered 2001-2002	Total Registered 1972 - 2003
American	360	100%	100%	5,486
G. Holmes Braddock	681	100%	100%	6,450
Coral Gables	318	100%	100%	8,726
Coral Reef	285	100%	100%	1,595
Design and Architecture	89	100%	100%	588
Barbara Goleman	424	100%	100%	2,052
Hialeah	206	100%	100%	6,432
Hialeah-Miami Lakes	556	100%	100%	11,540
Homestead	317	100%	100%	6,830
Dr. Michael M. Krop	477	100%	100%	1,450
MAST Academy	131	100%	100%	968
Miami Beach	234	100%	100%	6,196
Miami Carol City	433	100%	100%	7,322
Miami Central	231	100%	100%	7,586
Miami Coral Park	430	100%	100%	8,444
Miami Edison	174	100%	100%	4,349
Miami Jackson	184	100%	100%	5,163
Miami Killian	438	100%	100%	13,655
Miami Norland	269	100%	100%	7,547
Miami Northwestern	302	100%	73%	8,889

Senior High School	Number of Eligible Students Registered 2002-2003	Percent Registered 2002-2003	Percent Registered 2001-2002	Total Registered 1972 - 2003
Miami Palmetto	584	100%	100%	13,542
Miami Senior	236	100%	100%	5,551
Miami Southridge	371	100%	100%	10,718
Miami Springs	283	100%	100%	6,406
Miami Sunset	479	100%	100%	11,473
New World School of the Arts	94	100%	100%	1,439
North Miami	394	100%	100%	8,914
North Miami Beach	363	100%	100%	9,643
South Dade	260	100%	100%	6,942
South Miami	347	100%	100%	7,549
Southwest Miami	480	100%	100%	9,092
William H. Turner Technical Arts	223	100%	100%	1,940
Felix Varela	417	100%	N/A*	417
Booker T. Washington	122	100%	100%	283
Other**	367	N/A	N/A	3,330
TOTALS	11,538			218,507

* In the identified year, 12th grade students were not enrolled in the school.

** Indicates students registered from other education programs; i.e., alternative education, specialized education centers, or vocational/adult education centers.