

School Police and District Security  
Gerald L. Darling, Chief of Police

**SUBJECT: THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPT THE DONATION OF A BLOODHOUND FROM THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, FOR USE IN LOCATING ABDUCTED AND/OR MISSING CHILDREN IN THE DISTRICT**

**COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY**

Hillary Sessions, President, USA Child Protection Inc., in conjunction with the Jimmy Ryce Foundation, sponsors the training and donation of bloodhounds to various law enforcement agencies. Together, they provide fifty (50) bloodhounds per year to different police agencies in an effort to assist in the location of abducted and/or missing children. The bloodhounds are trained "search and rescue" dogs.

As part of this program, "Tiffany", a female bloodhound, was recently donated to the State Attorney's Office. "Tiffany" was named after Tiffany Sessions, the victim of an abduction and homicide on February 9, 1989. On Wednesday, February 16, 2005, Ms. Katherine Fernandez-Rundle, State Attorney, presented "Tiffany" to the Miami-Dade Schools Police Department (MDSPD).

The primary function of a K-9 team is to search for and locate suspects, evidence that can be linked to a specific crime scene, or missing persons. The MDSPD currently utilizes canines trained in explosive ordnance detection, narcotics detection, and apprehension. The addition of a "search and rescue" bloodhound to the MDSPD will fully complement the K-9 unit, and enhance the Department's ability to safeguard the lives of students in the District. MDSPD K-9s are also used regularly to conduct school presentations. The dog's proposed handler is currently an officer with MDSPD, and has been selected after participating in a K-9 assessment process. Deployment of the K-9 is governed by Department policy.

MDSPD officers often respond to calls for service regarding missing children. With the rarest of exception, children are usually located without incident; however, preparing to respond to the worst case scenario is in everyone's best interest. The addition of "Tiffany" will be a valuable asset to the school district.

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**RECOMMENDED:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, accept the donation of a bloodhound from the Miami-Dade County, State Attorney's Office, to assist in the location of abducted and/or missing children in the District

Office of Human Resources  
Paul M. Cholak, Chief Personnel Officer


**SUBJECT: PERSONNEL ACTION LISTING OF INSTRUCTIONAL AND NON-INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENTS, REASSIGNMENTS, LEAVES AND SEPARATIONS: JANUARY 27, 2005 - FEBRUARY 23, 2005**

**COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY**

The Personnel Action Listing numbered 949 consisting of 324 pages, includes the following items:

INSTRUCTIONAL		NON-INSTRUCTIONAL	
Full-time Appointments	166	Full-time Appointments	63
Part-time Appointments	1,569	Part-time Appointments	921
Reassignments, Change of Status	346	Reassignments, Change of Status	328
Leaves	94	Leaves	35
Separations	638	Separations	613

Submitted requesting approval:

  
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Chief Personnel Officer  
Office of Human Resources

March 16, 2005  
Date

Recommending Approval:

  
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Superintendent of Schools

March 16, 2005  
Date

Note: Numerous names are duplicated as a result of reassignments, changes in account serial numbers, job position code changes, and terminations of employees in multiple positions.

A copy of Personnel Action Listing 949, will be on file in the Office of the Recording Secretary to the School Board, in the Citizen Information Center, and the School Board Members' Office, prior to the Board Meeting of March 16, 2005.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the instructional and non-instructional appointments, reassignments, leaves, and separations as included in Personnel Action Listing 949.

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Office of Human Resources  
Paul M. Cholak, Chief Personnel Officer

**SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS AND LATERAL ASSIGNMENTS OF MANAGERIAL EXEMPT, PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL PERSONNEL FOR 2004-2005**

**COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY**

The following recommendations are made in accordance with Board Rules 6Gx13- 4A-1.16, 6Gx13 -4A-1.161, and the Miami-Dade County Public Schools/Dade County School Administrators' Association labor contract.

Considerations for reassignments of managerial exempt, professional and technical personnel were predicated upon an intensive review of information by appropriate administrators.

The recommended managerial exempt, professional and technical personnel appointments reflect the honoring of requests for lateral reassignments, where possible. Assignments of personnel and appointments of managerial exempt, professional and technical staff may be a result of the Board-approved advertisement and selection process, or by a direct appointment of an individual who has demonstrated the specific qualifications and background applicable to the position.

State Statutes and subsequent changes in Board rules governing Administrative/Professional and Technical Staffing require that all first year principalship appointments be "Interim" appointments.

In order to fill school-site allocations and other allocations vacated by promotion, leave, retirement, and other attritional factors, it is recommended that the following personnel assignments be authorized by the School Board. Revisions, additions and /or deletions may be made to the recommended personnel assignments, as necessary, to assure efficient school system operations, and if such modifications are made, a revised Board item will be submitted prior to the Board meeting.

**SCHOOL-SITE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENTS**  
**PRINCIPALS**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT PG</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 PG</u></b>
Raul Calzadilla, Jr.	Elementary Assistant Principal, Leisure City Elementary School	AP	Interim Elementary Principal, Air Base Elementary School	P1
Columbus Williams, Jr.	Elementary Assistant Principal, Avocado Elementary School	AP	Interim Elementary Principal, Bel Aire Elementary School	P1
MaryAnn MacLaren	Elementary Assistant Principal, Frank Crawford Martin Elementary School	AP	Interim Elementary Principal, Vineland Elementary School	P1
Mark Soffian	Senior Assistant Principal, American Senior High School	AP	Interim Middle School Principal, Carol City Middle School	P2
Marisel Elias	Administrative Director Instructional Support, PK/Elementary Instructional Support	24	Elementary Principal, E.W.F. Stirrup Elementary School (Career redirection at the request of the incumbent)	P1

**SCHOOL-SITE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENTS**  
**ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT PG</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 PG</u></b>
Gisela B. Rodriguez	Counselor, Lawton Chiles Middle School	--	Temporary Middle Assistant Principal, Henry H. Filer Middle School	AP
Lissette M. Garcia	Bilingual Curriculum Content Teacher, Eugenia B. Thomas Elementary School	--	Temporary Elementary Assistant Principal, Eugenia B. Thomas Elementary School	AP

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**ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT PG</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 PG</u></b>
Ines Diaz	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher, Hialeah Gardens Elementary School	--	Elementary Assistant Principal, Rainbow Park Elementary School	AP
Martha Chavez	Temporary Middle School Assistant Principal, Jose de Diego Middle School	AP	Elementary Assistant Principal, North Hialeah Elementary School	AP

**NON-SCHOOL-SITE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENTS**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT PG</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 PG</u></b>
Elizabeth A. Ferreira-Alves	Middle School Principal, Cutler Ridge Middle School	P2	District Director Curriculum, Curriculum and Instruction	23
Ursula T. Wright	Teacher, Henry H. Filer Middle School	--	Executive Director CIU, Civilian Investigative Unit	22
Ian A. Moffett	Lieutenant, MDCPS General Investigative Unit	--	Police Captain, MDCPS Police	20

**NON-SCHOOL-SITE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENTS**  
**PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT PG</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 PG</u></b>
Meyme Falcone	Budget Analyst, Financial OPS/Budget	43	District Supervisor Grants Administration, Intergovernmental Affairs/Grants Administration	45
Adriana L. Christopher	Patrol Officer, MDCPS Region II	--	Investigator, CIU Civilian Investigative Unit	42
Roslind G. Martin	Teacher, Hialeah-Miami Lakes Senior High School	--	Investigator, CIU Civilian Investigative Unit	42

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**PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT PG</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 PG</u></b>
E. David Plescow	Teacher, Redland Middle School	--	Investigator, CIU Civilian Investigative Unit	42
Alexis B. Toledo	Part Time Teacher, Miami Springs Senior Adult Center	--	Investigator, CIU Civilian Investigative Unit	42
Nilda Ramos	Administrative Assistant II, Capital Improvement Projects	35	Coordinator I Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment, Capital Improvement Projects	40
Rosie Andre	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Florida City Elementary School	--	Media Relations Specialist, Public Information	36
Jorge L. Davila	Executive Secretary II, Risk and Benefits Management	--	Staff Assistant Risk Management, Risk and Benefits Management	36

**NON-SCHOOL-SITE LATERAL ADMINISTRATIVE RE-ASSIGNMENTS**  
**PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>CURRENT PG</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 ASSIGNMENT</u></b>	<b><u>2004-2005 PG</u></b>
Alberto Benitez, Jr.	Director I Service Contracts, Facilities Operations- Maintenance	45	Director I Facilities Operations, (Interim) Maintenance Region Center I	45
Ezral A. Wallace	Coordinator III Grounds Maintenance, Facilities Operations- Maintenance	42	Coordinator III Design, (Interim) NC Maintenance Satellite	42

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the recommendations as set forth above for appointments and lateral transfers to be effective March 17, 2005, or as soon thereafter as can be facilitated, with the exception of the effective dates as noted throughout the item.

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