

Ms. Ana Rivas Logan, Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 05-49 OF THE
 SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
 RECOGNIZING DANTE B. FASCELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND
 ITS PRINCIPAL, ESTELA SANTIAGO, FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION
 IN NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY'S EDUCATION EXPRESS
 IV BUS TOUR**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Dante B. Fascell Elementary School, a Governor's Sterling Award Winner and rated an "A" school for three years in a row, was one of eight schools in Florida to recently participate in Nova Southeastern University's Education Express IV Bus Tour. The purpose of the "Setting A Higher Standard" bus tour was to promote higher standards of education, highlight best education practices, and support communities working to improve schools for all students.

The statewide bus tour of about 30 teachers and other educators visited Fascell on October 19 for a Best Practice Showcase luncheon. Immediately after the presentation, they visited classes to view students' work and speak with faculty.

The School Board recognizes the principal, Estela Santiago, and the teachers, students and school community of Fascell Elementary School to be an exemplary school of excellence.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. ANA RIVAS LOGAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 05-49 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Dante B. Fascell Elementary School and its principal, Estela Santiago, for the school's participation in Nova Southeastern University's Education Express IV Bus Tour.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 05-49
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING DANTE B. FASCELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND
ITS PRINCIPAL, ESTELA SANTIAGO, FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN NOVA
SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY'S EDUCATION EXPRESS IV BUS TOUR**

WHEREAS, Dante B. Fascell Elementary, a Governor's Sterling Award Winner, was selected by Nova Southeastern University as one of eight schools in Florida to participate in Nova Southeastern University's Education Express IV Bus Tour; and

WHEREAS, On October 19, 2005, the elementary school took part in a Best Practices Showcase Luncheon, at which the school's staff and students, under the leadership of Principal Estela Santiago, displayed the talent and excellence of their educational programs to a group of 30 highly-recognized teachers and other educators from Florida; and

WHEREAS, The school was selected for this unique program based on its high standards of education, including having received an "A" rating under the state's A+ Plan for Excellence in Education for the last three years and having been recognized by Governor Jeb Bush recently as one of the top 100 schools in Florida; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 05-49 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Dante B. Fascell Elementary School and its principal, Estela Santiago, for their participation in Nova Southeastern University's Education Express IV Bus Tour.

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

Presented this sixteenth day of November, A.D. 2005

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY