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SUBJECT: REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACKNOWLEDGE THE 1,887 STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED AS AP SCHOLARS BY THE COLLEGE BOARD AND DISTINGUISH THE 36 REPRESENTATIVE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS FOR THEIR SUCCESS WITH THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) PROGRAM

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Every year the College Board recognizes the many high school students who have academically distinguished themselves by announcing Advanced Placement (AP) Scholar Award recipients. The students receive a certificate and their achievement is acknowledged on any subsequent Advanced Placement (AP) Grade Reports sent to colleges. Award recipients not only gain recognition from colleges, but also win the admiration of their peers, families, and community.

Notification has been received that there are 1,887 Miami-Dade County Public School (M-DCPS) students from 36 senior high schools who have achieved AP Scholar status.

There are five categories of AP Scholar Awards granted for various levels of achievement. They are as follows:

- **AP Scholar**
Granted to students who receive grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams.
- **AP Scholar with Honor**
Granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams.
- **AP Scholar with Distinction**
Granted to students who receive an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.
- **AP State Scholar**
Granted to one male and one female student in each U.S. state and the District of Columbia with grades of 3 or higher on the greatest number of AP Exams and the highest average grade (at least 3.5) on all AP Exams taken.
- **National AP Scholar**
Granted to students in the United States who receive an average grade of at least 4 on all AP Exams taken and grades of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams.

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Following is the list of schools, award category, and number of recipients per school:

Senior High Schools	AWARDS					TOTAL
	AP Scholar (scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams)	AP Scholar with Honor (scores of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams)	AP Scholar with Distinction (scores of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams)	AP State Scholar (scores of 3 or higher on the greatest number of AP Exams and the highest average grade [at least 3.5] on all AP Exams)	National AP Scholar (scores of at least 4 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 4 or higher on eight or more of these exams)	
American	12	2	4	0	0	18
Barbara Goleman	44	11	20	0	4	79
Booker T. Washington	1	0	0	0	0	1
Coral Gables	62	26	26	0	3	117
Coral Reef	113	48	36	0	2	199
DASH	36	14	13	0	0	63
Dr. Michael M. Krop	79	34	61	0	15	189
Felix Varela	39	6	11	0	0	56
G. Holmes Braddock	36	9	17	0	5	67
Hialeah	20	5	4	0	0	29
Hialeah-Miami Lakes	13	6	8	0	1	28
Homestead	7	0	0	0	0	7
John A. Ferguson	13	6	1	0	0	20
MAST Academy	28	12	22	0	6	68
Miami Beach	24	7	7	0	2	40
Miami Coral Park	47	8	22	0	3	80
Miami Jackson	1	0	0	0	0	1
Miami Killian	88	18	46	0	5	157
Miami Lakes Educational Center	4	5	0	0	0	9
Miami Norland	1	0	0	0	0	1
Miami Northwestern	2	0	1	0	0	3
Miami Palmetto	141	56	90	2	24	313
Miami Senior	10	1	1	0	0	12
Miami Southridge	13	3	1	0	0	17
Miami Springs	21	0	1	0	0	22
Miami Sunset	43	5	5	0	2	55

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New World School of the Arts	13	5	3	0	0	21
North Miami	6	3	1	0	0	10
North Miami Beach	19	1	5	0	2	27
Robert Morgan	11	0	1	0	0	12
School for Advanced Studies – North	4	0	0	0	0	4
School for Advanced Studies – South	19	5	7	0	0	31
School for Advanced Studies – Wolfson	8	1	1	0	0	10
South Dade	14	3	0	0	0	17
South Miami	35	1	10	0	1	47
Southwest	36	5	13	0	3	57
AWARD TOTALS	1,063	306	438	1	78	1,887
					TOTAL STUDENTS	1,887

The following are highlights of the data:

- The total number of senior high schools receiving Scholar Awards increased by ~~56%~~ from 23 in 2004-2005 to 36 in 2005-2006.
- The total number of students receiving Scholar Awards increased by 232% from 569 in 2004-2005 to 1,887 in 2005-2006.
- **AP Scholars** increased by 322% from 252 students in 2004-2005 to 1,063 students in 2005-2006.
- **AP Scholars with Honor** increased by 233% from 92 students in 2004-2005 to 306 students in 2005-2006.
- **AP Scholars with Distinction** increased by 287% from 113 students in 2004-2005 to 438 students in 2005-2006.

In an unprecedented occurrence, during the 2006 May AP Exam administration, two students, one male and one female from Miami Palmetto Senior High School, received a grade of 3 or higher on the greatest number of AP Exams and the highest average grade (at least 3.5) on all AP Exams taken in the State of Florida. This academic accomplishment has earned these two M-DCPS students the designation of being the only two *AP State Scholars* for the entire State of Florida.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, acknowledge the 1,887 students who have been recognized as *AP Scholars* by the College Board and distinguish the 36 representative senior high schools for their success with the Advanced Placement (AP) Program.

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