

Ms. Ana Rivas Logan

SUBJECT: CREATE AN ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND NUTRITION

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: EVALUATE AND REDESIGN INTERNAL BUSINESS OPERATIONS

As per the State Auditor General's Report No. 2008-158, Findings 1-3, indicate that Miami-Dade County Public Schools is not in compliance.

- Finding No. 1 indicated a broad range in the purchased food cost per meal among schools within each educational level which may be indicative of unauthorized or inefficient usage of food supplies.

2006-07 School Year	Purchased Food Cost per Meal	
	Range	Average
Elementary	\$0.48 - \$1.51	\$0.71
Middle	\$0.51 - \$1.27	\$0.73
Senior	\$0.72 - \$1.45	\$1.07

- Finding No. 2 stated a wide range of purchased food inventory turnover rates was noted within each educational level suggesting that the efficiency of the inventory controls at the food preparation locations is not consistent throughout the District. Enhancements were also needed in the District's inventory reconciliation process.
- Finding No. 3 reported that our review of production and menu record forms disclosed instances in which the Department's procedures were not followed.

An accountability system with performance evaluations including measurable goals and objectives is needed in order to monitor and promote a successful food and nutrition program for the students of Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

ANA RIVAS LOGAN: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida direct the Superintendent to negotiate the inclusion of an accountability system including performance appraisals and evaluations with measurable goals and objectives for cafeteria personnel including Food Service Managers.