

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 10-074 OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING PALMETTO HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY
OUTREACH PROGRAM**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Miami-Dade County Public Schools has a rich history of fostering community service in its students and encouraging parental involvement. Miami Palmetto Senior High School's Community Outreach Program was recently recognized by the Florida Department of Education and the Florida PTA as a regional winner of the Florida Parent Involvement Award.

The Miami Palmetto Senior High School Community Outreach Program serves the community through the Perrine Community Outreach Program, which was created to facilitate learning and communication between the two diverse neighborhoods. The Perrine Community Outreach Program fosters meaningful, productive relationships and facilitates access to resources for students and families who are geographically distant and marginally involved in school.

The outreach program addresses transportation and communication challenges that impeded students and families from participating in school activities and programs. It partnered with parent volunteers, local businesses and governmental agencies, as well as, civic groups and faith-based organizations to implement the outreach principles. Tutoring, parent meetings, computer access and guidance counselors were provided to families. In addition, the program lobbied for the creation of safe and accessible transportation routes including the installation of a pedestrian light on U.S. 1 where students frequently cross.

The Miami Palmetto Senior High School Community Outreach Program will be recognized on July 17 at the Florida PTA Leadership Conference in Tarpon Springs.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 10-074 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Miami Palmetto Senior High School's Community Outreach Program.

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-074
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING MIAMI PALMETTO SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL'S COMMUNITY
OUTREACH PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Miami Palmetto Senior High School's Community Outreach Program was recently recognized by the Florida Department of Education and the Florida PTA as a regional winner of the Florida Parent Involvement Award; and

WHEREAS, the Miami Palmetto Senior High School Community Outreach Program serves the community through the Perrine Community Outreach Program, which was created to facilitate learning and communication between the two diverse neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the program fosters meaningful, productive relationships and facilitates access to resources for students and families who are geographically distant and marginally involved in school; and

WHEREAS, the outreach program addresses transportation and communication challenges that impeded students and families from participating in school activities and programs. It partnered with parent volunteers, local businesses and governmental agencies, as well as, civic groups and faith-based organizations to implement the outreach principles; and

WHEREAS, tutoring, parent meetings, computer access and guidance counselors were provided to families. In addition, the program lobbied for the creation of safe and accessible transportation routes including the installation of a pedestrian light on U.S. 1 where students frequently cross; and

WHEREAS, the Miami Palmetto Senior High School Community Outreach Program is to be commended for its outstanding community service on behalf of the students and families of Miami Palmetto Senior High School as well as its feeder pattern schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 10-074 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Miami Palmetto Senior High School's Community Outreach Program.

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

Presented this fourteenth day of July, A.D. 2010

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary