

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 11-080 OF THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING PROJECT PASS**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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

The United States Army and the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) have teamed up to launch a new leadership development and academic achievement program, Project Partnership for All Students' Success (PASS) for middle and high school students.

This new incentive offers elective Junior Leadership Corps courses, after-school activities and a Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) program to develop character and leadership with the goal of keeping students in school, improving their chances for a successful life and assisting in their development in becoming responsible and productive adults. Project PASS uses military-influenced leadership curriculum to help students develop strength of character, self-confidence and academic discipline to supplement their academic training.

A recent NASBE report found that when educators apply military-style education programs for students, develop and sustain community partnerships for the benefit of students, and implement leadership-training programs such as JROTC, it has an impact student achievement.

Project PASS is being taught through the Junior Leadership Corps at the middle school level, and through JROTC at the high school level. Middle school students will develop into stronger, more successful leaders and community participants in four semester-long courses of a two-year program. The high school component teaches students to develop life-long leadership and decision-making skills and they can be enrolled from 9th to 12th grade. The curriculum supports the school's mission and mandates by integrating technology, linking content to state standards, integrating reading and writing, and providing financial education.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools joins five other school districts in the nation that are participating in Project PASS, and has been operating the program at Miami Edison Middle School.

The District commends Miami Edison Middle School Principal Dr. Isolyn Hillhouse, Program Instructor Sergeant James Maree Jr., and outstanding cadets Tatiana Hutchinson and Dwayne Mannings Jr. for their exceptional achievement.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS MINDINGALL:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-080 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Project PASS.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 11-080
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING PROJECT PASS**

WHEREAS, the United States Army and the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) have teamed up to launch a new leadership development and academic achievement program, Project Partnership for All Students' Success (PASS) for middle and high school students; and

WHEREAS, this new incentive offers elective Junior Leadership Corps courses, after-school activities and a Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) program to develop character and leadership with the goal of keeping students in school, improving their chances for a successful life and assisting in their development in becoming responsible and productive adults; and

WHEREAS, Project PASS uses military-influenced leadership curriculum to help students develop strength of character, self-confidence and academic discipline to supplement their academic training; and

WHEREAS, Project PASS will be taught through the Junior Leadership Corps at the middle school level, and through JROTC at the high school level. Middle school students will develop into stronger, more successful leaders and community participants in four semester-long courses of a two-year program; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools joins five other school districts in the nation that are participating in Project PASS, and has been operating the program at Miami Edison Middle School; and

WHEREAS, the District commends Miami Edison Middle School Principal, Dr. Isolyn Hillhouse, Program Instructor Sergeant James Maree Jr., and outstanding cadets Tatiana Hutchinson and Dwayne Mannings Jr. for their exceptional achievement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-080 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Project PASS.

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

Presented this fifteenth day of June, A.D. 2011

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary