

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 13-008 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE FLORIDA DIAGNOSTIC AND LEARNING RESOURCES SYSTEM, DOLPHIN MALL, COOL DE SAC, CHERRY HILL, AND WAVING HANDS AS SPONSORS OF SIGNING SANTA DAY

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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

Signing Santa Day was held last month at Dolphin Mall to provide a fun, interactive event for children who are deaf or hearing impaired. The event invited families to visit the multi-sensory Ice Palace, watch performers and visit the Signing Santa. The Ice Palace featured a 30-foot ice dome with falling snow, light show and prehistoric animals from the movie *Ice Age 4: Continental Drift*.

Each elementary student in attendance received a goody bag and Ice Age 4. Ice Age 4 is significant because it is the first movie to be released with American Sign Language as one of its language options. Students ate breakfast at Cool De Sac and were also able to participate in a play area that included face painting and a snow cone machine. Signing Santa Day was a success due to the participation of event sponsors, which include the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System, Dolphin Mall, Cool De Sac, Cherry Hill, and Waving Hands.

Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System, Dolphin Mall, Cool De Sac, Cherry Hill, and Waving Hands are to be commended for being involved education advocates. Each community partner exemplifies the guiding principles of compassion, equality and public service.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-008 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System, Dolphin Mall, Cool De Sac, Cherry Hill, and Waving Hands as sponsors of Signing Santa Day.

**Replacement
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OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING
THE FLORIDA DIAGNOSTIC AND LEARNING RESOURCES SYSTEM, DOLPHIN
MALL, COOL DE SAC AND CHERRY HILL, AND WAVING HANDS
AS SPONSORS OF SIGNING SANTA DAY**

WHEREAS, Signing Santa Day was held last month at Dolphin Mall to provide a fun, interactive event for children who are deaf or hearing impaired; and

WHEREAS, the event invited families to visit the multi-sensory Ice Palace, watch performers and visit the Signing Santa; and

WHEREAS, the Ice Palace featured a 30-foot ice dome with falling snow, light show and prehistoric animals from the movie *Ice Age 4: Continental Drift*; and

WHEREAS, each elementary student in attendance received a goody bag and Ice Age 4. Ice Age 4 is significant because it is the first movie to be released with American Sign Language as one of its language options; and

WHEREAS, Signing Santa Day was a success due to the participation of event sponsors, which include the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System, Dolphin Mall, Cool De Sac, Cherry Hill, and Waving Hands; and

WHEREAS, Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System, Dolphin Mall, Cool De Sac, Cherry Hill, and Waving Hands are to be commended for being involved education advocates. Each community partner exemplifies the guiding principles of compassion, equality and public service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 13-008 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System, Dolphin Mall, Cool De Sac, Cherry Hill, and Waving Hands as sponsors of Signing Santa Day.

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

Presented this sixteenth day of January A.D. 2013

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary