Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of July 14, 1999

June 30, 1999

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REPORT - STUDENT VOTER REGISTRATION

**STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL: II - STUDENT   ACHIEVEMENT/PREPARATION
FOR POST SECONDARY EXPERIENCES**

Each year, beginning with the 1972-73 school year, the Division of Social Sciences/Special Programs has coordinated student voter registration in the district's senior high schools. This activity is the direct result of the School Board's commitment to citizenship education.

Eligible students are registered to vote by Miami-Dade County Public Schools social studies teachers through their American Government and Economics classes. Materials, supplies, and general support are provided by the Miami-Dade County Elections Department. Outside groups such as the League of Women Voters of Miami-Dade County and Kids Voting, USA, continue to assist the school district in the area of voter education. In addition, all 27 adult centers provide information related to voter registration, as requested by students.

In order to register to vote in 1998-1999, students must have been at least 17 years of age as of May 14, 1999, citizens of the United States, residents of Miami-Dade County, and have no felony record. Other factors which may limit the number of students registering include: prior registration, religious conviction, and transfer/withdrawal from school. Each school's voter registration report is validated by the principal's signature.

The total number of students who registered to vote during the 1998-1999 school year was 9,638. Since the 1972-73 school year, 175,398 students have been registered to vote. This year, and each year since the 1995-96 school year, every senior high school in the district has achieved the goal of 100% voter registration of eligible students.

Attached is a compilation of the number of senior high school students who have registered to vote since the 1972-73 school year. In addition to the results for the 1998-99 school year, information is given regarding the student voter registration percentage for the previous year.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, receive the 1998-99 Student Voter Registration Report.

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STUDENT VOTER REGISTRATION PROGRAM
1998-1999

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE STUDENTS REGISTERED 1998-1999	PERCENT REGISTERED 1998-1999	PERCENT REGISTERED 1997-1998	TOTAL REGISTERED 1972-1999
American	377	100%	100%	4,171
G. Holmes Braddock	618	100%	100%	4,070
Coral Gables	328	100%	100%	7,705
Coral Reef	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	11
Design & Architecture	73	100%	100%	306
Barbara Goleman	292	100%	N/A*	623
Hialeah	321	100%	100%	5,516
Hialeah-Miami Lakes	235	100%	100%	9,954
Homestead	176	100%	100%	5,606
Michael Krop	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*
MAST Academy	91	100%	100%	541
Miami Beach	250	100%	100%	5,274
Miami Carol City	379	100%	100%	5,647
Miami Central	346	100%	100%	6,405
Miami Coral Park	302	100%	100%	6,902
Miami Edison	174	100%	100%	3,588
Miami Jackson	159	100%	100%	4,265
Miami Killian	570	100%	100%	11,820
Miami Norland	248	100%	100%	6,475
Miami Northwestern	418	100%	100%	7,508
Miami Palmetto	393	100%	100%	11,174
Miami Senior	155	100%	100%	4,600
Miami Southridge	586	100%	100%	8,869

*   In the indicated year(s), the school did not house 12th graders. However, indicated numbers represent students who were eligible and registered to vote.

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE STUDENTS REGISTERED 1998-1999	PERCENT REGISTERED 1998-1999	PERCENT REGISTERED 1997-1998	TOTAL REGISTERED 1972-1999
Miami Springs	254	100%	100%	5,170
Miami Sunset	543	100%	100%	9,272
New World School of the Arts	129	100%	100%	1,069
North Miami	236	·100%	100%	8,059
North Miami Beach	456	100%	100%	8,401
South Dade	220	100%	100%	6,047
South Miami	303	100%	100%	6,278
Southwest Miami	370	100%	100%	7,235
William H. Turner Technical Arts	198	100%	100%	929
Other**	438	N/A	N/A	1,908
TOTALS	9,638	100%	100%	175,398

**   Indicates students registered from other education programs; i.e., alternative education, specialized education centers, or vocational/adult education centers.