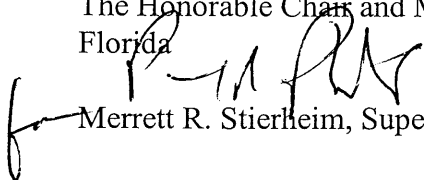


MEMORANDUM

March 12, 2003

TO: The Honorable Chair and Members of The School Board of Miami-Dade County,
Florida

FROM:  Merrett R. Stierheim, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: WITHDRAWAL OF BOARD AGENDA ITEM B-78 - FIELD TRIP

Due to the impending threat of a declaration of war against Iraq and the associated dangers for American citizens in Europe and the Middle East, I am withdrawing Board Agenda Item B-78 from the School Board Agenda of March 12, 2003.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dr. George M. Koonce, Jr., Associate Superintendent, School Operations, at 305-995-1433, or Dr. Fred C. Rodgers, Administrative Director, School Operations, at 305-995-7626.

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Attachment

cc: Superintendent's Executive Staff
Mr. Johnny Brown
Dr. Fred C. Rodgers

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of March 12, 2003

February 24, 2003

School Operations
Dr. George M. Koonce, Jr., Associate Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR STUDENTS TO TRAVEL OUT-OF-COUNTRY

COMMITTEE: ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

A request has been received for students to travel out-of-country. All arrangements are in accordance with Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.22, Field Trips. Funding for substitutes needed as a result of classroom teacher participation in this trip will be provided from the individual school's budget.

SCHOOL	TO	DATE	APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF STUDENTS
George W. Carver Middle School	Spain and France	03/27/03 through 04/08/03	30

EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE: Students in the International Studies Program at George W. Carver Middle School will tour Spain and France to study their cultures.

Twelve days are required for this trip, two of which are school days. Travel will be provided by Air France Airlines.

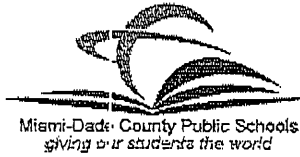
RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the out-of-country field trip to Spain and France for students at George W. Carver Middle School, from March 27, 2003 through April 8, 2003.

GMK:js

WITHDRAWN

MARCH 12, 2003

B-78

**MEMORANDUM**

March 11, 2003
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TO: Dr. Fred C. Rodgers, Administrative Director
School Operations

FROM: Libia A. Gonzalez, Principal
G.W. Carver Middle School

SUBJECT: TRIP TO EUROPE

Due to an impending war against Iraq, I am very concerned for the safety of the G.W. Carver Middle School students and chaperones traveling to Europe. Therefore, I am requesting at this time that the field trip to France and Spain scheduled for March 26th through April 8th be cancelled.

If any students and parents still would like to go, they may go independently with no connection or liability to the school or Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

Thank you for your support to this request.

LAG/vg