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**SUBJECT: REPORT – STUDENT VOTER REGISTRATION FOR 2007-2008**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT**

**STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE AND EXPAND CURRENT CURRICULUM**

Curriculum and Instruction, Social Sciences, has coordinated student voter registration in the District's senior high schools since first initiated during the 1972-1973 school year. This activity directly supports a commitment to citizenship education by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida. Eligible students are registered to vote by Miami-Dade County Public Schools' social studies teachers, primarily through their American Government or Economics classes. Voter registration materials and general support are provided by the Miami-Dade County Elections Department.

The total number of students who registered to vote during the 2007-2008 school year was 12,865. Since the program's inception in the 1972-1973 school year, 274,793 students have been registered to vote by social studies teachers.

In order to register to vote during the 2007-2008 school year, a student must have been:

- at least 17 years of age as of May 15, 2008;
- a citizen of the United States;
- a resident of Miami-Dade County; and
- able to provide the last four digits of his/her Social Security number or his/her Florida Drivers License number.

In addition to the requirements listed above, there are additional factors that may have prevented a student from registering to vote this school year. Those factors include prior registration, religious belief, felony conviction, and/or mental incapacity.

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This year, and in other major election years, two voter registration drives – fall and spring - were held at school sites. This was done to ensure that any students who became age eligible to vote after the 2006-2007 voter registration drive were given the opportunity to register in time to vote in the most recent Florida primary election. ] revised  
Additionally, the Office of Public Information was provided with information to share with local media about the District's efforts to register students to vote in the spring of 2008.

Attached is a compilation of the number of students who have registered to vote since the 1972-1973 school year. Each school's voter registration report is validated by the principal's signature.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, receive the 2007-2008 Student Voter Registration Report.

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## STUDENT VOTER REGISTRATION PROGRAM REPORT - 2007-2008

Senior High Schools	Percent of Eligible Students Registered 2006-2007	Percent of Eligible Students Registered 2007-2008	Number of Eligible Students Registered 2007-2008	Total Number of Students Registered Since 1972
American	100%	100%	455	7,357
G. Holmes Braddock	100%	100%	541	7,445
Coral Gables	100%	100%	190	9,584
Coral Reef	100%	100%	495	3,647
Design and Architecture	100%	100%	78	938
John A. Ferguson	100%	100%	500	812
Barbara Goleman	100%	100%	493	4,137
Hialeah	100%	100%	326	8,052
Hialeah-Miami Lakes	100%	100%	350	13,639
Homestead	100%	100%	238	8,088
Dr. Michael M. Krop	100%	100%	460	3,666
MAST Academy	100%	100%	32	1,353
Miami Beach	100%	100%	134	6,781
Miami Carol City	100%	100%	375	8,755
Miami Central	100%	100%	246	9,029
Miami Coral Park	100%	100%	528	11,234
Miami Edison	100%	100%	67	4,733
Miami Jackson	100%	100%	154	6,044
Miami Killian	100%	100%	599	16,330
Miami Lakes Education Center	100%	100%	211	851
Miami Norland	100%	100%	260	8,816
Miami Northwestern	100%	100%	294	9,768
Miami Palmetto	100%	100%	683	16,459
Miami Senior	100%	100%	317	6,813
Miami Southridge	100%	100%	342	12,772
Miami Springs	100%	100%	237	7,887
Miami Sunset	100%	100%	481	13,766
Robert Morgan Education Center	100%	100%	312	1,008
New World School of the Arts	100%	100%	67	1,921
North Miami	100%	100%	242	10,234
North Miami Beach	100%	100%	386	11,180
Ronald Reagan/Doral	*	*	23	23
South Dade	100%	100%	345	8,213
South Miami	100%	100%	306	9,032
Southwest Miami	100%	100%	498	11,410
William Turner Technical Arts	100%	100%	220	3,305
Felix Varela	100%	100%	478	3,040
Booker T. Washington	100%	100%	134	864
Other**			768	5,807
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>12,865</b>	<b>274,793</b>

\* Grade 12 students were not enrolled in the school.

\*\* Students registered from other educational programs; i.e., alternative education, specialized education centers, charter schools, and/or vocational/adult education centers.