

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of November 17, 2009

November 17, 2009

Office of Professional Standards
Maria Teresa Rojas, Assistant Superintendent

SUBJECT: RESIGNATION OF EMPLOYEE
COLMANTHIA R. WOODS - SCHOOL BUS DRIVER
NORTHEAST TRANSPORTATION CENTER

Revised

LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE EFFECTIVENESS OF INSTRUCTION AND EFFICIENCY OF OPERATIONS

On November 3, 2009, the following letter was sent to Ms. Colmanthia R. Woods:

This is to notify you that the Superintendent of Schools will be recommending to The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, at its scheduled meeting of November 17, 2009, that the School Board suspend you without pay and initiate dismissal proceedings against you from your current position as School Bus Driver at Northeast Transportation Center, effective at the close of the workday, November 17, 2009, for just cause, including, but not limited to: violation of School Board Rules 6Gx13- 4-1.08, Violence in the Workplace; 6Gx13- 4A-1.21, Responsibilities and Duties; and 6Gx13- 4A-1.213, Code of Ethics. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.40, and 447.209, Florida Statutes; and Articles II and XI of the **Contract between the Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)**.

If you wish to contest your suspension and dismissal, you must request in writing within 20 calendar days of notice of the Board action, a hearing or grievance/arbitration proceeding. The grievance/arbitration proceeding is regulated by Articles VII and XI of the AFSCME Contract. Your selection of one appeal method waives the right to select the other appeal method in the future. If you select arbitration, you must also notify AFSCME of your selection and obtain AFSCME's written concurrence.

If the School Board accepts (or approves) the Superintendent's recommendation, you will be notified of the School Board's action.

Subsequently, on November 16, 2009, Ms. Colmanthia R. Woods submitted her resignation from employment with M-DCPS, effective November 16, 2009. Accordingly, it is recommended that the resignation be accepted, in lieu of termination from employment, as achieving the objective sought by the School Board in this case.

Revised

RECOMMENDED: That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida accept the resignation of Ms. Colmanthia R. Woods, effective as of the close of the workday on November 17, 2009.

Revised

MTR

REVISED
D-60