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SUBJECT: INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT- NETWORK AND INFORMATION SECURITY, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES INFRASTRUCTURE AND SYSTEMS SUPPORT AREA V – SELECTED SCHOOLS

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: FINANCIAL EFFICIENCY/STABILITY

This report is the third in a series of reports of this nature and covers 20 of the 74 schools that are under the auspices of Information Technology Services (ITS) Infrastructure and Systems Support (ISS) Area V. An assessment of the remaining 50 schools within ITS ISS Area V will be reported at a future date. Our audit concludes that while general measures for compliance with some standards of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Network Security Standards are in place at the schools serviced in this support area, there is a need for greater compliance with these standards and other best practices and for district-wide standardization. Such efforts could improve network availability and the security of student, personnel, and business data. The administration has provided positive, prompt and efficient responses to address our recommendations.

The School Board Audit Committee reviewed this report at its June 28, 2011 meeting and recommended transmitting it to the School Board.

Copies of this report were previously distributed and placed on file in the Office of the Recording Secretary to the School Board and in the Citizen Information Center. Additional copies will be provided upon request.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, receive and file the Internal Audit Report – Network and Information Security, Information Technology Services Infrastructure and Systems Support Area V – Selected Schools.