

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-011
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, ENDORSING FEBRUARY AS "CAREER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION MONTH"**

COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK: EDUCATION**

Career and Technical Education (CTE) prepares both youth and adults for a wide range of careers, from registered nurse to computer technician. These careers provide students with critical skills and strategies for academic achievement, career exploration, career preparation, leadership development, and successful transition to postsecondary education and work.

Miami-Dade County currently offers CTE programs in all 17 Career Clusters (middle school, high school and technical centers):

1. Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources
2. Architecture and Construction
3. Arts, A/V Technology and Communication
4. Business Management and Administration
5. Education and Training
6. Energy
7. Finance
8. Government and Public Administration
9. Health Science
10. Hospitality and Tourism
11. Human Services
12. Information Technology
13. Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security
14. Manufacturing
15. Marketing
16. Science, Technology, Engineering and Math
17. Transportation, Distribution and Logistics

Currently, there are 92,396 secondary students and 2,951 (semester total) postsecondary students enrolled in Miami-Dade County Public School's CTE classes.

Good Cause
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During the 2009-10 school year, the Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) competed at the state and national level competitions and received 554 state and national awards.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 18 of the 20 fastest growing occupations within the next decade will require CTE.

The School Board urges all citizens to become familiar with the services and benefits offered by the career and technical education programs in this community as well as support and participate in these programs to enhance their individual work skills and productivity.

This item does not appear on the published Agenda. There exists good cause to vary from the published Agenda in order to properly and timely endorse Career and Technical Education month which begins on February 1, 2011.

ACTION PROPOSED BY:

DR. WILBERT "TEE" HOLLOWAY:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 11-011 endorsing February 2011 as Career and Technical Education month to be celebrated in all of Miami-Dade County public schools.

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-011
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA ENDORSING FEBRUARY 2011 AS CAREER AND TECHNICAL
EDUCATION MONTH TO BE CELEBRATED IN ALL OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, February 1-28, 2011, has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education provides students with a school-to-careers connection and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to America's leadership in a global society; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education gives high school students experience in practical, meaningful applications of skills such as reading, writing and mathematics to improve the quality of education, motivating potential dropouts and giving all students leadership opportunities in their fields and in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the ever-increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, business and industry stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economy and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates to focus on specific career fields and prepare students to successfully transition toward their career goal; and

WHEREAS, career and technical education has been effective in inspiring students in Miami-Dade County Public Schools to pursue careers in high demand, high skill and high wage occupations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution 11-011 endorsing February 2011 as Career and Technical Education Month to be celebrated in all of Miami-Dade County's public schools.

A copy of this resolution is placed in the permanent records of this Board.

Presented this twelfth day of January, A.D. 2011

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY