

Freddie Woodson, Deputy Superintendent
District/School Operations

**SUBJECT: RECOMMENDED SUSPENSION WITHOUT PAY AND INITIATE
DISMISSAL PROCEEDINGS OF EMPLOYEE PENDING APPEAL
ERIC A. DINGLE – GROUNDSKEEPER
FACILITIES OPERATIONS MAINTENANCE CENTER 3**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK: SCHOOL/DISTRICT LEADERSHIP**

On January 31, 2011, the following letter was sent to Mr. Eric A. Dingle:

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 February 9, 2011, that the School Board suspend you without pay and initiate dismissal proceedings against you from your current position as Groundskeeper, Facilities Operations Maintenance Center 3, effective at the close of the workday, February 9, 2011, for just cause, including, but not limited to: excessive absenteeism, abandonment of position, gross insubordination; and violation of School Board Rules 6Gx13- 4A-1.21, Responsibilities and Duties; 6Gx13- 4A-1.213, Code of Ethics; and 6Gx13- 4E-1.01, Absences and Leaves. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 1001.32(2), 1012.22(1)(f), 1012.67, 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.**

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.

RECOMMENDED: That effective February 9, 2011, at the close of the workday, The School Board suspend without pay and initiate dismissal proceedings against Mr. Eric A. Dingle, Groundskeeper at Facilities Operations Maintenance Center 3, pending the outcome of a hearing, if requested.

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