

Dr. Marta Pérez, Board Member

**SUBJECT:                   REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-005 OF  
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,  
FLORIDA, HONORING ESTEFANIA CHAVEZ OF G.  
HOLMES BRADDOCK SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL FOR  
EARNING A QUESTBRIDGE SCHOLARSHIP**

**COMMITTEE:               INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC  
FRAMEWORK:               STUDENT, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Every year our high schools take pride in the number of their graduating seniors who are accepted to top colleges and universities and whose accomplishments reflect the efforts of so many dedicated teachers and administrators, as well as the students' families themselves, who encourage and support these high achievers.

This year, G. Holmes Braddock Senior High School is proud to include Ms. Estefania Chavez in its ranks for having earned a Questbridge Scholarship to Columbia University where she plans to study biochemistry and physics. Estefania is one of only 15 students in the country who were matched by Questbridge to attend Columbia University.

Estefania Chavez is originally from Peru and is the first in her family to attend college. She ranks in the top 1% of her class and will graduate Summa Cum Laude with an impressive 6.0175 GPA. During her four years at Braddock, Estefania earned numerous awards, among them the prestigious Cambridge Scholar Award and the National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar Award for high academic achievement. In addition to her academic pursuits, she also found time to serve her community through volunteering at Miami Children's Hospital and serving as the Teen Spokesperson of Kristi House.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY  
DR. MARTA PÉREZ:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-005 honoring Estefania Chavez for earning a Questbridge Scholarship to attend Columbia University.

**RESOLUTION NO. 12-005  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
HONORING ESTEFANIA CHAVEZ OF G. HOLMES BRADDOCK SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL  
FOR EARNING A QUESTBRIDGE SCHOLARSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, G. Holmes Braddock Senior High School student Estefania Chavez was recently awarded a Questbridge Scholarship to attend Columbia University where she plans to study biochemistry and physics; and

**WHEREAS**, Estefania is one of only 15 students in the country who was matched by Questbridge to attend Columbia University; and

**WHEREAS**, originally from Peru, Estefania is the first in her family to attend college. She ranks in the top one percent of her class and will graduate Summa Cum Laude with an impressive 6.0175 GPA; and

**WHEREAS**, as a student at G. Holmes Braddock Senior, Estefania earned numerous awards, among them the prestigious Cambridge Scholar Award and the National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar Award for high academic achievement; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to her academic pursuits, Estefania also finds time to serve her community through her volunteer work at Miami Children's Hospital and as the teen spokesperson of Kristi House;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-005 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, honoring Estefania Chavez of G. Holmes Braddock Senior High School for earning a Questbridge Scholarship.

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

**Presented this eighteenth day of January, A.D. 2012**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIR

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary