

Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman, Vice Chair

**SUBJECT:                   REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 12-054  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,  
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE PRINCIPAL AND ASSISTANT  
PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR**

**COMMITTEE:           INSTRUCTIONAL   EXCELLENCE    AND   COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT**

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

Every year, Miami-Dade County Public Schools recognizes the outstanding contributions of its brightest educators, support staff and administrators. This year's awards ceremony recognized employees in two categories, Principal of the Year and Assistant Principal of the Year.

Dr. Pablo G. Ortiz, provost of Miami Edison Senior High School, won top honors as the District's Principal of the Year. Dr. Ortiz has led the most dramatic two-year turnaround of any school in Florida, successfully maintaining the school's "C" rating for two consecutive years. He has served for 15 years as an assistant principal and principal in schools throughout Miami-Dade. This is his second win for Principal of the Year, earning him the distinction of being the District's first double winner. He is an M-DCPS alumnus, having graduated from Southwest Miami Senior High School.

Denise P. Barrett-Johnson of Lake Stevens Middle School was recognized as the 2012 Assistant Principal of the Year. Ms. Barrett-Johnson is also a distinguished M-DCPS alumna, having graduated from Miami Norland Senior High School.

These two outstanding educators are to be commended for their commitment and dedication to excellence on behalf of the students and families of Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY  
DR. LAWRENCE S. FELDMAN:**           That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-054 of the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Principal and Assistant Principal of the year.

**Replacement  
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**RESOLUTION NO. 12-054  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZING THE PRINCIPAL AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR**

**WHEREAS**, every year, Miami-Dade County Public Schools recognizes the outstanding contributions of its brightest educators, support staff and administrators; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's awards ceremony recognized employees in two categories, Principal of the Year and Assistant Principal of the Year; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Pablo G. Ortiz, provost of Miami Edison Senior High School, won top honors as the District's Principal of the Year. Dr. Ortiz has led the most dramatic two-year turnaround of any school in Florida, successfully maintaining the school's "C" rating for two consecutive years; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Ortiz has served for 15 years as an assistant principal and principal in schools throughout Miami-Dade. This is his second win for Principal of the Year, earning him the distinction of being the District's first double winner. He is an M-DCPS alumnus, having graduated from Southwest Miami Senior High School; and

**WHEREAS**, Denise P. Barrett-Johnson of Lake Stevens Middle School was recognized as the 2012 Assistant Principal of the Year. Ms. Barrett-Johnson is also a distinguished M-DCPS alumna, having graduated from Miami Norland Senior High School; and

**WHEREAS**, these two outstanding educators are to be commended for their commitment and dedication to excellence on behalf of the students and families of Miami-Dade County Public Schools;

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 12-054 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the Principal and Assistant Principal of the year.

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

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

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary