

Ms. Raquel Regalado, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 16-028
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY,
FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING CODE ART MIAMI**

COMMITTEE: ACADEMIC, EVALUATION AND TECHNOLOGY

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
BLUEPRINT: REVELANT, RIGOROUS AND INNOVATIVE ACADEMICS**

Code Art Miami is collaboration between Girls Who Code (GWC) clubs and CODELLA, a non-profit organization teaching coding and tech skills to young Hispanic women from under-served communities. Code Art Miami seeks to inspire more girls to become involved in STEM education programs and fosters community among participating student groups.

Code Art Miami highlights the creative side of coding and provides a vehicle to inspire young women to learn to code and to also showcase their creations. It fosters community among the participating student groups and paves the way for future collaborations. Participating girls also have the opportunity to submit their art works for a competition.

The event proceeds will go toward funding a \$7,000 scholarship for a young woman enrolled in one of Miami Dade College's new state-of-the-art Miami Animation & Gaming International Complex (MAGIC) two-year animation and gaming programs.

Code Art Miami is meant to show other GWC clubs that computer science can be combined with any other field, talent, or interest – especially art. Since many girls show an interest in art or are scared away by the mathematical side of computer science, CAM will show underrepresented minorities in STEM that anybody can pursue a career in or express themselves with technology.

The School Board commends Code Art Miami for its exemplary programs that promote and cultivate STEM and coding education programs for all girls in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MS. RAQUEL REGALADO: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 16-028 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Code Art Miami.

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-028
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING CODE ART MIAMI**

WHEREAS, Code Art Miami is collaboration between Girls Who Code (GWC) clubs and CODELLA, a non-profit organization teaching coding and tech skills to young Hispanic women from under-served communities; and

WHEREAS, Code Art Miami seeks to inspire more girls to become involved in STEM education programs and fosters community among participating student groups; and

WHEREAS, Code Art Miami highlights the creative side of coding and provides a vehicle to inspire young women to learn to code and to also showcase their creations. It fosters community among the participating student groups and paves the way for future collaborations. Participating girls also have the opportunity to submit their art works for a competition; and

WHEREAS, the event proceeds will go toward funding a \$7,000 scholarship for a young woman enrolled in one of Miami Dade College's new state-of-the-art Miami Animation & Gaming International Complex (MAGIC) two-year animation and gaming programs; and

WHEREAS, Code Art Miami is meant to show other GWC clubs that computer science can be combined with any other field, talent, or interest – especially art. Since many girls show an interest in art or are scared away by the mathematical side of computer science, CAM will show underrepresented minorities in STEM that anybody can pursue a career in or express themselves with technology; and

WHEREAS, the School Board commends Code Art Miami for its exemplary programs that promote and cultivate STEM and coding education programs for all girls in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 16-028 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Code Art Miami.

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

Presented this ninth day of March, A.D. 2016

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary