

Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 16-095 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING NORTH MIAMI SR. HIGH NAF ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCE FOR THEIR COLLABORATION WITH THE BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS SCHOOLS TO WORK PROGRAM WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

COMMITTEE: INNOVATION, GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: SAFE, HEALTHY AND SUPPORTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

North Miami Senior High School's NAF Academy of Health Science has worked in collaboration with the Big Brothers Big Sisters School to Work Program for three years. This program is a workplace program based on one-on-one mentoring.

The NAF Academy of Health Science currently has a partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters at two medical mentorship sites, Jackson Hospital Main and Jackson Hospital North. Each site has 15-20 medical academy students receiving mentorship from a health care professional. Students have the opportunity to experience real world work experiences in a health care facility.

The students bond with the assigned mentor and shadow them for the day once a month, and are able to speak with their mentor throughout the year. The students shadow nurses, physicians, laboratory technicians, occupational therapists, physical therapists, the CEO, and a host of other health care professionals during their trips to Jackson North.

Through this collaboration with Big Brothers Big Sisters, the NAF Academy of Health Science has been able to offer medical students summer internships for five weeks with a stipend of \$1,320. The students receive not only a monetary reward but dual enrollment credit if they qualify and most importantly real world work skills in the health care industry and a lifelong mentor.

Jackson Hospital North opened the door to North Miami Senior High School students and offers them opportunities both in a personal and professional setting.

This collaboration has proved to be life changing for students because they build a strong relationship with their mentor. The students are selected by their teachers based on their personal and educational needs. In the end, this partnership has been successful for every student who has been a part of it. No student has ever asked to be dropped from the program, proving that this partnership is a great tool for keeping our students engaged, successful, and focused on graduation and a career.

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. WILBERT "TEE" HOLLOWAY: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No, 16-095 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing North Miami Sr. High NAF Academy of Health Science for their collaboration with the Big Brothers Big Sisters Schools to Work Program with Miami Dade County Public Schools.

**RESOLUTION NO. 16-095
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING NORTH MIAMI SR. HIGH NAF ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCE
FOR THEIR COLLABORATION WITH THE BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS SCHOOLS TO WORK
PROGRAM WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, North Miami Senior High School's NAF Academy of Health Science has worked in collaboration with the Big Brothers Big Sisters School to Work Program for three years. This program is a workplace program based on one-on-one mentoring; and

WHEREAS, The NAF Academy of Health Science currently has a partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters at two medical mentorship sites, Jackson Hospital Main and Jackson Hospital North. Each site has 15-20 medical academy students receiving mentorship from a health care professional. Students have the opportunity to experience real world work experiences in a health care facility; and

WHEREAS, the students bond with the assigned mentor and shadow them for the day once a month, and are able to speak with their mentor throughout the year. The students shadow nurses, physicians, laboratory technicians, occupational therapists, physical therapists, the CEO, and a host of other health care professionals during their trips to Jackson North; and

WHEREAS, through this collaboration with Big Brothers Big Sisters, the NAF Academy of Health Science has been able to offer medical students summer internships for five weeks with a stipend of \$1,320. The students receive not only a monetary reward but dual enrollment credit if they qualify and most importantly real world work skills in the health care industry and a lifelong mentor; and

WHEREAS, Jackson Hospital North opened the door to North Miami Senior High School students and offers them opportunities both in a personal and professional setting; and

WHEREAS, this collaboration has proved to be life changing for students because they build a strong relationship with their mentor. The students are selected by their teachers based on their personal and educational needs. In the end, this partnership has been successful for every student who has been a part of it. No student has ever asked to be dropped from the program, proving that this partnership is a great tool for keeping our students engaged, successful, and focused on graduation and a career.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 16-095 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing North Miami Sr. High NAF Academy of Health Science for their Collaboration with the Big Brothers Big Sisters Schools to Work Program with Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

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

Presented this fifth day of October, A.D. 2016

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary