

Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-066 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE 2017 YOUTH CRIME WATCH OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY POSTER AND ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS**

**COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, EVALUATION, AND TECHNOLOGY**

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

Youth Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County, a program of Citizens' Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County, Inc., joined forces with Miami-Dade County Public Schools in 1979 to educate young people in crime prevention, public safety, and school and community pride. Since its inception, more than 800,000 Miami Dade County Public students have received the tools and guidance necessary to reduce crime against themselves, their schools, and their communities.

Every year, the Youth Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County holds its annual poster and essay contest that is open to all students in Miami-Dade County Public Schools. This year's theme was *Using Your Voice Against Youth Violence*.

**This year's poster contest winners are:**

**Elementary School Level 1 (K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)**

- First Place-Avery Cruz (Kindergarten), Gloria Floyd Elementary
- Second Place-Ricardo Costa (Kindergarten), Gloria Floyd Elementary
- Third Place-Isabelle Cuevas (Kindergarten), Gloria Floyd Elementary

**Elementary School Level 2 (3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

- First Place-Natalie Valdes (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Gloria Floyd Elementary
- Second Place-Rihanna Griffin (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade), Scott Lake Elementary
- Third Place-Rachel Feriz (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Oliver Hoover Elementary

**Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>)**

- First Place-Carla De Mier (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), Ruth K. Broad/Bay Harbor K-8 Center
- Second Place-Isabella Ortiz (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), Richmond Heights Middle
- Third Place-Veronica Muñoz (7<sup>th</sup> Grade), Paul Bell Middle

**Senior High School (9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>)**

- First Place-Daniela Marin (10<sup>th</sup> Grade), Barbara Goleman Senior High
- Second Place-Kamia Thompson (10<sup>th</sup> Grade), North Miami Beach Senior High
- Third Place-Greter Gutierrez (10<sup>th</sup> Grade), Barbara Goleman Senior High.

**This year's essay contest winners are:**

**Elementary School Level 2 (3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

- First Place-Emily Molina (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Everglades K-8 Center
- Second Place-Grace Gonzalez (4<sup>th</sup> Grade), Sylvania Heights Elementary
- Third Place-Raisa Carrillo (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Everglades K-8 Center

**Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>)**

- First Place-Aden De Leon (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), Ruth K. Broad/Bay Harbor K-8 Center
- Second Place- Carolina Garcia (7<sup>th</sup> Grade), Bob Graham Education Center
- Third Place-Mia Erlichman (7<sup>th</sup> Grade), Ruth K. Broad/Bay Harbor K-8 Center

**Senior High School (9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>)**

- First Place-Amir Afzali (12<sup>th</sup> Grade) Cutler Bay Senior High
- Second Place-Niloy B. Bhattacharyya (9<sup>th</sup> Grade), Cutler Bay Senior High
- Third Place-Chika Ojukwu (9<sup>th</sup> Grade), Barbara Goleman Senior High.

The Youth Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County 2017 Poster and Essay Contest is to be commended for fostering our youth's creative and artistic aspirations, while promoting safety in our schools and community.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**MS. MARIA TERESA ROJAS:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.17-066 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognize the 2017 Youth Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County Poster and Essay Contest Winners.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-066  
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
RECOGNIZE THE 2017 YOUTH CRIME WATCH OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY POSTER  
AND ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS**

**WHEREAS**, every year, the Youth Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County holds its annual poster and essay contest that is open to all students in Miami-Dade County Public Schools. This year's theme was *Using Your Voice Against Youth Violence*; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's poster contest winners in the elementary school level 1 (K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade) are, first place – Avery Cruz (Kindergarten), Gloria Floyd Elementary; second place-Ricardo Costa (Kindergarten), Gloria Floyd Elementary; third place-Isabelle Cuevas (Kindergarten), Gloria Floyd Elementary. The winners in the elementary school level 2 (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) are: first place-Natalie Valdes (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Gloria Floyd Elementary; second place-Rihanna Griffin (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade), Scott Lake Elementary; third place-Rachel Feriz (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Oliver Hoover Elementary; and

**WHEREAS**, the poster contest winners at Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>) are: first place-Carla De Mier (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), Ruth K. Broad/Bay Harbor K-8 Center; second place-Isabella Ortiz (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), Richmond Heights Middle; third Place-Veronica Muñoz (7<sup>th</sup> Grade), Paul Bell Middle. The winners at the Senior High School (9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>) are: first place-Daniela Marin (10<sup>th</sup> Grade), Barbara Goleman Senior High; second place-Kamia Thompson (10<sup>th</sup> Grade), North Miami Beach Senior High; third place-Greter Gutierrez (10<sup>th</sup> Grade), Barbara Goleman Senior High; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's essay contest winners in the Elementary School Level 2 (3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade) are: first place-Emily Molina (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Everglades K-8 Center; second place-Grace Gonzalez (4<sup>th</sup> Grade), Sylvania Heights Elementary; third Place-Raisa Carrillo (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), Everglades K-8 Center. The winners in the Middle School Level (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>) are: first place-Aden De Leon (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), Ruth K. Broad/Bay Harbor K-8 Center; second place- Carolina Garcia (7<sup>th</sup> Grade), Bob Graham Education Center; third place-Mia Erlichman (7<sup>th</sup> Grade), Ruth K, Broad/Bay Harbor K-8 Center. The winners in the Senior High School Level (9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>) are: first place-Amir Afzali (12<sup>th</sup> Grade) Cutler Bay Senior High; second place-Niloy B. Bhattacharyya (9<sup>th</sup> Grade), Cutler Bay Senior High; and third place-Chika Ojukwu (9<sup>th</sup> Grade), Barbara Goleman Senior High.

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County 2017 Poster and Essay Contest is to be commended for fostering our youth's creative and artistic aspirations, while promoting safety in our schools and community.

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 17-066 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 2017 Youth Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County Poster and Essay Contest Winners.

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

Presented this twenty-fourth day of May, A. D. 2017

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Secretary