

Ms. Maria Teresa Rojas, Board Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 19-026 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA RECOGNIZING THE 2019 COLEGIO DEL AÑO AWARD WINNERS (SCHOOL OF THE YEAR) SPONSORED AND ORGANIZED BY THE EDUCATION OFFICE OF THE EMBASSY OF SPAIN IN THE UNITED STATES**

**COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL, & COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

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The Education Office of the Embassy of Spain in the United States first launched the Colegio del Año (School of the Year) award in 2013. The competition, organized by the Education Office, is sponsored by the University of Salamanca, the Difusión Group, the Master School, the Cervantes Institute, and the Vista-Santillana Group, among others.

The competition is open to public, private, and charter schools in the United States at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. Schools must fulfill the following requirements:

- Implement language programs following the Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) methodology in Spanish and English (two-way, dual, immersion, etc.).
- Use Spanish in the program at least:
  - ✓ 50% of instructional time at the Elementary School level
  - ✓ 35% of instructional time at the Middle School level
  - ✓ 25% of instructional time at the High School level.

The 2019 Colegio del Año award winners include seven schools in the United States. Four are from Florida; three are traditional Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) and one is an elementary charter school in Miami-Dade County. Miami-Dade County recognized winners are:

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<b>Winner</b>	<b>Elementary School</b>	<b>State</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Downtown Doral Charter Elementary School	Florida
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Sunset Elementary School	Florida
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Middle School</b>	<b>State</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	George Washington Carver Middle School	Florida
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Senior High School</b>	<b>State</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	International Studies Preparatory Academy	Florida

Miami-Dade County Public School is proud of the continuous achievements of these three schools. This recognition of providing dual instruction in Spanish and English is recognized by our parents, our community, and The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

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**ACTION PROPOSED BY  
MS. MARIA TERESA ROJAS:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No.19-026 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 2019 Colegio del Año Award Winners (School of the Year) – Downtown Doral Charter Elementary School, Sunset Elementary School, George Washington Carver Middle School, and International Studies Preparatory Academy, sponsored and organized by the Education Office of the Embassy of Spain in the United States.

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THE EDUCATION OFFICE OF THE EMBASSY OF SPAIN IN THE UNITED STATES**

**WHEREAS**, the Education Office of the Embassy of Spain in the United States first launched the Colegio del Año (School of the Year) award in 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the competition, organized by the Education Office, is sponsored by the University of Salamanca, the Difusión Group, the Master School, the Cervantes Institute, and the Vista-Santillana Group, among others; and

**WHEREAS**, this award is given to schools in the United States that show excellence in Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL) methodology in Spanish and English; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 Colegio del Año award winners include seven schools in the United States. Four are from Florida; three are traditional Miami-Dade County Public Schools and one is an elementary charter school in Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, Downtown Doral Charter Elementary School is the second place winner in the Elementary level completion; and

**WHEREAS**, Sunset Elementary School is the third place winner in the Elementary level competition; and

**WHEREAS**, George Washington Carver Middle School is the second place winner in the Middle School level competition; and

**WHEREAS**, International Studies Preparatory Academy is the first place winner in the High School level competition.

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

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 19-026 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing the 2019 Colegio del Año Award Winners (School of the Year) – Downtown Doral Charter Elementary School, Sunset Elementary School, George Washington Carver Middle School, and International Studies Preparatory Academy, sponsored and organized by the Education Office of the Embassy of Spain in the United States.

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

**Presented this seventeenth day of April, A. D. 2019**

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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