

Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: SUPPORT STORM RECOVERY EFFORTS AND WAIVE AND/OR SUSPEND PROHIBITIONS OUTLINED IN BOARD POLICIES 5830, STUDENT FUNDRAISING, AND 9700, RELATIONS WITH SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS, IN ORDER TO ALLOW FUNDRAISING AND/OR OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES AS WELL AS DISTRICT ASSISTANCE IN RELIEF EFFORTS**

**COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS**

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

Hurricane Dorian continues to intensify as it makes its way across the Atlantic Ocean. It has already affected our Caribbean neighbors and will likely impact parts of the United States mainland in the coming days. The District has a long history of assisting communities impacted by natural disasters. Consequently, in anticipation of potential damage caused by Dorian, District stakeholders are likely to inquire about ways to provide donations and offer support to those who may be impacted.

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As such, it is appropriate to vary from School Board Policy and allow schools and work locations to post information and/or collect funds or supplies in support of storm relief efforts. In authorizing fundraising and other charitable activities related to storm relief, the Board must waive any prohibitions set forth in School Board Policy, including limitations on fundraising and solicitation of donations set forth in 5830, *Student Fundraising*, and 9700, *Relations with Special Interest Groups*.

This item does not appear in the published agenda. There is good cause to vary from the published agenda because the landfall of Hurricane Dorian is imminent.

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**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. waive and suspend prohibitions outlined in Board Policies 5830, *Student Fundraising*, and 9700, *Relations with Special Interest Groups*, in order to allow fundraising and/or other charitable activities in support of relief efforts in response to Hurricane Dorian, and
2. authorize the Superintendent to provide logistical and staff support.

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