

Dr. Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 25-026 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR MELISSA M. MILLER.

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL, & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: INFORMED, ENGAGED, & EMPOWERED STAKEHOLDERS

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Ms. Miller, a proud graduate of M-DCPS, has devoted 14 years to advancing public education. She has served in various capacities, including substitute teacher, classroom teacher, transformation reading coach, magnet lead teacher, and currently, Assistant Principal. She firmly believes that every individual, whether student, teacher, or staff member, has the potential to shine and make a meaningful difference. Her leadership philosophy, centered on “igniting the light” within others, has inspired her school community and fostered a culture of encouragement, inclusivity, and excellence.

Since joining Frederick Douglass Elementary in 2021, Ms. Miller has played a key role in launching the GLEAM initiative—Grade Level Engaging Affirming Meaningful Instruction—aimed at promoting student engagement, validation, and academic growth. Over the past five years as Assistant Principal, she has served with distinction, consistently prioritizing student achievement, staff development, and the cultivation of a positive and empowering learning environment. Under her leadership, the school has seen notable academic gains, including increased student proficiency in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science.

This resolution honors Ms. Melissa M. Miller, Assistant Principal at Frederick Douglass Elementary School, for being named Assistant Principal of the Year, and recognizes her exceptional leadership, steadfast commitment to education, and inspiring belief in the potential of every child and individual.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the School Board Attorney’s Office as to form and legal sufficiency.

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. DOROTHY BENDROSS-MINDINGALL:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 25-026 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Assistant Principal of the Year Melissa M. Miller.

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-026
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR MELISSA M. MILLER**

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2025, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) celebrated excellence in educational leadership at the Dade Association of School Administrators (DASA) Annual Awards Ceremony. Melissa M. Miller of Frederick Douglass Elementary School was named Assistant Principal of the Year in recognition of her exceptional leadership, unwavering dedication, and measurable impact on student achievement; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Miller, a proud graduate of M-DCPS, has devoted 14 years to advancing public education. She has served in various capacities, including substitute teacher, classroom teacher, transformation reading coach, magnet lead teacher, and currently, Assistant Principal. She firmly believes that every individual, whether student, teacher, or staff member, has the potential to shine and make a meaningful difference. Her leadership philosophy, centered on “igniting the light” within others, has inspired her school community and fostered a culture of encouragement, inclusivity, and excellence; and

WHEREAS, since joining Frederick Douglass Elementary in 2021, Ms. Miller has played a key role in launching the GLEAM initiative—Grade Level Engaging Affirming Meaningful Instruction—aimed at promoting student engagement, validation, and academic growth. Over the past five years as Assistant Principal, she has served with distinction, consistently prioritizing student achievement, staff development, and the cultivation of a positive and empowering learning environment. Under her leadership, the school has seen notable academic gains, including increased student proficiency in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science; and

WHEREAS, this resolution honors Ms. Melissa M. Miller, Assistant Principal at Frederick Douglass Elementary School, for being named Assistant Principal of the Year, and recognizes her exceptional leadership, steadfast commitment to education, and inspiring belief in the potential of every child and individual;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 25-026 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing Assistant Principal of the Year Melissa M. Miller.

A copy of this proclamation is placed in the permanent record of this Board.

Presented this eighteenth day of June, A.D. 2025

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary