

Mr. Danny Espino, Board Member

SUBJECT: EXPLORING THE FEASIBILITY OF A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE G20 SUMMIT 2026

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: EFFECTIVE & SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONAL PRACTICES

In 2026, Miami, Florida will serve as host city for the G20 Summit, one of the world's most significant gatherings of heads of state, policymakers, and global leaders in economics, trade, sustainability, and diplomacy. The Summit is being organized by the United States government, with primary leadership from the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and the White House, in collaboration with international partners and a Miami-based host committee responsible for local planning and community engagement. This event will bring extensive international attention to Miami and present unique opportunities for educational institutions to engage in programming that connect students to global issues, leadership development, and workforce readiness.

As Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) continue to prepare students for college, careers, and global citizenship, it is essential to establish partnerships that not only enrich the educational experiences of our students but also provide meaningful value to participating organizations. In particular, a partnership with the G20 Summit offers a rare opportunity for students to better understand the Summit's purpose, the role of the United States within the global community, and the broader impact such international cooperation has on economies, societies, and the future of work. By engaging in collaborative initiatives, M-DCPS can ensure that students gain access to high-quality, real-world learning opportunities, while partners such as the G20 Summit organizers benefit from the innovation, talent, and civic engagement that our students contribute.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools, as the nation's third-largest school district, is uniquely positioned to develop partnerships with the organizers of the G20 Summit that may yield mutually beneficial initiatives. Such collaborations could include:

- Educational workshops and seminars aligned with global issues and career readiness when also aligned with curriculum standards.
- Internship opportunities for high school and college-bound students in areas such as event management, communications, public affairs, international relations, and hospitality, where aligned with curriculum standards.
- Access to cultural exchange and dialogue with global leaders and delegates.
- Legacy programming provides long-term educational value beyond the Summit itself.

This item asks the Superintendent to explore the feasibility of developing a formal partnership, if deemed appropriate, between Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the organizers of the G20 Summit 2026 to identify and develop mutually beneficial opportunities, including but not limited to educational benefits, student workshops, cultural exchanges, and internship opportunities, where aligned with curriculum standards. The Superintendent shall report back to the Board with findings and potential partnership frameworks for consideration at the Fiscal Accountability and Government Accountability Committee by February 4, 2026.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the Office of the General Counsel as to form and legal sufficiency.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MR. DANNY ESPINO:**

That the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, requests that the Superintendent of Schools:

1. explore the feasibility of developing a formal partnership, if deemed appropriate, between Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the organizers of the G20 Summit 2026 to identify and develop mutually beneficial opportunities, including but not limited to educational benefits, student workshops, cultural exchanges, and internship opportunities, where aligned with curriculum standards; and
2. report back to the Board with findings and potential partnership frameworks for consideration at the Fiscal Accountability and Government Accountability Committee by February 4, 2026.