

AGENDA REQUEST FOR
The School Board of Broward County, Florida

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TITLE:

**Resolution in Support of Family Day: A Day to Eat Dinner With Your Children
September 22, 2008**

REQUESTED ACTION:

Adopt resolution # 09-11, Resolution in Support of Family Day: A Day to Eat Dinner With Your Children - September 22, 2008

SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:

See text of resolution.

MAJOR SYSTEM GOALS:

- Goal One: Raise achievement of all students to ensure graduation from high school and readiness for post-secondary education.
- Goal Two: Improve the health and wellness of students and personnel.
- Goal Three: Provide a safe and secure physical and technological environment for all students and employees.
- Goal Four: Promote innovation which focuses on best practices and quality efforts that improve our best-in-class position.
- Goal Five: Recruit, develop, retain, and recognize high performing and diverse faculty and personnel.
- Goal Six: Build strong partnerships with family, business, community and government at the classroom, school, area, and district level.
- Goal Seven: Ensure district's leadership as an environmental steward through innovative ecology and energy conservation programs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact to the school district.

EXHIBITS: (List)

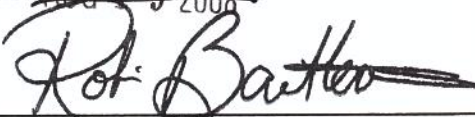
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BOARD ACTION: ADOPTED <small>(For Official School Board Records' Office Only)</small>	SOURCE OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: James F. Notter <small>Name</small>	754-321-2600 <small>Phone</small>
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**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Approved in Open Board Meeting on:

~~AUG 19 2008~~ **AUG 27 2008**

By:  School Board Chair



The School Board of Broward County, Florida

RESOLUTION

No. 09-11

**Resolution in Support of Family Day:
A Day to Eat Dinner With Your Children
September 22, 2008**

WHEREAS, our children's health may depend upon the family eating dinner together; and

WHEREAS, the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA at Columbia University) did a 2006 study titled "The Importance of Family dinner; and

WHEREAS, children in families who eat dinner together more than three times a week are a 70 percent lower risk for substance abuse than those who eat together less frequently; and

WHEREAS, children are half as likely to try cigarettes or marijuana, one third less likely to try alcohol, and half as likely to get drunk monthly; and

WHEREAS, children who eat dinner with their family regularly are also more likely to achieve better grades in school, and parents are able to get an enhanced understanding of what is happening in their child's lives; and

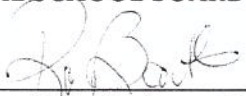
WHEREAS, the communication that occurs over the course of a meal is critical in building a relationship with your children and to understand the world in which they live; and

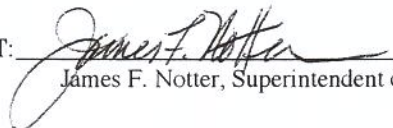
WHEREAS, in 2001, CASA implemented "Family Day – A Day to Eat Dinner With Your Children" in an effort to reduce substance abuse in children and teenagers by bringing families together to sit and enjoy a meal and each other's company and will be celebrated on September -22. 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, supports Family Day – A Day to Eat Dinner With your Children and further supports and urges all schools, centers and departments and the community to keep the lines of communication open, which is the key to keeping kids' hearts and minds receptive to guidance from the people they need it from the most: their family.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 27th day of August 2008.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: 
Robin Bartleman, Chair

ATTEST: 
James F. Notter, Superintendent of Schools