



The School Board of Broward County, Florida

RESOLUTION

No. 12-67

IN SUPPORT OF
TAKE 5 TO STAY ALIVE, DON'T TEXT & DRIVE
AND
PROCLAIMING APRIL 2012 AS
"X THE TEXT MONTH"

WHEREAS, the Broward Regional EMS Council is joining other entities across the nation to bring awareness to a growing safety concern – the risks of texting and driving; and

WHEREAS, municipalities in Broward County are following their lead and passing Proclamations urging their residents to promote safe driving and to educate the general public, especially our young people, on the dangers of texting while driving; and

WHEREAS, studies have found that 26% of American teens of driving age say they have texted while driving and 48% of all teens 12 to 17 say they have been a passenger while a driver has sent a text message; and

WHEREAS, those who text while driving are 23 times more likely to be involved in some type of event resulting in critical injuries, as compared to those who don't text while driving; and

WHEREAS, taking a break from driving and pulling off the road to use your cell phone is the basis for Take 5 to Stay Alive; and

WHEREAS, by proclaiming April 2012 as "X THE TEXT MONTH" in the Broward County Public Schools, our students will be reminded of the dangers of texting while driving, and they will be discouraged from the use of cell phones and texting while driving.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Broward County School Board by and through its Superintendent, Robert W. Runcie, and Robin Bartleman, School Board Member, hereby proclaim APRIL 2012 as "X THE TEXT MONTH" in the Broward County School System, and urge all drivers, especially our students, to join us in promoting safe driving by discouraging the use of cell phones and texting while driving.

GIVEN at Fort Lauderdale Florida this 20th day of MARCH, 2012.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____

Ann Murray, Chair

ATTEST: _____

Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent