AGENDA REQUEST FORM THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

Meeting Date			Γ	Agenda Item Number	
12/17/13	Open Agenda Yes _X_No	Special Order R Yes X		A-1	
TITLE:					
Miscellaneous Annual Recurring Board Resolutions for 2013 – 2014 school year.					
REQUESTED ACTION:					
Adopt annual Resolutions as presented to the Board.					
SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:					
In August 2013, 52 Resolutions were brought to the Board for approval. Since this is a new process, we allowed departments a second opportunity to submit Resolutions. This item supports 5 additional Resolutions.					
SCHOOL BOARD GOALS:					
X•Goal 1: High Quality Instruction _X_•Goal 2: Continuous Improvement _X_•Goal 3: Effective Communication					
FINANCIAL IMPACT:					
There is no financial impact to the District.					
EXHIBITS: (List)					
Executive Summary of Resolutions					
Resolutions					
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BOARD ACTION:		SOURCE OF ADDITIONAL INFO	JRMATION:		
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THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA Desmond K. Blackburn, Ph.D. Chief School Performance and Accountability Officer					

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Approved in Open Board Meeting on:

DEC 17 2013

By:

School Board Chair

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A-1. Executive Summary 2013-2014 – Resolutions December 17, 2013 Regular School Board Meeting

<u>RES. #</u>	TITLES	CELEBRATING MONTH
14-68	Resolution in Support of Arthritis Awareness Month	May 2014
14-69	Resolution in Support of Asthma Awareness Month - May 2014	May 2014
14-70	Resolution in Support of Cystic Fibroses Awareness Month - May 2014	May 2014
14-71	Resolution in Support of National School Nurses Week	May 6-12, 2014
14-72	Resolution in Support of National Foster Care Month	May 2014



RESOLUTION

No. <u>14-68</u>

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ARTHRITIS AWARENESS MONTH MAY 2014

WHEREAS, arthritis affects nearly 50 million Americans, and 3.3 million adults in Florida; and

WHEREAS, nearly two-thirds of people with arthritis are younger than 65 years; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 300 thousand children under the age of 18 years have some form of arthritis; and

WHEREAS, arthritis is the leading cause of disability in the United States; and projects that the number of Americans over 18 years who suffer from arthritis will increase to 68 million by 2030; and

WHEREAS, arthritis costs Americans 81 billion dollars for direct costs and 47 billion dollars for indirect costs; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Arthritis Partnership mission is to encourage and promote the combined efforts of dedicated, skilled individuals and organizations to reduce the growing burden of arthritis on Floridians of all ages, their families and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, hereby extends its support to the concept and the intent of Arthritis Awareness Month to be celebrated and urges all schools, departments, and centers within its jurisdiction to support this community-wide observance.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 17th day of December 2013.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY.

Patricia Good, Chair

ATTEST:



RESOLUTION

No. 14-69

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ASTHMA AWARENESS MONTH MAY 2014

WHEREAS, asthma affects nearly 34.1 million Americans, with over 5,000 deaths attributed to asthma annually; and

WHEREAS, asthma was responsible for 1.8 million emergency room visits, and for approximately half a million hospitalizations annually; and

WHEREAS, asthma is the most common chronic childhood illness in the United States, affects 6 million school age children; and is the 3rd ranking cause of hospitalization among children under 15 years old; and

WHEREAS, children around the country miss 14 million school days each year due to asthma and poor asthma outcome can be attributed to race, income level and geographic location; and

WHEREAS, asthma costs Americans \$19.7 billion each year in the United States, and schools lose 4 billion dollars in Search for Education Elevation and Knowledge (SEEK) funds due to asthma related absenteeism; and

WHEREAS, the School Board of Broward County Asthma Improvement and Management program (AIM) seeks to improve asthma management and emergency response, by implementing a comprehensive, culturally competent, age appropriate, results-driven asthma education training program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, hereby extends its support to the concept and the intent of Asthma Awareness Week to be celebrated and urges all schools, departments, and centers within its jurisdiction to support this community-wide observance.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 17th day of December 2013.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY.

Patricia Good, Chair

ATTEST:



RESOLUTION

No. 14-70

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CYSTIC FIBROSIS AWARENESS MONTH MAY 2014

WHEREAS, cystic fibrosis is one of the most common life-threatening genetic diseases in the United States (70,000 worldwide) and one for which there is no cure; and

WHEREAS, approximately 30,000 people in the United States have cystic fibrosis, more than half of them children, and nearly 1,300 of these individuals reside in the state of Florida; and

WHEREAS, prompt, aggressive treatment of the symptoms of cystic fibrosis can extend the lives of people who have the disease and recent advances in cystic fibrosis research have produced promising leads in the gene, protein and drug therapies; and

WHEREAS, educating the public about cystic fibrosis and its symptoms, increases knowledge and understanding of the disease and promotes early diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, in cities all across the United States tens of thousands of people are now showing their commitment to "adding tomorrows every day" to the lives of those with cystic fibrosis through the simple act of walking at a GREAT STRIDES walk site, which has raised more than \$180 million dollars since its first walk in 1989.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, hereby extends its support to the concept and the intent of Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month and urges all schools, departments, and centers within its jurisdiction to support this community-wide observance.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 17th day of December 2013.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY:

Patricia Cood Chair

ATTEST:



RESOLUTION

No. 14-71

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL SCHOOL NURSES WEEK MAY 6-12, 2014

WHEREAS, our children are our future and by investing in them today, we are securing our community and county leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, the physical, mental and emotional well-being of our children is paramount to their growth and development; and

WHEREAS, school nursing is a specialized practice of professional nursing that advances the well-being, academic success, and life-long achievement of students; and

WHEREAS, Broward County's School Nurses are dedicated health professionals who work in collaboration with families, schools and communities to develop and promote comprehensive health care programs for our children; and

WHEREAS, in addition to providing for students' immediate health needs, Broward County school nurses promote healthy lifestyles and provide health and safety education to students and staff; and

WHEREAS, Broward County residents are encouraged to promote the good health of our students and recognize school nurses for their contribution to the health of our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, hereby extends its support to the concept and the intent of National School Nurses Week and urges all schools, departments, and centers within its jurisdiction to support this community-wide observance.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 17th day of December 2013.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY.

Patricia Good Chair

ATTEST:



RESOLUTION

No. **14-72**

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH ~ MAY 2014

WHEREAS, childhood is a time for children to develop and learn in a nurturing, safe and permanent home, sadly there are more than half a million children in the United States, more than eighteen thousand children in the State of Florida, and more than fourteen hundred children in Broward County who are unable to remain at home through no fault of their own; and

WHEREAS, safe places to live and emotional support are provided for many of these troubled children through Foster Care programs across America, in Florida and in Broward County; and

WHEREAS, many extraordinary people give generously of their time, their homes, their resources and their love to provide a haven for foster children where they can feel safe and valued; and

WHEREAS, in Broward County, ChildNet, the Community Based Lead Agency, coordinates the management of 455 licensed foster homes in Broward County, oversees the care of 602 children who are placed in these homes, and provides financial aid to parents trying to reunify their families; and

WHEREAS, the Guardian ad Litem Program (GAL) is a partnership of community advocates and professional staff, 600 volunteers strong in Broward County, who provide independent advocacy and a powerful voice on behalf of thousands of abused, abandoned and neglected dependent children, and who work in collaboration with the ChildNet system and the dependency court system to ensure all children obtain the services they need; and

WHEREAS, Broward County Public Schools recognizes the needs of foster children by providing a trained educator at each school site to work with foster parents and placed foster children; and

WHEREAS, although in Broward County there were 769 children reunified and 190 children adopted last year, there remains a tremendous need for more families willing to provide foster care for or to adopt children; and

WHEREAS, during National Foster Care Month, we recognize the devotion, caring and selflessness of foster parents, faith-based and community organizations, advocacy groups, mentors, and tutors who strive to ensure that these children receive rich opportunities and the support they need to reach their full potential.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, hereby extends its support for:

NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH MAY 2014

and urges all schools, centers and departments and the entire community to make this a time to recognize and celebrate those who make a difference in the lives of children in Foster Care programs.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 17th day of December 2013.

BY:

Patricia Good, Chair

ATTEST:

Robert W. Runcie, Superintendent of Schools