

**AGENDA REQUEST**  
**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Meeting Date <b>August 5, 2003</b>	Open Agenda <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Time Certain Request <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Agenda Item Number <b>A-3</b>
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TITLE: <b>Celebrate Freedom Week Resolution</b>							
REQUESTED ACTION: It is recommended that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, adopt resolution # 04-03 Resolution in support of Celebrate Freedom Week, September 22-26, 2003.							
SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:							
MAJOR SYSTEM GOALS:  <input type="checkbox"/> •Goal One: All students will achieve at their highest potential. <input type="checkbox"/> •Goal Two: All schools will have equitable resources. <input type="checkbox"/> •Goal Three: All operations of the school system will support and align with student achievement and needs. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> •Goal Four: All stakeholders work together to build a better school system.							
FINANCIAL IMPACT: There is no financial impact to the school district.							
EXHIBITS: (List) <b>Resolution # 04-03 -Celebrate Freedom Week</b>							
BOARD ACTION: <b>ADOPTED</b> <small>(For Official School Board Records' Office Only)</small>	SOURCE OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Diane Carr</td> <td>768-8929</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dr. Mark Quintana</td> <td>765-6366</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Name</td> <td>Phone</td> </tr> </table>	Diane Carr	768-8929	Dr. Mark Quintana	765-6366	Name	Phone
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Curriculum & Instruction / Student Support  
*Dr. Earlean C. Smiley*  
 Dr. Earlean C. Smiley, Deputy Superintendent

Approved in Open Board Meeting on:           **AUG - 5 2003**          

By:           *Lois Weyler*           School Board Chair



*The School Board of Broward County, Florida*

# RESOLUTION

No. 04-03

**Resolution In Support of Celebrate Freedom Week  
September 22 - 26, 2003**

**WHEREAS**, the state government of Florida has created Florida Statutes Section 1003.421 requiring the last full week of school in September to be "Celebrate Freedom Week"; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida Statutes Section 1003.421 requires three hours of appropriate instruction in each social studies class, as determined by the school district, which shall include an in-depth study of the intent, meaning, and importance of the Declaration of Independence; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida Statutes Section 1003.421 requires that during Celebrate Freedom Week public school principals and teachers, at the beginning of the day or in homeroom, conduct an oral recitation of a portion of the Declaration of Independence; and

**WHEREAS**, Celebrate Freedom Week is a reminder that we were attacked on September 11, 2001 because we are a free country; and

**WHEREAS**, we are a country of freedom for all, no matter our differences in race, ethnicity, culture, gender, or ability; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the freedoms that Americans have which is why so many people from so many different countries want to come to our country to live; and

**WHEREAS**, It is our freedoms that have allowed us to work through our differences and remain united as a country for the past 227 years; and

**WHEREAS**, to honor the freedoms of our country, we thank our leaders and remember that freedom is not guaranteed in all countries around the world;

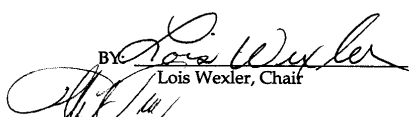
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, in conjunction with the state of Florida Statutes Section 1003.421 hereby declares

**September 22 - 26, 2003 as  
CELEBRATE FREEDOM WEEK**

and calls for all schools, centers and departments within its jurisdiction to observe this week with appropriate programs and activities.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of August 2003.

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA**

BY   
Lois Wexler, Chair

ATTEST:   
Franklin L. Till, Jr., Superintendent of Schools