

**AGENDA REQUEST FOR**  
The School Board of Broward County, Florida

Meeting Date			Agenda Item Number
August 5, 2003	<b>OPEN AGENDA</b> YES                      NO	<b>TIME CERTAIN REQUEST</b> YES                      NO	A-2

**TITLE:**

**Resolution in Support of National Grandparents Day  
September, 2003**

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

It is recommended that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, adopt resolution number 04-02, Resolution in Support of National Grandparents Day, September, 2003.

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:**

**MAJOR SYSTEM GOALS:**

•Goal One: All students will achieve at their highest potential.  
 •Goal Two: All schools will have equitable resources.  
 •Goal Three: All operations of the school system will support and align with student achievement and needs.  
 •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)**

Resolution 04-02

<b>BOARD ACTION:</b>	<b>SOURCE OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:</b>	
<b>ADOPTED</b>	Stephanie Arma Kraft, Esquire School Board Member	765-6467
<small>(For Official School Board Records' Office Only)</small>	<small>Name</small>	<small>Phone</small>

**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Approved in Open Board Meeting on:           AUG - 5 2003          

By:           *Lois Weyler*           School Board Chair



*The School Board of Broward County, Florida*

# RESOLUTION

No. 04-02

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY  
SEPTEMBER, 2003**

**WHEREAS**, grandparents represent our heritage and are essential members of our families and communities and National Grandparent's Day is set aside every year to honor grandparents; and

**WHEREAS**, the impetus for a National Grandparents Day originated with Marian McQuade, a housewife in Fayette County, West Virginia. Her primary motivation was to champion the cause of lonely elderly in nursing homes and persuade grandchildren to tap the wisdom and experience of their grandparents; and

**WHEREAS**, former President Jimmy Carter in 1978 proclaimed that National Grandparents Day would be celebrated every year on the first Sunday after Labor Day; and

**WHEREAS**, National Grandparents Day is a family day for which schools, churches and senior organizations honor grandparents with special events that will enhance intergenerational interaction; and

**WHEREAS**, National Grandparents Day offers grandparents quality time with their grandchildren, while providing grandchildren an opportunity to share in the history of their family and encourages grandchildren to gain new awareness and respect for older persons; and

**WHEREAS**, we should not forget "shut-ins" and those in nursing homes who are unable to be with their families or have no families. Every effort must be made to include these people in the mainstream through cards, community projects, and visitations at times other than just holidays; and

**WHEREAS**, we are very fortunate to have many Foster Grandparents in our schools to help our students with academics and share their wisdom, experience and talents with our students.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, supports National Grandparents Day, which signifies a caring spirit that lies within us throughout the year – a spirit of respect for our elders, and urges all schools, centers, churches and the community to participate in activities during the month of September, to celebrate the significant role Grandparents play in shaping the lives of our students and their future, including inviting Grandparents and Foster Grandparents and Adoptive Grandparents to schools to participate in activities with children to recognize the importance of Grandparents in our families and communities.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 5th day of August 2003.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

By:

*Lois Wexler*  
Lois Wexler, Chair

Attest:

*Franklin L. Till, Jr.*  
Franklin L. Till, Jr., Superintendent of Schools