

2010-2011 New Millennium Access Platforms – New Product Rollout

Secondary Student Success Center

- A school-within-a-school concept for overage middle school students 15 years and older who have not been successful in completing their coursework in a traditional setting.
- The school will provide opportunities for students to reach their age-appropriate grade level through varying techniques which will include computer assisted instruction, and increased opportunities for remediation in mathematics and literacy education.
- The school will provide concentrated counseling services, expanded community involvement, and parent-focused support.

Primary Arts (K-1 Arts Integration guides)

- Art and music integration guides will help classroom teachers in the primary grades (K-1) teach the required art and music curriculum more effectively and with greater fidelity.
- Goal is to enrich the quality and maximize the instructional time spent on art and music at the primary grades (K-1).

Operation Graduation (ACT Prep)

- Operation Graduation will support senior high school students who have failed the FCAT three or more times by preparing them to achieve a concordant score in the ACT for graduation.
- This project is supplemental and is not intended to interfere or replicate similar school-based initiatives.
- This is a collaborative effort between Title I Administration and the Department of Adult & Career Technical Education.
- Goal is to increase graduation rate at all Title I schools.

One to One Digital Education (Digital Education Project)

- One-to-one net book initiative with up to 10,000 middle school students
- Students will have access to a broad array of internet-based resources on a 24/7 basis
- Professional Development for teachers in late August and through the first nine weeks. Students will receive their net books during the second nine weeks
- Major corporations submitting proposals include: Microsoft, Apple, Dell, and A,T&T

Ethical Voices / Responsible Choices

- A campaign to raise awareness among our students and employees of the District's policies on ethics and violence prevention, as well as introduce new aspects of financial literacy and wellness.
- Implement enhanced ethics training for all District employees.

Good Deals, Good Deeds

- As expansion to the Dade Partners program, local businesses and organizations would have the opportunity to offer employees and members of the community special discounts through a web page embedded in the District portals.
- A negotiated amount/percentage of proceeds to the business/organization would be given back to the Foundation for New Education Initiatives, Inc.

Arts are Special (Cultural Enrichment for SPED students)

- A year-round cultural arts enrichment experience for students with disabilities at various grade levels in both the performing arts and visual arts.
- Under the tutelage of artists in residence and peer mentors, students will be exposed classic and popular art pieces and create original works.
- The program will culminate in a performance of the pieces developed by the artists and students along with a gallery display of visual arts created.

Fit2Learn/Fit4Life (Childhood Obesity Project)

- Implement the SPARK (Sports, Play, and Active Recreation for Kids) curriculum in elementary schools, and middle schools.
- Launch wellness centers at selected middle schools.
- Improve nutrition education across all grades.
- All funding is supplemental through sources such as Centers for Disease Control (CDC), ARRA Funding, Miami-Dade County Health Department and USDOE.

District Operated Medical Clinics - School Board based healthcare clinics placed in underserved areas of the county.

- Provide access to affordable healthcare in lieu of hospital emergency room visits to District employees, retirees, and their eligible dependents.
- Request for Information (RFI) was issued.
- Concentra, Cigna, and Take Care Health Systems (Walgreens) provided responses to the RFI and they are currently being evaluated by staff.
- A comprehensive Request for Proposal (RFP) will be issued shortly which will include a required set of services to be provided as well as possible locations to be utilized.
- It is expected that the first center will open during the 2010-11 school year.

Fit2Work (Comprehensive Wellness Initiative)

Fit2Work is a comprehensive wellness initiative designed to incent and reward employees to take control of their own health. The program includes:

- The creation of online Health Risk Assessments for all employees (HRA) allowing employees to answer questions so that they can identify possible health risks and resources within the wellness initiative to address them.
- Available biometric screenings to check for hypertension, diabetes, high cholesterol, etc.
- The creation of Fit2Work Health Lectures which will be made available throughout the year in person and via the web.

Benefit Events

- Events which raise funds for the Foundation for New Education Initiatives, Inc.

Events will include:

- Hit the Green for Education Golf Tournament
- Superintendent's Fall Concert
- Domino Tournament

Autism Centers

- A replication of the successful Blue Lakes Autism Intensive Communication Academy.
- The North and South Centers for Students with Autism will open in August 2010 at Gratigny Elementary and Redondo Elementary.
 - The North (Gratigny) Center will serve students approximately 120 PreK – grade 5 and Redondo will serve 80 students PreK- grade 3.
 - A curriculum focused on the communication needs of students with Autism utilizing state of the art technology and research based practices.

STEM Partnership with Miami-Dade North

- Biotechnology/Forensic Program at Miami Norland Senior High aims to:
 - Increase the number of students interested in pursuing careers in the fields of biotechnology and forensic science and who graduate with college credit or certificates towards a career path in various fields of Biotechnology
- Students will enroll in college/university level courses through the dual enrollment (DE) program and will participate in internships in the fields of forensic science and biotechnology.

MAST (Medical Academy for Science and Technology) @ Homestead

- A magnet school that offers advanced programs in the fields of Biomedical, Pharmaceutical Services, and Physical Therapy.
- Grades served will be 9-12.
- Temporary location is Gateway Environmental K-8 Learning Center

Early Care Centers (Baby Care)

- Centers will serve employees' children (ages 6 months to three years of age) from the hours of 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- Centers will provide hands-on experience and prepare senior high school students for future employment in the field of early childhood education.
- Credentialed staff will provide the instruction and the high school students will observe and assist.
- Students who successfully complete the program will graduate with an industry Certification Credential and nine college credits.
- Pilot schools are Miami Lakes Education Center, Booker T. Washington Senior, Coral Gables Senior, Lindsey Hopkins Education Center, Miami Sunset Senior

International Studies Preparatory Academy@ Gables

- The **International Studies Preparatory Academy @ Gables (ISPA)**, is the result of memoranda of understanding with the Consulates of Spain, France, and Italy and is the only program of its kind in the U.S.
- ISPA is a magnet school that follows rigorous standards, offers dual country diplomas the opportunity for intensive language study in Spanish, French, or Italian and international studies.
- ISPA will serve approximately 100 9th grade students for the 2010-2011 school year. The permanent location of the school will be 1570 Madruga Avenue, Coral Gables.

iPreparatory Academy (Annex High)

- iPreparatory Academy (iPrep) is housed the SBAB Annex building.
- iPrep will serve grades 11-12, beginning with up to 80 11th graders in the 2010-2011 school year.
- Students are provided with a technology-rich environment and opportunities for internships and community-based projects.
- Curriculum is delivered through a combination of online and face-to-face Honors and Advanced Placement courses.
- Students are provided with a laptop for use in their studies.

SharePoint

- An electronic solution allowing employees to set up a centralized, secure space for document sharing, tracking and monitoring of projects/tasks, scheduling of events, conducting online surveys and discussions, while reducing dependency on paper and fostering a more eco-friendly approach to business practices.
- SharePoint will improve operational productivity and agility by providing an electronic platform to manage business processes in order to meet the needs of school sites in a more expeditious and effective manner.
- Through Collaboration Sites, users will have at their disposal documents and resources which are frequently accessed eliminating the need for printing materials resulting in cost savings to the district and providing for a more eco-friendly work environment.

LeadStrong

- The purpose of the project is to leverage a combination of grant-funded and district resources to build leadership capacity throughout the district.
- Project **LeadStrong** uses a *clinical residency* model to provide a scaffolded system of support, including mentoring, coaching, professional development, and residency experiences for aspiring leaders at different career stages, from teachers aspiring to become assistant principals to experienced, high-performing principals preparing to turn around highly challenging senior high schools.