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VALUES MATTER MIAMI

RESPECT

Noteworthy News

Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) is partnering with the Miami Dolphins for the 2019-2020 Values Matter Miami Campaign. This partnership will assist our District in extending the reach of this highly successful initiative and will garner new excitement in the promotion and celebration of the nine core values.

Schools are highly encouraged to nominate students and staff members who exemplify the designated value each month. In addition to possible selection for recognition at our Values Matter Miami Awards Ceremony, student nominees will also be selected for recognition by the Miami Dolphins. See Weekly Briefing #26115 for more information.

The Miami Dolphins are also supporting Values Matter Miami through the "My Cause, My Cleats" initiative. Students are encouraged to participate in the Cleat Design Contest. The winning student will have their design worn by a Miami Dolphins Player at the December 1st home game. See Weekly Briefing #26068 for more information.

[Click here to view
Miami Dolphins - Respect PSA](#)



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SEL CONNECTION

Secondary - Edutopia Article

Making SEL More Relevant to Teens

April 5, 2019

By Amy Eva

Three social and emotional learning activities that are designed to address high school students' need for status and respect.

- Invite Students to Use Their Character Strengths
- Encourage Students to Imagine Their Best Selves
- Challenge Students to Explore Their Purpose

[Link to Article](#)

Elementary - Edutopia Video

Morning Meetings: Creating a Safe Space for Learning

August 12, 2015

At Symonds Elementary, teachers use morning meetings to develop valuable social-emotional skills, create a culture of respect and trust, and prepare students to learn.



"Respect for
ourselves guides
our morals;
respect for
others guides our
manners."

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RESPECT CHALLENGE Throughout the month of September let's flood Twitter with RESPECT.

- Post a video or photograph showing how your school is accelerating respect this school year.
- Post an "act of respect" through a video or photograph that honors someone in your community who deserves respect.
- Post positive and fun "Respect" GIF's memes, or videos using #ValuesMatterMiami.

Post your photograph, video, GIF or meme by Friday, September 20, 2019, for a chance to be highlighted in our next Values Matter Miami Newsletter. **Be sure to tag us @StdSvcsMDCPS.**



HAPPENING IN SEPTEMBER

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month



Suicide Prevention Week - September 8-14, 2019



Patriot Day - September 11, 2019



International Day of Peace - September 20, 2019



Start With Hello Week - September 23-27, 2019



LGBTQ Ally Week - September 23-27, 2019



Dad's Take Your Child to School Day -
September 25, 2019

SELF-CARE TIP

Self-care and wellness is not something you should only practice in the summer. Take time to respect yourself this month. Prioritize your own wellness and see how the culture in your office or school changes.

"The best Tier 1 Intervention is a healthy educator!"

- Adam Saenz



CURRICULUM CORNER

How can you promote RESPECT at your school? Be sure to check out some of the resources below aligned to the value of RESPECT.

◦ Bullying Lessons aligned to the value of Respect

- *Elementary School - Respect Bullying Lessons*
- *Middle School - Respect Bullying Lessons*
- *High School - Respect Bullying Lessons*

◦ Quaver SEL

- "Respect for My Family" - Elementary QR Code



- Visit QuaverSEL.com/miami for more information and training.

◦ Nearpod

- *Different Types of Families Grades K-2*
- *Developing Empathy Grades 3-5*
- *"I" Messages Grades 6-12*
- *Promoting Respect Grades 9-12*

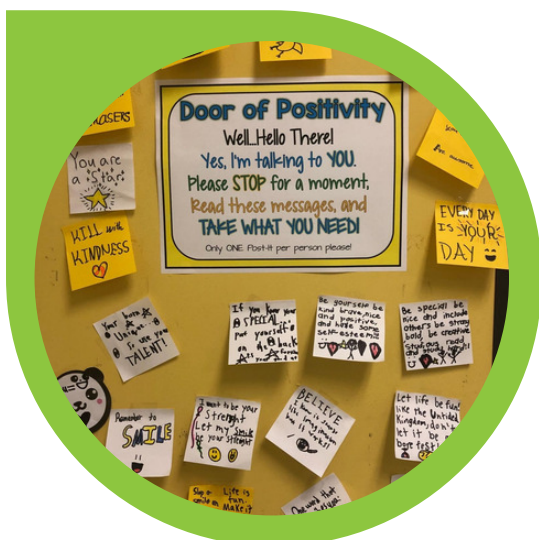


VALUES IN ACTION

Promoting Respect through Start with Hello Week

- Smile Walls
 - Make space in classrooms or around the school to allow students to share notes of kindness, respect and actions that made them smile in school.
- "Hey Day"
 - Everyone wears a name tag so you can address them by name.
- Reach Out Scavenger Hunt
 - Reach out to 5 or more students throughout the week. Exchange a card which has 3 pieces of information about the person.
- Get Caught Saying Hello
 - Throughout the week observe interactions amongst classmates and give small prizes or recognition to students who are "caught" saying hello.
- Mix-N-Mingle
 - Encourage students to sit with someone new at lunch, on the bus and in class. Celebrate connections by designating a space where students can post pictures or write a message about the new student they met.

[Link to Start with Hello Planning Guide](#)



NOMINATIONS

Submit your Values Matter Miami Outstanding Respect Nominees Here:

[Link to Nominate](#)

CERTIFICATES

Download and print out certificates to recognize students that exemplify the Value of Respect.

[Link to Certificate](#)

