# PARIICIPANI GUIDE Broward County Public Schools















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#### Broward County



**Public Schools** 

Educating today's students to succeed in tomorrow's world.

#### **\$35 MILLION +**

#### **SCHOOLS**

Reinvested in classrooms since 2011, due to increased focus on operational efficiencies and reducing costs.

#### #1

#### IN THE STATE

For the number of high school students earning Advanced Placement (AP) Scholar with Honors (609), AP Scholar with Distinction (1,123) and National AP Scholar Awards (269).

#### 91%

# OF THE DISTRICT'S TRADITIONAL HIGH SCHOOLS

Earned an "A" or "B" grade from the Florida Department of Education for the 2012/13 school year.

#### #1

#### IN THE STATE

BCPS is Florida's first fully accredited school system since 1962. Committed to delivering excellence in education to every student, every school, everyday.

#### 6th

## LARGEST SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE NATION

Second largest in the state of Florida.

#### 238

#### SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION CENTERS

Dedicated to educating today's students to succeed in tomorrow's world.

#### 260,000

#### **DIVERSE PRE-K - 12th GRADE STUDENTS**

Representing 204 different countries and speaking 135 different languages.

#### 7,500

#### HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS

Earned industry certifications in 2013, the same certifications as industry professionals.

# 175,000

## **ADULT LEARNERS**

Are served each year at BCPS Technical, Adult and Community Schools.

# \$8 Million

# IN BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIPS

To 4,705 qualifying graduating seniors in 2013.

#### 141

#### **ELEMENTARY/PRE K-8 SCHOOLS**

Offer "First Move", a national scholastic chess initiative to positively impact student achievement and self-esteem.

## #1

#### IN THE STATE

For the number of National Board Certified Teachers.

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# AGENDA









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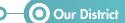
#### Ms. Patricia Good

Chair, School Board of Broward County, Florida

#### Mr. Fernando Tolon

Student McArthur High School; Student Advisor to the Board





#### **Ms. Tracy Clark**

Chief Public Information Officer



**Our Community, Our Priorities** 

#### Mr. Robert W. Runcie

Superintendent



# **Our Schools, Our Students**

#### **Dr. Desmond Blackburn**

Chief School Performance and Accountability Officer

#### Mr. Brian Kingsley

Acting Chief Academic Officer



# Special Areas of Focus

#### Ms. Kathrine Francis

Executive Director, ESE and Support Services

#### Mr. David Watkins

Director, Equity & Academic Attainment

#### **Dr. Lori Canning**

Director, Early Learning/School Readiness

#### Ms. Victoria Saldala

Director, ESOL Department

#### Mr. Guy Barmoha

Director, Math, Science, and Gifted Department



# **Call to Action**

BCPS Action Plan Card



# **Community Voices**

#### Mr. Dan Lindblade

President/CEO, Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce

#### MS. Felicia Hatcher

Founder, Feverish Gourmet **Popsicles** 





Special thanks to Stranahan High School Marine Corps JROTC



#### **Exceptional Student Education (ESE)**

The Exceptional Student Education (ESE) and Support Services Division staff provides professional learning opportunities and instructional programming to facilitate high quality instruction for students with disabilities. Supplemental services are provided in collaboration with discretionary projects such as Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System/Florida Inclusion Network and SEDNET.

#### Gifted and Talented Student Initiative

The Department of Math, Science and Gifted provides training and support for teachers of the gifted, ESE Specialists and parents or guardians of gifted children. Training for teachers of the gifted and ESE Specialists focuses on how to differentiate instruction, provide for the social and emotional needs of gifted children, implementation of screening instruments and identification procedures, as well as, the development of appropriate Education Plans that meet state compliance requirements. The staff also works as a liaison between parents of gifted children and schools to ensure that gifted students' needs are being met.

#### **English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)**

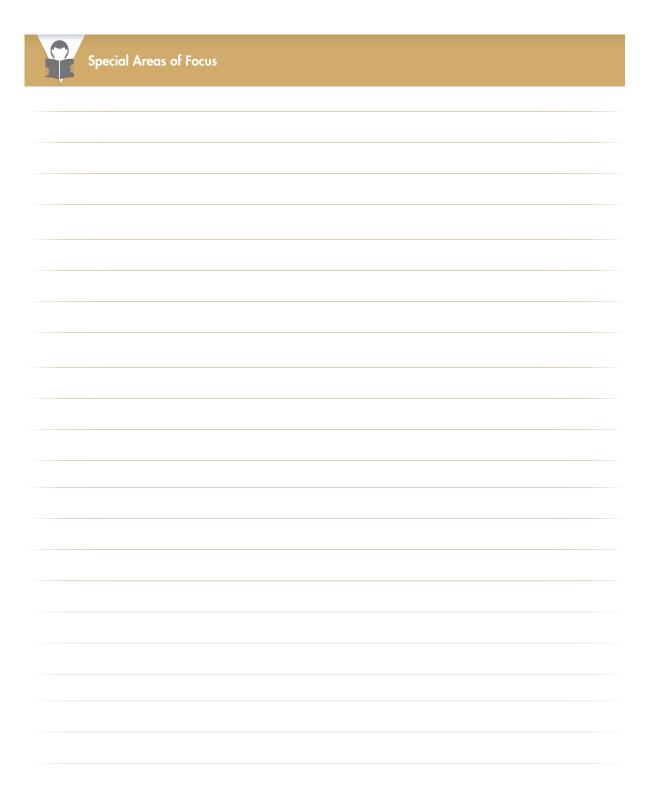
The Bilingual/ESOL Department supports implementation of ESOL, World Languages, and Dual Language Programs. Bilingual staff interprets information during meetings and translates district-level documents into the top 3 languages, while the Parent Outreach Office assists bilingual families. The ESOL Department manages grants that provide supplemental services to English Language Learners (ELL) and immigrant students such as resource teachers and materials

## **Minority Male Initiative**

The Student Services Department promotes academic achievement by removing social and emotional barriers to success. As such, the department provides services to include the Minority Male Mentoring Initiative (MMMI). The MMMI was created to close the achievement gap between minority male students and other student populations. Through the MMMI, students receive necessary assistance as well as are exposed to leadership opportunities by participating in internships and community service projects.

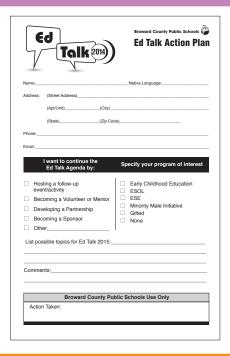
## **Early Childhood Education/School Readiness**

The Division of Early Childhood Education supports early learning programs to ensure they provide high-quality, comprehensive services that address the educational and developmental needs of children and families. We support internal (Head Start, Early Head Start, VPK) and external programs (community childcare providers participating in ELC4 grant) throughout Broward County.





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Special thanks to our guest panelists and presenters.

# Broward County р Public Schools

# **ON THE RIGHT TRACK**

#### Restoring Music & Arts

Allocated \$11 million for hiring more teachers and \$1.7 million for new music equipment

#### Investing in Teachers

More than 8% in teacher salary increases since 2011

#### **✓** Improving Student Learning

- 91% of traditional high schools earn an "A" or "B" grade
- District's overall grade rises to a "B"

#### Improving Supports for Student Behavior

- National model for eliminating "Schoolhouse to Jailhouse Pipeline"
- Student expulsions and arrests down by 60%
- Students with repeat offenses at historical low of 8%

#### Expanding Focus on Early Childhood Education

- Increased the full-day Voluntary Pre-kindergarten program from 7 to 26 classes
- Increased the number of extended day classes for Head Start students from 12 to 23
- Provided direct support to 16 early childhood centers in the community, as part of the Early Learning Coalition's Road to Child Outcomes grant

#### Improving ESE Services

Implementing Independent Review recommendations to improve achievement and outcomes for all students

#### Cutting Costs & Reinvesting Savings in Classrooms

- Lowest administrative costs among all Florida school districts
- Redesign of District's healthcare plans = \$18 million in savings and cost avoidance
- Reducing District's penalties due to Class Size Reduction = \$8.5 million in savings
- Increasing Transportation Services efficiencies = \$7 million in savings

## ✓ More Efficient Use of District Properties & Reinvesting Savings in Classrooms

- Terminated lease at Sawgrass Technology Park = \$1.9 million in savings
- Repurposed former Arthur Ashe Middle and Lauderdale Manors Elementary campuses as technical schools and administrative offices
- Opened technical college in vacant District facility
- Opened innovative online technical high school using vacant District facility
- Opened South Florida's first public Military Academy at Hollywood Hills High School
- Utilized excess capacity at Dillard High School to expand school to grades 6-12

#### Reforming Facilities Operations

- Committed to transparency and being good stewards of taxpayer dollars
- BCPS conducted external management audit; restructured all contracts to protect District and taxpayers;
   hired an external firm for program management expertise; and instituted new department leadership



