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TO: Principals

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Superintendent of Schools

Area Superintendent

SUBJECT: 2010-11 TWENTIETH DAY ENROLLMENT DIVERSITY NEW FORMAT

REQUIRED BY FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

This memorandum provides the official school District enrollment breakdown in the new Florida Department of Education required format. This is the same data that was obtained on September 21, 2010, the twentieth day enrollment count represented in the new required format. Beginning in the 2010-11 school year, the District has adopted a new racial and ethnic diversity classification system as mandated by the Florida Department of Education to align with the U.S. Census. A new racial category, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander was added, and Native American was modified to include Native Alaskans.

The most striking difference, however, in the new system is that "Hispanic" is no longer considered a race but an ethnicity, and that students are identified as either ethnically Hispanic or non-Hispanic. As you may remember, all schools were required to resurvey every student for their race and ethnicity classification during the 2009-10 school year. The attached report is the new race and ethnic reporting system required by FLDOE. Students who were formerly classified as racially Hispanic must now be identified as racially White, Black, Asian, Native American or Native Alaskan, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, or any combination of these races (all treated under one category as Multiracial), and ethnically Hispanic or non-Hispanic. The six race categories, now reported in Appendix D.2 will be reported in this format in the future.

This memorandum and the attached reports can be accessed on the School Boundaries Website located at: http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/schoolboundaries/. If you need additional information please contact Jill Young, Director, School Boundaries at (754) 321-2480.

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Attachment: Appendix D.2 and Diversity Data FAQs

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