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LETTER TO COMMISSION

To: Honorable Mayor Steven Meiner and Members of the City Commission

From: Eric Carpenter, City Manager 

Date: April 15, 2025

Subject: City of Miami Beach Dual Enrollment Program Status for Miami Beach Senior High School and Miami Beach Nautilus Middle School

The purpose of this Letter to Commission is to provide information on the status of our partnership with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS), Florida International University (FIU), Miami-Dade College, and the University of Florida (UF) to increase dual enrollment courses at Miami Beach Senior High School (MBSH) and Miami Beach Nautilus Middle School (MBNM).

The chart below provides information on the number of courses and class sections available, as well as the financial **savings to Miami Beach families since program's inception of \$3,762,404** for those children choosing to enroll in dual enrollment classes funded by the City, offered at Miami Beach public schools.

School Year	# of Dual Enrollment Courses	# of Class Sections Available	# of Students Participating	Per Credit Cost (based on FIU credit per cost)	Savings to City of Miami Beach Families
Fall 2014	0	0	0		\$0
Spring 2015	3	4	104	\$203.59	\$76,000
Fall 2015	2	4	123	\$203.59	\$89,884
Spring 2016	4	6	138	\$203.59	\$100,846
Fall 2016	4	6	125	\$203.59	\$91,346
Spring 2017	7	9	181	\$205.57	\$133,344
Fall 2017	7	12	217	\$205.57	\$159,866
Spring 2018	9	15	257	\$205.57	\$189,334
Fall 2018	9	16	413	\$205.57	\$304,261
Spring 2019	13	19	412	\$205.57	\$303,524
Fall 2019	10	18	364	\$205.57	\$268,162
Spring 2020	8	20	408	\$205.57	\$300,577
Fall 2020	7	22	552	\$205.57	\$406,663
Spring 2021	7	19	472	\$205.57	\$347,727
Fall 2021	6	14	295	\$205.57	\$217,329
Spring 2022	5	7	150	\$205.57	\$110,506
Fall 2022	7	10	201	\$205.57	\$148,078
Spring 2023	7	10	145	\$205.57	\$106,822
Fall 2023	7	9	145	\$205.57	\$106,822
Spring 2024	6	9	103	\$205.57	\$75,881
Fall 2024	6	8	152	\$205.57	\$111,979
Spring 2025	7	8	154	\$205.57	\$113,453
Total	141	245	5,111		\$ 3,762,404

Funding to support and expand the partnership in the 2024-2025 school year includes an estimated City contribution of \$68,086 for instructor salaries and MDCPS estimated contribution of \$36,720 for textbooks. This partnership also supports class size reduction.

The dual enrollment program at MBSH and MBNM School allows eligible students to enroll in a college course and high school classes simultaneously. The credits the students earn are used towards both a high school diploma and are acceptable towards a college Associate degree, Bachelor degree, or technical certificate. The benefits of offering dual enrollment courses to high school and middle school students include:

- Saves students and parents money, as dual enrollment students are exempt from paying application, registration, tuition, laboratory, and special fees if the classes taken are being used toward high school graduation
- Enriches the course opportunities for outstanding high school / middle school students
- Shortens the time to attain a college degree
- Provides students with college credit that is transferable to a college or university
- Allows grades earned to become part of the student's permanent transcripts

Dual enrollment course offerings include, but are not limited to, the following for the 2025-2026 school year:

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| • Architecture and Humanity | • Psychology of Personal Effectiveness |
| • Ballet Techniques I | • Public Speaking |
| • Business & Professional Communication | • Social Problems |
| • Criminology | • Strategies for Success |
| • English Comp I and II | • Survey of Architectural History |
| • Fundamentals of Argumentation and Debate | • Writing and Rhetoric I and II |
| • Individual in Society | • Design Graphics 1 |
| • Introduction to Business | • Design Studio 1 |
| • Introduction to Criminal Justice | • Introduction to Architecture |
| • Introduction to Culinary Arts | • Survey of Architectural History |
| • Introduction to Entrepreneurship | • Artificial Intelligence Fundamentals |
| • Introduction of Sociology | • Frontiers of Artificial Intelligence (AI) |
| • Modern Dance Techniques | • Food Prep |
| | • Begin Figure Drawing |

We will continue to support our vision of being an inclusive city with a special flavor of arts, culture, education, and business with the management objectives of being known for (PreK-12) educational excellence. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dr. Leslie Rosenfeld.

 
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