

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-29537

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND CITYWIDE PROJECTS COMMITTEE AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH MIAMI-DADE COLLEGE AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ACCEPTABLE TO THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY, TO PROVIDE DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES FOR COLLEGE CREDIT FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING MIAMI BEACH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, NAUTILUS MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND FIENBERG FISHER K-8 CENTER DURING THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR.**

**WHEREAS**, the Education Compact with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), established on January 16, 2008 ("Education Compact"), includes the outcome to increase academic support and achievement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Education Compact reflects the desire of the Miami Beach community to support excellence in the City's public schools to improve educational opportunities for youth; and

**WHEREAS**, at the January 31, 2014 Miami Beach City Commission Retreat, the Key Intended Outcomes (KIO) in the City's Strategic Plan were discussed and amendments to the priority outcomes of the Mayor and City Commission were formally adopted on March 5, 2014 pursuant to Resolution No. 2014-28525; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 2014-28525 established the KIO to Induce Public School Accountability Mainly at Middle School and Achieve K-12 Educational Excellence; and

**WHEREAS**, at the July 6, 2016 Finance and Citywide Projects Committee meeting, the Committee recommended accepting the enhancement request of \$13,000 to expand dual enrollment options at Nautilus Middle School and Miami Beach Senior High School, through a partnership with the City, Miami-Dade College, and Miami-Dade County Public Schools via the Education Compact Fund, and further approved a unanimous favorable recommendation at its July 22, 2016 meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, discussion item C4A on the July 13, 2016 City Commission agenda, regarding a partnership with Miami-Dade College and Miami-Dade County Public Schools for the expansion of Dual Enrollment options with Nautilus Middle School and Miami Beach Senior High School, was referred to and received a unanimous favorable recommendation from the Neighborhoods/Community Affairs Committee at its July 15, 2016 meeting as a recommended enhancement in the City's 2016/17 fiscal budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the graduation rate at Miami Beach Senior High School (MBSH) was 79.4% in 2015, a 16.7% increase from 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, M-DCPS climate survey data for the 2014-15 School Year reflected that 75% and 87% of parents, and 91% and 93% of school staff, agree or strongly agree that children are receiving a good education at Miami Beach Senior High School and Nautilus Middle School, respectively, and that 55% and 67% of students at those schools agree or strongly agree that they are receiving a good education; and

**WHEREAS**, an activity included in the Education Compact to increase academic support and achievement is to identify and pursue the implementation of best practices strategies to increase the graduation rate at MBSHS; and, Dual Enrollment programs are best practice programs that enrich the course opportunities for outstanding high school students and saves students and parents money; and

**WHEREAS**, Dual Enrollment is a program that allows eligible high school and middle school students currently attending accredited Miami-Dade County public or private high schools, or home schools, to enroll in a college course while attending high school or middle school. The credits that students earn must be used toward both a high school diploma and are acceptable towards a college Associate or Baccalaureate degree, or a Technical Certificate; and

**WHEREAS**, students in the 6<sup>TH</sup>, 7<sup>TH</sup>, 8<sup>TH</sup>, 9<sup>TH</sup>, 10<sup>TH</sup>, 11<sup>TH</sup>, and 12<sup>TH</sup> grades that are enrolled in M-DCPS are eligible to participate in Dual Enrollment programs and must meet specific criteria; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade College (MDC) currently offers dual enrollment courses in approximately 34 out of 53 high schools and two (2) middle schools across Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, due to state funding changes for Dual Enrollment courses in July 2013, individual high schools are responsible for reimbursing colleges for instructor and administrative fees. As such, the number of courses offered is limited due to available funding, along with credentialing limitations of instructional school staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Administration recommends, and it would be in the best interest of high school and middle school students attending public school in the City, that the City of Miami Beach enter into an agreement with MDC to allow for the credentialing of eligible City staff, as well as qualified residents, to increase the number of Dual Enrollment courses available at Miami Beach Senior High School and Nautilus Middle School for upcoming School Years; and

**WHEREAS**, a City of Miami Beach partnership with MDC would provide funding for instructors at a cost of approximately \$4,330 per course per semester for eligible and credentialed City staff and Miami Beach residents, not to exceed two (2) Dual Enrollment courses during the 2016-17 School Year at Miami Beach Senior High School and one (1) Dual Enrollment courses during the 2016-17 School Year at Nautilus Middle School, with the expectation that the number of Dual Enrollment courses offered each subsequent School Year would increase; and

**WHEREAS**, students attending Fienberg Fisher K-8 Center will also be able to enroll in the Dual Enrollment courses offered at Nautilus Middle School.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA that the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the recommendations of the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee, the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee, and the City Administration and hereby authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Miami-Dade College and Miami-Dade County Public Schools, acceptable to the City Manager and City Attorney, to provide Dual Enrollment courses for college credit for students attending Miami Beach Senior High School, Nautilus Middle School, and Fienberg Fisher K-8 Center during the 2016-2017 School Year.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14 day of September, 2016.

ATTEST:

[Signature]  
Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

[Signature]  
Philip Levine, Mayor



APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

[Signature] 8/30/16  
City Attorney Date

# MIAMI BEACH

## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission  
FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager  
DATE: September 14, 2016

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND CITYWIDE PROJECTS COMMITTEE AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH MIAMI-DADE COLLEGE AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ACCEPTABLE TO THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY, TO PROVIDE DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES FOR COLLEGE CREDIT FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING MIAMI BEACH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, NAUTILUS MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND FIENBERG FISHER K-8 CENTER DURING THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

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### RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends the approval of this Resolution. This approval will assist the Department in accomplishing its measurable objectives linked to the City's Key Intended Outcomes to Induce Public School Accountability Mainly at Middle School and Achieve K-12 Educational Excellence.

### ANALYSIS

The Education Compact with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), established on January 16, 2008, includes the outcome to increase academic support and achievement. Since the Education Compact implementation, the City of Miami Beach has collaborated with M-DCPS to improve educational opportunities for youth. At the January 31, 2014 Commission Retreat, the City's Key Intended Outcomes (KIO) in the Strategic Plan was updated to reflect the priority outcomes of the Mayor and Commission, and was formally adopted on March 5, 2014 per Resolution No. 2014-28525. This Resolution supports the KIO to Induce Public School Accountability. Mainly at Middle School and Achieve K-12 Educational Excellence.

The graduation rate at Miami Beach Senior High School at 79.4 percent in 2015, is a 16.7 percent increase from 2010. M-DCPS climate survey data for the 2014-15 School Year reflected that 75% of parents and 91% of school staff agree or strongly agree that children are receiving a good education at Miami Beach Senior High School, and 55% of students agree or strongly agree that they are receiving a good education.

Further, the M-DCPS climate survey data for the 2014-15 School Year reflected that 87% of parents and 93% of school staff agree or strongly agree that children are receiving a good education at

Nautilus Middle School, and 67% of students agree or strongly agree that they are receiving a good education.

An activity included in the Education Compact to increase academic support and achievement is to identify and pursue the implementation of best practice strategies to increase the graduation rate at Miami Beach Senior High School (MBSH). Dual Enrollment programs enrich course opportunities for outstanding high school students and saves students and parents money.

Dual Enrollment is a program that allows eligible high school and middle school students currently attending accredited Miami-Dade County public or private high schools, or home schools to enroll in a college course and high school course simultaneously. The credits that students earn must be used toward both a high school diploma and are acceptable towards a college Associate or Baccalaureate degree, or Technical Certificate. The benefits of offering dual enrollment classes to high school students include:

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

Students in the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grades that are enrolled in M-DCPS are eligible to participate in the Dual Enrollment programs and must meet the following criteria:

- A minimum 3.0 high school unweighted grade point average (GPA)
- Passed the appropriate sections of the College's Basic Skills Assessment Tests (PERT or CPT), or submitted adequate SAT/ACT scores, or submitted adequate FCAT scores.
- Permission from the parent/guardian, high school principal and counselor
- Met with the College Dual Enrollment Coordinator at the Campus he/she plans to attend
- An understanding that the amount of work necessary to succeed in dual enrollment courses will be greater than in high school courses and must earn a grade of "C" or higher in their college-level courses to continue participation. Students whose College GPA falls below 2.0 are ineligible to continue dual enrollment.

Due to legislative changes (Senate Bill 1514), funding for the dual enrollment program changed, effective July 1, 2013. Previously, community colleges and universities assumed the cost of dual enrollment. Students are exempt from paying for tuition, however, schools must reimburse the college/university for college credit courses (dual enrollment) taken by eligible high school and middle school students, who must have a 3.0 unweighted GPA and be college-ready in Reading and Writing per state-approved tests (PERT, SAT/ACT, FCAT).

As such, the number of courses offered is limited due to available funding, along with credentialing limitations of instructional school staff. Miami-Dade College (MDC) currently offers dual enrollment courses in approximately 34 out of 53 high schools and two (2) middle schools across Miami-Dade County.

The City administration recommends, and it would be in the best interest of high school and middle school students attending public school in the City, that the City of Miami Beach to enter into an Agreement with MDC to allow for the credentialing of eligible City staff, as well as qualified residents, to increase the number of Dual Enrollment courses available at Miami Beach Senior High School and Nautilus Middle School for upcoming school years.

A City of Miami Beach partnership with MDC would provide funding for instructors at a cost of approximately \$4,330 per course per semester only for eligible MDC adjunct instructors and credentialed City staff and Miami Beach residents not to exceed two (2) Dual Enrollment courses during the 2016-17 School Year at Miami Beach Senior High School and one (1) Dual Enrollment courses during the 2016-17 School Year at Nautilus Middle School, with the expectation that the number of Dual Enrollment courses offered each subsequent School Year would increase.

**CONCLUSION**

The Administration recommends the approval of this Resolution.

**KEY INTENDED OUTCOMES SUPPORTED**

Achieve Educational (K-12) Excellence

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

A City of Miami Beach partnership with MDC would provide funding for instructors at a cost of approximately \$4,330 per course per semester only for eligible MDC adjunct instructors and credentialed City staff and Miami Beach residents not to exceed two (2) Dual Enrollment courses during the 2016-17 School Year at Miami Beach Senior High School and one (1) Dual Enrollment courses during the 2016-17 School Year at Nautilus Middle School, with the expectation that the number of Dual Enrollment courses offered each subsequent School Year would increase for an initial term of two years, with possible one year extensions subject to funding approval.

<b>Amount 1</b>	\$13,000	<b>Account 1</b>	177-6881-000343
	(Subject to FY		
	2016/17		
	Budget		
	Approval)		

**Legislative Tracking**

Organization Development Performance Initiatives

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

- Resolution Dual Enrollment MDC