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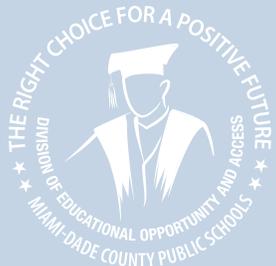
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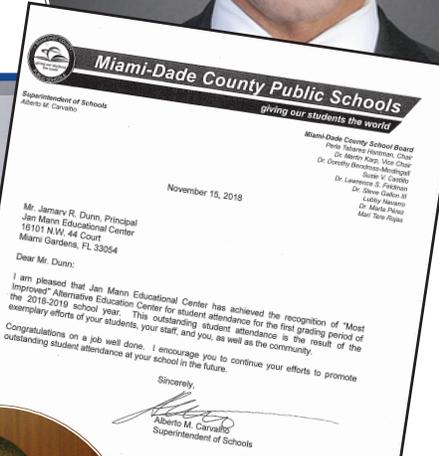
Jan Mann Educational Center Addresses Truancy: Superintendent Alberto Carvalho Recognizes Highest Attendance in the Entire Alternative Education Region



Above, Jan Mann Educational Center is an Alternative Education Center Located in Northwest Miami-Dade County. The School was Established in 1967 and Relocated in 1996 to its Present Address to Accommodate Additional Students

Jan Mann Educational Center's mission is to engage, support, and enrich the academic and social skills of the most challenging student population in the Miami-Dade County Public Schools. Dedicated professionals at the Center understand that a missed school day is a lost opportunity for a student to learn. Many students remained chronically truant in previous years; however, this year, the Student Services Staff focused their time and effort on improving student attendance. Their resolve has yielded astonishing results. The hard work and dedication of the staff at Jan Mann Educational Center has received recognition from Superintendent Alberto Carvalho, who wrote that Jan Mann's student attendance is "Most Improved" in the Alternative Education Region. The Superintendent's letter reads as follows: "Dear Mr. Dun: I am pleased that Jan Mann Educational Center has achieved the recognition

of 'Most Improved' Alternative Education Center for student attendance for the first grading period of the 2018-2019 school year. This outstanding attendance is the result of the exemplary efforts of your students, your staff, and you, as well as the community. Congratulations on a job well done. I encourage you to continue your efforts to promote outstanding student attendance at your school in the future. Sincerely, Alberto M. Carvalho Superintendent of Schools." The goal of the administration is for the Jan Mann Student Services Team to continue working toward closing the achievement gap by challenging student absenteeism and tardiness.



Above, Mr. Alberto M. Carvalho. He is an Educator and the Superintendent of Miami-Dade County Public Schools the Fourth-largest School District in the United States

Below Right, August 2018, Students at the First Day of School

Below Circle, Mr. Ja Marv R. Dunn, Principal

Below Right, August 2018, Students at the First Day of School

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MBA's Harvard Graduate Receives Prestigious Dinner Invitation: Harvard University Planned Giving

On Thursday, November 29, 2018, Ms. Chantal Osborne, principal, Miami Beach Adult and Community Education Center (MBA) and Dr. Mary Joan Connors, MBA teacher, were invited guests at a Harvard University Planned Giving dinner. The event, at the Four Seasons Hotel in Miami, was an elaborate and festive occasion! Dr. Connors, an alumna of the Harvard Graduate School of Education, is a charter member of the Paul Henry Hanus Society, and was proud to represent MBA at this event. Ms. Osborne also attended Harvard's "Ed School," as it is fondly called, as a participant in a short-term professional development workshop. Ms. Osborne and Dr. Connors shared their table with other Harvard "alums" who reminisced about their alma mater. Each invitee is committed to supporting the "Ed School" by including Harvard in their



estate planning. To their delight, Dr. David M. Rafky (Ed.D. 1970) joined them at their table. He served as a grant writer for the District from 2003 to 2005, and has continued since then as a consultant to our Adult Education programs. He led the Harvard "alums" in a discussion of current issues in grant acquisition, writing, and management.



Above, Left to Right, David Rafky, (Ed.D 1970), Dr. Mary Connors, Instructor and Ms. Chantal G. Osborne, Principal (MBA) at Harvard Planned Giving Event

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Adult Education Training Prepares Student to Fast Track into Her Career Training: Clarisa Rosas Has Come a Long Way



Above Right, Clarisa Rosa, Former English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Student Miami Springs Adult Education Center

Above, Miami Springs Adult Education Center Motto is "Come Shine With Us At Night" This Center Offers a Variety of Classes for Adults 16 Years of Age and Older

Clarisa Rosas is living the American Dream via tapping into the power of Adult Education. As a dentist who emigrated from Venezuela, Clarisa Rosas has come a long way from the time of her arrival in September of 2017. Just two weeks after the day she set foot on U.S. soil, Ms. Rosas was ready to learn English and start in her new life. During her time at Reagan Adult Education Center, Clarisa progressed from the High

Beginning to the Advanced level of the ESOL English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program. She was able to develop her skills at an excellent pace and made many friends and contacts along the way. As she acclimated to her new environment, Ms. Rosas returned to her field of dentistry. Thanks to the encouragement of an old friend, she was able to find a position as a Pediatric Dental Assistant. Fortunately, for Clarisa,

the Case Manager at Reagan Adult Center was able to help her create a resume quickly, which helped her to highlight all her work experience. Several days after Clarisa's interview, she was called and offered the job! Needless to say, Clarisa says she was so ecstatic to return to her field of work that she felt "reborn." We wish Clarisa all the best in her new journey!

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Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College Students Make History: Toyota-Technical Education Network (T-TEN) Program Shines

History was made when Toyota-Technical Education Network (T-TEN) students exceeded program expectations. During the first six months of the 2018-2019 school year, 11 students from the T-TEN graduating class of 2018 earned an average of 5.5 Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certificates. This brought the total number of ASE certificates to 59, all in a single class. This is a record number of ASEs ever earned in just one graduating class. An ASE is a professional certification which provides tangible proof that an automotive technician possesses the technical skills and knowledge in a specific area. ASEs provide peace of mind to customers and service managers. Ronald Miranda, a first-year instructor at Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College, is a 1997 graduate of the T-TEN program. Mr. Miranda is



Above, Toyota-Technical Education Network (T-TEN) Laboratory at Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College

Above, Mr. Ronald Miranda, a Former Graduate. He is the Current Instructor for the T-TEN program

extremely proud of his students' triumph. The secret to his success is his commitment to conducting weekly reviews of practice ASE tests with his students. His primary focus is on reading and comprehension skills. Mr. Miranda teaches his students how to interpret the questions and become familiar with acronyms and technical language on the ASE exams, as they relate to parts and procedures for various manufacturers.



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Above and Left, Mr. Ronald Miranda Instructing His Students



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▶ Left, Mr. Franklyn Glasford, Principal, Receives the ELITE Outstanding Performance Award. Center, Mr. Edmond Dormeus, Instructor, 1st Place Winner of United Way Campaign. Right, Mr. Renant Laleau, Instructor, 2nd Place Winner

ESOL Class Raises Most Funds for United Way Campaign: North Miami Adult Education Center Honored at 2018 Elite Conference

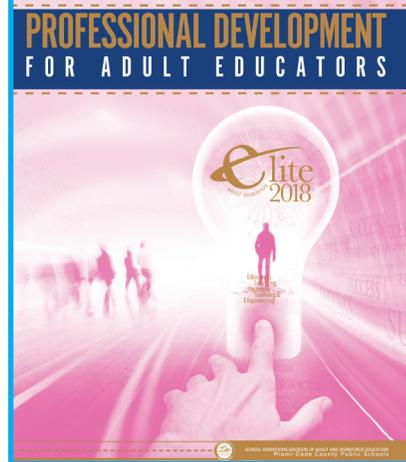


▶ Left, Staff from North Miami Adult Education Center won "Outstanding Performance Award" at the 2018 ELITE Conference, A Professional Development Program for Adult Educators which Took Place in October of 2018

Congratulations to our educators, Mr. Laleau and Mr. Dormeus on their fund-raising efforts; they both teach English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) at North Miami Adult Education Center. These instructors are responsible for raising the most funds at the school during the 2018 United Way Campaign. Although Mr. Dormeus's class was

the "official" winner, Principal Franklyn Glasford awarded both classes pizza party prizes, due to a very close competition. Here is another inspiring highlight for the faculty and staff at North Miami Adult Education Center. In October 2018, Mr. Franklyn Glasford had even more reason to become elated and proud. His Center was

well represented at the 2018 ELITE Conference for the entire Adult Education Division in the Miami-Dade School District. The North Miami Adult Education Center won the coveted "Outstanding Performance Award" at this annual Conference. Go North Miami Adult!!!



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Youth Engagement Program Students Gives Back to the Community: Sharing in The True Spirit of The Holidays

Giving back to the community throughout the entire school year, students from the Creating Community Change: Youth Engagement Program (CCYEP) took pride in serving their community, and the holiday season was no exception. Team leaders Raul Del Val from Redland Middle School and Andrea Harrell from Homestead



Middle School joined forces in early December to collaborate in a clothing and toy drive for residents Camillus House, a homeless shelter. Meanwhile, students at Citrus Grove Middle School tapped into their holiday spirit by coordinating a Sock Drive to help spread holiday cheer to the less fortunate. These efforts were led entirely by students in the Youth Engagement Program.



▶ Above, CCC:YEP Students from Citrus Grove Middle School tapped into Their Holiday Spirit by Coordinating a Sock Drive to Spread Holiday Cheer to Less Fortunate Individuals



▶ Above, Bags of Toys and Clothing for distribution at the Giving Back to the Community Initiative



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Adult Education Recruitment Staff Leaves District: Farewell. Gregory. Jones

On December 12, 2018, staff from the Marketing Department and Mr. Rene Mantilla, District Director, took the opportunity to wish Mr. John G. (Greg) Jones, Community Liaison Specialist, a fond farewell. Greg assisted the Adult Education Centers and Technical College with recruitment for approximately one year. During his tenure with the division, Greg gained valuable knowledge and experience with case management in his recruitment and retention efforts. He implemented a method of communication that resonates so well with young people that it is usually the focus of conversation at recruitment fairs. Greg has a passion for helping economically distressed teens. He donates time on a weekly basis to mentor them. Due to his passion and commitment, new and enrolled



► Staff Luncheon in Honor of Jones' Departure

students look upon Greg as an icon for Miami Dade Technical Colleges, which facilitated communication. Greg will be greatly missed.

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Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College Wins Program Improvement Grant: Automotive Collision Repair Program Receives \$5K

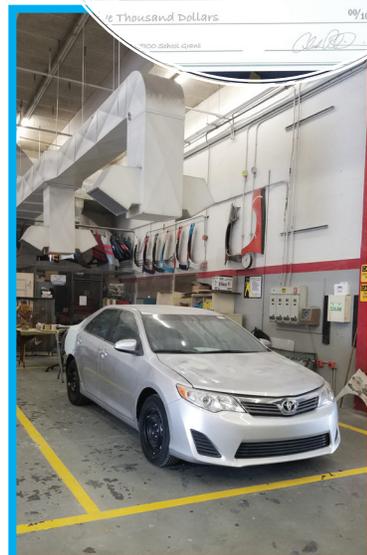


Above, Left to Right, Mr. David Parker, Instructor for Automotive Collision Repair Program, and Mr. Richard Zilka, Department Chair, Displaying Grant Check

On October 2018, Mr. David Parker, Automotive Collision Repair Program Instructor and Mr. Richard Zilka, the Department Chair collaborated

in a grant application. The initial request was for a \$50,000 program improvement grant to the Collision Repair Education Foundation. Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College were among the semi-finalists and, as a result, received a \$5,000 grant for program enhancements, including a designated welding station, a paint mixing room, and a state-of-the-art

autobody prep station. Although the estimated cost of the expansions exceeds the grant amount awarded, Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College is nevertheless very appreciative of the grant award. The money received will go a long way toward the implementation of the desired program enhancements.

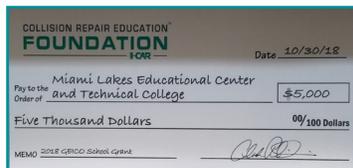


Top Right Circle, Mr. David Parker, Automotive Collision Repair Program Instructor, Displaying a Copy of the Oversized Check Received from the Collision Repair Education Foundation

Below, the Automotive Collision Repair Program Laboratory at Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College



Above, Automotive Collision Repair Program Laboratory at Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College



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Miami Beach Adult & Community Education Center—Recognizes Instructor Mr. Jorge Betancourt Awarded Teacher of The Month

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Congratulation to Mr. Jorge Betancourt for his recognition as Teacher of the Month. Miami Beach Adult & Community Education Center (MBA) salutes one of its most dedicated teachers, Mr. Jorge Betancourt. He is an ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) instructor. Mr. Betancourt imbues his adult

students with an understanding and appreciation of the English language and American culture. His pedagogical style includes a blend of direct instruction with online learning. This works well to boost students' self-esteem while minimizing their frustration. Mr. Betancourt is known for his generous "treats," often bringing delicious

snacks for the adult learners in his classroom. In addition to teaching night school, Mr. Betancourt works at Nautilus Middle School during the day and at Miami Dade College on weekends.



Above Right, Mr. Jorge Betancourt, teacher, Miami Beach Adult & Community Education Center (MBA)

Left, Mr. Jorge Betancourt, Teacher of the Month at Miami Beach Adult and Community Education Center, and His Class

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Welcome Fabienne St. Fleur, Recruiter for Adult/Career Technical Colleges and Educational Opportunity and Access

The Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) Marketing Department, which reports to Adult/Technical Colleges and Educational Opportunity and Access, welcomes Ms. Fabienne St. Fleur to the team. For five years she was a member of the team as a part-time Community Liaison Specialist before she left to explore other opportunities in corporate America. Fabienne is ready to assist with recruitment and to continue the dynamic work that Greg had reinvented and reinvigorated. We welcome Ms. St. Fleur back with open arms and wish her abundant success in her new endeavor.



▶ Left and Right, Ms. Fabienne Saint Fleur, Community Liaison Specialist, with the Division of Adult/Technical Colleges and Educational Opportunity and Access, Recruiting Adult Education Students

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Aventura Mall Help Students Lift Their Holiday Spirit

On December 19, 2018, representatives from the Aventura Marketing Council, along with various organizations such as Toys of Hope, International Warehouse Group, the Miami-Dade Family Learning Partnership, and Aventura Mall came to lift the holiday spirit at the C.O.P.E. Center North. They provided gifts to students and their babies. Their continuous contributions and inspiring efforts have greatly enhanced the Center's spirit during the Holidays.



Reading Under The Stars – Holiday Initiative

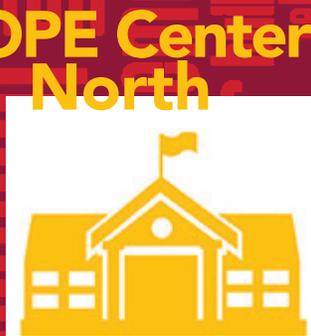
C.O.P.E. Center North hosted its 2nd Annual "Reading Under the Stars" Parent-Grandparent Event. This event was held Wednesday, December 5, 2018, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. C.O.P.E.

Center North prides itself on fostering strong relationships between the learning community and its families. The goal of this year's "Reading Under the Stars" was to help maximize student/family involvement in the educational community by modeling reading techniques, homework study skills, and illustrating creative ways to encourage family bonding in the home. This year, students from Andover Middle, Miami Central High and Miami Northwestern Sr. High volunteered to read stories to children in the Nurturing Center.



Barbara Sands Receives Award

Mrs. Barbara Sands is the Adult/Technical Colleges and Educational Opportunity and Access Region Finalist for the 2020 Francisco R. Walker Paraprofessional of the Year Award. Mrs. Sands brings her knowledge of early childhood and team building skills to the Nurturing Center staff. She is admired for her creativity and team spirit. At the C.O.P.E. Center North's Literature Parade she transformed into CATBOY from the children's TV show PJ MASKS and shared literary tales with the infants and toddlers. RIDE THE WAVE Mrs. Sands and bring home the amazing prize!!!



Partnership Helps Educate Students

On Thursday, December 13, 2018, the Fridababy Company in partnership with Miami Diaper Bank visited C.O.P.E. Center North to demonstrate their various products they offer. They also taught the students how to use their products and keep their babies safe. These companies donated their products to the students at C.O.P.E. Center North. Along with the products and delicious food, the event also featured entertainment provided by a vibrant local band and creative dancers.



Hope Grant is a Shining Star

Ms. Hope Grant is the Adult/Technical Colleges and Educational Opportunity and Access Region Finalist for the 2020 Francisco R. Walker Teacher of the Year Award. She is a brilliant and powerful teacher at C.O.P.E. Center North and her commitment and dedication to her students is profound as shown by her dedication to their achievement and success. She sought and was awarded funds for her proposal to the Educational Excellence School Advisory Council to pay for a USA Test Prep Program to improve instruction and student test performance in the Reading and Language Arts Department. Continue to SHINE BRIGHT, Ms. Grant. YOU ARE A STAR!!!!

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Community Education Mid-Year Meeting at Robert Morgan Educational Center and Technical College: Launching the "Go Live" for FOCUS Software

On Friday, December 14, the Department of Community Education and Before and After School Care Program held its mid-year meeting at Robert Morgan Educational Center and Technical College. The purpose of the meeting was to launch the "Go Live" version of the FOCUS Software, a student driven computer based program, designed to easily manage student data and make informed and timely decisions. About 178 Adult Education staff members from Miami-Dade County Public Schools attended the meeting chaired by Mr. Victor A. Ferrante, Executive Director, who reports to Adult/Technical Colleges and Educational Opportunity and Access; he has been diligent in overseeing our Community Education Program for over 13 years. The offsite office is based at Hialeah Gardens Middle School where Mr. Ferrante manages a staff of 5 and also supervises the Before and After School Care Program.



▶ A Collage of Images Representing Community Education and Before and After School Care Program Staff and Colleagues at Mid-year Meeting to Launch the "Go Live" FOCUS School Software



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