To announce the winners of the 2018 Black History Essay Contest.

- The Department of Social Sciences is pleased to announce the winners of the 2018 Black History Essay Contest Winners:
  - **Senior High School:**
    - **1st place:** Victor Ramirez, 11th grade student, School for Advanced Studies, South, Dr. Omar Monteagudo, Principal
    - **2nd place:** Audrey Ballarin, 11th grade student, Miami Beach Senior High School, Dr. Maria T. Rodriguez, Principal
    - **3rd place:** Maria Wong, 9th grade student, iPrepatory Academy, Mr. Alberto M. Carvalho, Principal
  - **Middle School:**
    - **1st place:** Lourdes Suarez, 6th grade student, South Miami Middle Community School Center for the Arts, Ms. Fabiola V. Izaguirre, Principal
    - **2nd place:** Nicolas Torrens, 8th grade student, Airbase K-8 Center, Mr. Raul Calzadilla, Jr., Principal
    - **3rd place:** Raynalie Pierre Jean, 6th grade student, John F. Kennedy Middle, Mr. Bernard L. Osborn, Principal
  - **Elementary School Grades 3-5:**
    - **1st place:** Ahmari Johnson, 3rd grade student, Hibiscus Elementary, Ms. Valerie O. Gilchrist, Principal
    - **2nd place:** Diego Pero, 5th grade student, Gulfstream Elementary, Ms. Marybel R. Baldessari, Principal
    - **3rd place:** Tyra Romero, 5th grade student, Ojus Elementary, Dr. Marta M. Mejia, Principal
  - **Elementary School Grades K-2:**
1st place: Santiago Sierra, 2nd grade student, Ojus Elementary, Dr. Marta M. Mejia, Principal

2nd place: Arianna Llorens, 2nd grade student, Norma Butler Bossard Elementary, Ms. Concepcion C. Santana, Principal

3rd place: Jacarro Smith, 2nd grade student, Gulfstream Elementary, Ms. Marybel R. Baldessari, Principal

- **Winners will be awarded the following prizes:**
  - Separate first, second, and third place prizes will be awarded in the senior high school (9-12); middle school (6-8); elementary school (3-5) and (K-2) categories as follows:
    - 1st place: $200.00 U.S. Currency;
    - 2nd place: $100.00 U.S. Currency; and
    - 3rd place: $50.00 U.S. Currency.

- Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Robert C. Brazofsky, Executive Director, Department of Social Sciences, rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net or see the contact information shown below.

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