

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS/AP'S/TEACHERS: "Becoming an Informed Voter" – Additional Instructional Resources for the November 6, 2012 General Election

**Category:** *For Your Information*

**Audience:** Principals/APs (Senior High)

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

**Attachment(s):** [Becoming an Informed Voter.pdf](#)  
[Sample Election Ballot November 6, 2012.pdf](#)  
[Miami-Dade County Voter Information Guide.pdf](#)

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To provide senior high school teachers with additional instructional resources to support instruction on the November 6, 2012 General Election.

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- A central component of a healthy democracy is the participation of its citizens in the electoral process. Voting is one of the most basic responsibilities of our citizenship.
  - The Division of Social Sciences has prepared additional resources to prepare students to cast an informed vote on the many political issues and races included on the lengthy Miami-Dade County ballot.
  - Attached is a two-part lesson plan entitled "Becoming an Informed Voter." Also attached is a sample Election Ballot and a Voter Information Guide produced by the Miami-Dade County Elections Department.
  - "Becoming an Informed Voter" focuses on every voter's need to be fully informed about all political races and questions prior to casting a vote on Election Day.
  - Additional secondary Elections Instructional Resource Packets are also available at <http://socialsciences.dadeschools.net/>
  - In addition, the Division of Social Sciences is sponsoring an online Mock Election for all students in the District. M-DCPS' Student Online Mock Election will be open for voting and available from Thursday, September 28, 2012 through Monday, November 5, 2012. Full details are found in Weekly Briefing #12686. The online link for the Mock Election is found at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012MDCPSMockElection>
  - For additional information, please contact Dr. Sherrilyn Scott, Supervisor, Division of Social Sciences, at the number listed below or by e-mail at [sherrilynscott@dadeschools.net](mailto:sherrilynscott@dadeschools.net).

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