The Miami-Dade County Youth Commission is hosting “It ought to be an Ordinance” Competition for middle and senior high school students on Tuesday, February 26, 2013.

- The Miami-Dade County Youth Commission is hosting “It ought to be an Ordinance” competition. Participation in this competition will provide students with a unique opportunity to learn from some leaders in the county about public policy and be able to present a draft ordinance to members of the Youth Commission. Its purpose is to provide young people with a vehicle to participate in the process of county government.
- Participation in this program is completely voluntary.

**Program details are as follows:**

- Schools are to create teams of no more than five (5) students and select one (1) ordinance presenter for each team. Students must identify an issue in the community over which the county has jurisdiction. Each school is allowed to create two (2) ordinances and cannot enter more than two (2) teams into the competition.
- The competition will take place in two-tiers. The first tier will be submitting a draft of the ordinance with all relevant information and a mission and purpose statement. This information is due on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 to mdcyc2013competition@gmail.com.
- The second tier will be televised and shall take place on Tuesday February 26, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Miami Dade County Commission Chambers, Stephen P. Clark Center, 2nd floor, Commission Chambers, 111 NW 1 Street, Miami, FL 33128.
- Schools will be notified if they have ascended to the second round by 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 2013.
- Additional information regarding this competition is provided as an attachment to this weekly briefing.
- Schools need to confirm participation in this competition via email to mdcyc2013competition@gmail.com no later than Thursday, February 14, 2013.

- For further assistance please contact Miami-Dade County Youth Commission (MDCYC) Staff, Jeanette Garcia via email at Jac0076@miamidade.gov or via phone at 305-755-6146.

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