

ALL SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS/APS: Voter Registration

Category: *Urgent*

Audience: Principals/APs (Senior High)

Due Date: Mar 27, 2012

Meeting Date: Mar 30, 2012

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Attachment(s): [Summary of the 2012 Proposed Plan for Registering Students to Vote Using District Staff March 2012.pdf](#)

To announce the required procedures for conducting the 2012 Student Voter Registration Drive in all senior high schools.

- Recent changes in Florida State Statute require that significant changes be made to the District's procedures for registering age-eligible high school students to vote.
- A summary of the requirements of the State Statute and an overview of the new procedures that will be implemented to register age-eligible senior high school students to vote is attached. Please review this document carefully.
- Highlights of the new plan for registering students to vote include:
 - ✓ One District staff member will be identified and trained to serve as a registered voter registration agent for each senior high school in the District. This District staff person will officially conduct the voter registration drive at the school. One Assistant Principal at each school will be assigned to assist with logistics. They will not conduct the voter registration drive. (The list of District staff assigned to senior high schools to conduct the voter registration drive will be forwarded to all schools under separate cover.)
 - ✓ Schools will hold the voter registration drive on Wednesday, April 4, 2012. Schools will be expected to host the drive in a morning assembly setting.
 - ✓ All age-eligible students, including seniors in *American Government* and *Economics* courses, will be the target audience for registration.
 - ✓ To help schools identify students who are age-eligible to register to vote, the Division of Social Sciences and Life Skills will provide computer printouts to all senior high schools under separate cover. The school's goal for registering students in 2012 will be based on the total number of students registered in 2010-2011.

REQUIRED ACTION: By Tuesday, March 27, 2012, each senior high school must log on to the Social Sciences website at <http://socialsciences.dadeschools.net> and list one Assistant Principal that will provide logistical support for the voter registration drive. Logistical support includes communicating with the District staff person who will be conducting the voter registration drive, selecting an appropriate site at the school for the voter registration assembly, coordinating the movement of students the day of the voter registration drive, etc. School site personnel will not register students to vote.

The Assistant Principal identified by each school must attend a two-hour training and orientation session on Friday, March 30, 2012 in the School Board Auditorium, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida, 33132. The meeting is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Assistant Principals will receive valuable information regarding the process that will be used to register students to vote. The Assistant Principals will also be given the opportunity to meet with the District staff person assigned to conduct the voter registration drive.

- If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. John R. Doyle, Administrative Director, Division of Social Sciences and Life Skills, or Dr. Sherrilyn Scott, District Supervisor, Division of Social Sciences and Life Skills, at the number listed below.

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