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Miami-Dade County Public Schools
EDUCATIONAL ALTERNATIVE OUTREACH PROGRAM
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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Educational Alternative Outreach Program comprises of 28 centers, which serve students who are outside the mainstream of the traditional school program. The number of students enrolled in the Outreach Program fluctuates, but averages approximately 1,200. A standard academic program is provided in each center, with the emphasis on the basic skills. Other subject areas include pre-vocational classes, art, physical education, exceptional student education and services to English Language Learners.

The 28 centers in the Outreach Program are composed of four major types: DJJ residential and day treatment centers, drug/alcohol rehabilitation centers, alternative programs, and shelters. Referrals to, or placement in these programs is based on the students' school adjustment problems, substance abuse, being a runaway and/or dependent, removal from the alternative school, adjudication by the juvenile court, placement in detention while awaiting adjudication, or expulsion from all regular Miami-Dade County Public Schools and approved for the Work Back Program.

The Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) Educational Alternative Outreach Program provides a vehicle for cooperation between Community-Based Organizations and M-DCPS toward the instruction of alternative education students. Community-Based Organizations are funded through the M-DCPS Educational Alternative Outreach Program at 95% of the FTE per school year. Some Community-Based Organizations collaborate with the Department of Juvenile Justice and M-DCPS as mandated by the State of Florida to provide educational services to adjudicated youth. Other community-based programs collaborate with the M-DCPS Work Back program as part of the dropout prevention initiatives for keeping students in school during expulsion periods. Still other Community-Based Organizations provide students new to our country and culture educational and support services.

CENTER DESCRIPTIONS

D.J.J. RESIDENTIAL/DAY TREATMENT CENTERS & DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Dade Juvenile Residential Facility - Location 8014

A DJJ residential treatment facility for adjudicated boys assigned by the Department of Juvenile Justice in need of intensive dual diagnosis treatment services or intensive mental health treatment services.

Address: 18500 S.W. 424th Street, Florida City, FL, 33034 **Phone:** 305-247-6492 **Code:** #951
Director: Mr. John Fletcher **Grade Levels:** 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 56
State Code: 7806

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum, with emphasis on survival skills
M-DCPS Teachers: Frank Gonsalves, Paul Seidner, Jesus Gonzalez, Larry Fair, Judy Vento, Lissa Nappier
Esther Del Rio, Tanya Loyd

School Board Member: Dr. Lawrence S. Feldman **School Board District:** 9 **Regional Center:** South

Bay Point Schools (Kendall) - Location 8014

A residential treatment facility for adjudicated boys assigned by the Department of Juvenile Justice.

Address: 10855 S.W. 84 Street, Miami, FL 33173 **Phone:** 305-273-9249 **Code:** #602
Director: Dr. Mary Louise Cole -Mr. Don Chaney **Grade Levels:** 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 28
State Code: 7811 **Course Offerings:** M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Jerome Wilson, Teresa Valcarcel, Nadeshka Alonso
School Board Member: Ms. Ana Rivas Logan **School Board District:** 7 **Regional Center:** South

Bay Point Schools (North) Location 8014

A residential treatment facility for adjudicated boys assigned by the Department of Juvenile Justice.

Address: 20660 N.W. 47th Avenue, Miami, FL 33055

Phone: 305-628-7207 **Code:** #501

Director: Mr. O. Henderson

Grade Levels: 6 - 12 **Average Enrollment:** 28

State Code: 7809

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Pedro Suarez, Vanessa Campbell, Peggy Eason

School Board Member: Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway

School Board District: 1 **Regional Center:** North

Dade Marine Institute North - Location 8014

A non-residential day treatment and conditional release program serving students assigned by the Department of Juvenile Justice.

Address: 2701 N.E. 151st Street, No. Miami Beach, 33160 **Phone:** 305-944-1960 **Code:** #201

Director: Ms. Cassandra Alpert

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 86

State Code: 7805

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum with emphasis on marine-related activities

M-DCPS Teachers: Lynn Atkinson

School Board Member: Dr. Martin Karp

School Board District: 3 **Regional Center:** North

Dade Marine Institute South - Location 8014

A non-residential day treatment and conditional release program serving students assigned by the Department of Juvenile Justice.

Address: 1820 Arthur Lamb Jr. Road Miami, FL 33149

Phone: 305-361-7934 **Code:** #150

Director: Mr. Joseph King

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 86

State Code: 7804

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum, with emphasis on marine-related activities

M-DCPS Teacher: Diana Duarte

School Board Member: Mr. Agustin J. Barrera

School Board District: 6 **Regional Center:** South Central

Turner-Guilford-Knight Correctional Center - Location 8017

A residential facility for young men who are in detention while awaiting final disposition of a pending criminal case.

Address: 7000 N.W. 41st Street, Miami, FL 33166

Phone: 786-263-5326 **Code:** #351

Directors: Captain Betty Fuller

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 100

State Code: 7840

Course Offerings: M-DCPS Curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Liane Harris, Richard Newbold, Esther Perez, Connie Stone, Harvey Lincoln, John Targonski, Nadeshka Alonso, Eduard Bijlsma

School Board Member: Mr. Renier Diaz de la Portilla

School Board District: 5 **Regional Center:** North Central

Womens Detention Center - Miami-Dade County - Location 8017

A residential facility for young women who are in detention while awaiting final disposition of a pending criminal case.

Address: 1401 N.W. 7th Avenue, Miami, FL 33136

Phone: 786-263-4656 **Code:** #350

Director: Ms. Killings

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 10

State Code: 7846

Course Offerings: M-DCPS Curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Thonda Ollis Bellamy, Kimberly Scaff

School Board Member: Dr. Solomon C. Stinson

School Board District: 2 **Regional Center:** North Central

Troy Community Academy - Location 8017

A non-residential alternative center for 7th through 12th grade students who are considered high-risk potential dropouts and who may also be involved in the Juvenile Justice System.

Address: 3300 NW 27th Ave. Trailer 100, Miami, FL 33142 **Phone:** 305-638-7008 **Code:** #102

Director: Judge Tom Peterson

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 75

State Code: 7839

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Audrey Scott, Carrie Zinman, Grace Bloom, Robert Thomas, Roberto Martinez

School Board Member: Mr. Renier Diaz de la Portilla

School Board District: 5 **Regional Center:** North Central

Wings for Life South Florida - Location 8014

A residential center for adjudicated teenage parents assigned by the Department of Juvenile Justice.

Address: 11000 S.W. 220th Street, Miami FL, 33170

Phone: 305-256-6275 **Code:** #901

Director: Ms. Mary Pedras

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 28

State Code: 7814

M-DCPS Teacher: Sunil Gokul, Ray Amorin , Edith Meneses

School Board Member: Mr. Lawrence Feldman

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

School Board District: 9 **Regional Center:** South

TEMPORARY SHELTERS

Boystown – Location 8017

A temporary residential shelter for unaccompanied foreign nationals.

Address: 9525 Sterling Drive, Miami, FL, 33157

Director: Dr. Julian Cirano – Karen Husted

State Code: 7819

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Mayra Tordera, Sonia Gonzalez, Jose Hung, Carlos Won

School Board Member: Mr. Lawrence Feldman

Phone: 305-380-0141 **Code:** #851

Grade Levels: K-12 **Average Enrollment:** 30

School Board District: 7 **Regional Centers:** South

Miami Bridge, Inc. North – Location 8017

A temporary residential shelter for neglected/dependent children and runaways referred by Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF)/Police and/or Voluntary Placement.

Address: 2810 NW South River Dr., Miami, FL 33125

Director: Ms. Mary Andrews

State Code: 7832

M-DCPS Teachers: Angela Toombs, Susan Castleman, Robert Martinez

School Board Member: Mr. Renier Diaz de la Portilla

Phone: 305-635-8953 **Code:** #250

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 20

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

School Board District: 5 **Regional Center:** North Central

Miami Bridge, Inc. South – Location 8017

A temporary residential shelter for neglected/dependent children and runaways referred by Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF)/Police and/or Voluntary Placement.

Address: 326 NW 3rd Avenue, Homestead, FL 33030

Director: Ms. Mary Andrews

State Code: 7812

M-DCPS Teachers: Elio Del Canal, Kimberly Scalf

School Board Member: Mr. Lawrence Feldman

Phone: 305-246-8956 **Code:** #260

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 20

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

School Board District: 9 **Regional Center:** South

Miami Children's Hospital – Location 8017

A residential treatment facility for adolescents undergoing treatment for emotional and substance abuse problems.

Address: 3100 SW 62nd Avenue, Miami, FL, 33155

Director: Ms. Aneisha Samuel

State Code: 7855

M-DCPS Teachers: Silvia Mendive, Robert Arons

School Board Member: Mr. Agustin J. Barrera

Phone: 305-666-6511 **Code:** #450

Grade Levels: K-12 **Average Enrollment:** 15

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

School Board District: 6 **Regional Center:** South Central

Open Arms International – Location 8017

A temporary residential shelter for unaccompanied foreign nationals.

Address: 11025 S.W. 84th Street Cottage 8, Miami, FL, 33173

Director: Ms. Stephanie Solevi

State Code: 7847

M-DCPS Teachers: Charisse Cruz, Antoinette Lodge-Johnson, Carolina Graterol,

School Board Member: Ms. Ana Rivas Logan

Phone: 305-270-7584/85 **Code:** #850

Grade Levels: K-12 **Average Enrollment:** 28

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

School Board District: 7 **Regional Center:** South

DRUG/ALCOHOL/PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION CENTERS

Citrus CCSU (Children's Crisis Service Unit) - (Northwest Dade Center) - Location 8017

Crisis unit and residential facility for children under psychiatric evaluation and treatment.

Address: 4175 W. 20th Avenue, Miami, FL 33012

Phone: 305-823-0332 **Code:** #401

Director: Ms. Maria Alonso Martinez

Grade Levels: K-12 **Average Enrollment:** 16

State Code: 7833

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Kevin Roach

School Board Member: Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman

School Board District: 4 **Regional Center:** North Central

Citrus Health (Lou Panci Educational Center) - Location 8017

A non-residential facility for students with disabilities in therapeutic foster care.

Address: 106 West 9 Street, Hialeah, FL 33010

Phone: 305-883-7497 **Code:** 403

Director: Mr. Mallory Johnson

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 40

State Code: 7853

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Ira Merkerson, Felicia Nealy-Blackman

School Board Member: Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman

School Board District: 4 **Regional Center:** North Central

Citrus Health SIPP (Statewide Inpatient Psychiatric Program) - Location 8017

Crisis unit and residential facility for children under psychiatric evaluation and treatment.

Address: 4175 W. 20th Avenue, Miami, FL 33012

Phone: 305-825-0300 **Code:** #402

Director: Ms. Maria Alonso Martinez

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 20

State Code: 7833

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: John Thorson, Tom Wilkinson, Iris Cofino

School Board Member: Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman

School Board District: 4 **Regional Center:** North Central

Here's Help North - Location 8017

A residential substance abuse treatment facility. Department of Childrens and Families/Voluntary placement.

Address: 15100 NW 27th Ave., Miami, FL 33054

Phone: 305-769-9662 **Code:** #601

Director: Mr. John Kross – Sam Zocco

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 25

State Code: 7823

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Stephanie Baer, Pat Kearse, Iris Cofino

School Board Member: Dr. Wilbert "Tee" Holloway

School Board District: 1 **Regional Center:** North

Jackson - Child and Adolescent Psychiatry In-Patient Unit - Location 8017

A temporary residential psychiatric treatment facility for children and adolescents

Address: 1695 N.W. 9th Ave., Miami, FL, 33136

Phone: 305-355-7353 **Code:** #098

Director: Ms. Mary Ann Buffalo

Grade Levels: K-12 **Average Enrollment:** 10

State Code: 7826

Course Offerings: M-DCPS Curriculum

M-DCPS Teacher: Vivian Smith

School Board Member: Dr. Solomon C. Stinson

School Board District: 2 **Regional Center:** North Central

Jackson - Statewide In-Patient Psychiatric Program (SIPP) - Location 8017

A residential treatment facility for children with psychiatric needs

Address: 1695 N.W. 9th Ave. Miami, FL, 33136

Phone: 305-355-7353 **Code:** #100

Director: Ms. Mary Ann Buffalo

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 18

State Code: 7826

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Durrell Knight, Robin Messina, Iris Cofino

School Board Member: Dr. Solomon C. Stinson

School Board District: 2 **Regional Center:** North Central

Miami Behavioral Health Center - Location 8017

A residential crisis unit for children.

Address: 3800 W. Flagler St., Miami, FL, 33134

Phone: 305-774-3626 **Code:** #101

Director: Mr. Connelley Dsouza

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 20

State Code: 7850

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Juan Izquierdo, Tanya Loyd

School Board Member: Dr. Solomon C. Stinson

School Board District: 2 **Regional Center:** North Central

DRUG/ALCOHOL/PSYCHIATRIC REHABILITATION CENTERS (con't)

South Miami Hospital Addiction Treatment - Location 8017

A residential/non-residential substance-abuse treatment facility

School Board Member

Address: 6900 SW 80th Street, Miami, FL, 33143

Director: Mr. Ray Estefania

State Code: 7856

M-DCPS Teachers: Georgie Chirino D'Angelo, Robert Martinez

School Board Member: Mr. Agustin J. Barrera

School Board District:

Phone: 786-662-4038 **Code:** #952

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 10

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

School Board District: 6 **Regional Center:** South Central

The Village Boys Unit - Location 8017

A residential substance abuse treatment facility for adolescent males assigned or supervised by the Department of Children and Families.

Address: 9400 N.W. 12th Avenue, Miami, FL, 33150

Director: Mr. Alex Castillo

State Code: 7843

M-DCPS Teachers: Barrett Mincey, Maria Blandon

School Board Member: Dr. Solomon C. Stinson

Phone: 786-317-4893 **Code:** #125

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 20

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

School Board District: 2 **Regional Center:** North Central

The Village Girls Unit - Location 8017

A residential substance abuse treatment facility for adolescent females assigned or supervised by the Department of Children and Families.

Address: 9400 N.W. 12th Avenue, Miami, FL, 33150

Director: Mr. Alex Castillo

State Code: 7851

M-DCPS Teachers: Alina Olachea, Maria Blandon

School Board Member: Dr. Solomon C. Stinson

Phone: 305-696-2598 **Code:** #126

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 20

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

School Board District: 2 **Regional Center:** North Central

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS

Hialeah Institute - Location 8017

An alternative education center for 9th through 12th grade students who are high-risk potential dropouts

Address: 1851 Palm Avenue, Hialeah, FL, 33010

Phone: 305-885-7450 **Code:** #050

Director: Mr. Roberto Lopez

Grade Levels: 9-12 **Average Enrollment:** 180

State Code: 7824

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Maria Blandon,

School Board Member: Mr. Renier Diaz de la Portilla
Central

School Board District: 5 **Regional Center:** North

Little Havana Institute and DIAL (Center for the Development of Infant and Adolescent Latinas) Location 8017

An alternative education center for 9th through 12th grade students who are high-risk, potential dropouts. DIAL is a part of the Little Havana Institute that serves teen parents in grades 9 through 12. Parenting classes are emphasized, along with the basic required courses, and a nursery is provided

Address: 300 SW 12th Ave. Miami, FL, 33130

Phone: 305-649-2952 **Code:** #650

Director: Ms. Isabel Navas

Grade Levels: 9-12 **Average Enrollment:** 180

State Code: 7829

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Roberto Martinez

School Board Member: Mr. Agustin J. Barrera

School Board District: 6 **Regional Center:** South Central

Richmond-Perrine Optimist – Project LEAP - Location 8017

An alternative education center for 6th through 12th grade students who are high-risk potential dropouts.

Address: 18055 Homestead Ave, Miami, FL, 33157

Phone: 305-233-9325 **Code:** #750

Director: Mr. Lance Williams

Grade Levels: 6-12 **Average Enrollment:** 90

State Code: 7835

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Kimberly Scalf, Michelle Kaiser

School Board Member: Mr. Lawrence Feldman

School Board District: 9 **Regional Center:** South

Animal Companion Science Program

The Animal Companion Science Program provides students in the elementary grades an innovative approach to “hands-on” science. It offers a process experimental science program reflecting the relationship between the sciences, as well as the relationship for science to other disciplines. Students are given opportunities to utilize program solving and critical thinking skills, associate with plants, study live animals and their behavior, and become aware of careers related to the sciences and the relationship of humans to animals.

Address: 400 East 65th Street, Hialeah, FL, 33013

Phone: 305-953-3739 **Code:** # n/a

Director: Ms. Yvette Rodriguez

Grade Levels: K-12 **Average Enrollment:** n/a

State Code: n/a

Course Offerings: M-DCPS curriculum

M-DCPS Teachers: Yvette Rodriguez, Mercedes Diaz (Para)

School Board Member: Ms. Perla Tabares Hantman

School Board District: 4 **Regional Center:** North Central