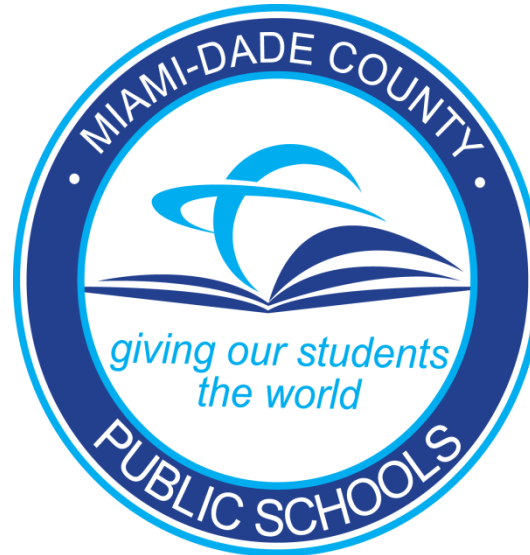


Citizen Participation Groups in Miami-Dade County Public Schools



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Foreword

Miami-Dade County Public Schools has traditionally enjoyed one of the most extensive networks of community support to be found in any educational district in the nation. The School Board may establish citizen advisory committees when there is a definite function to be performed. See [School Board Policy 9140](#) for more information.

This document, which reflects that support, contains a comprehensive list of the District's support groups, committees, councils, coalitions, task forces, and other organizations that advise the School Board and District staff.

Membership in these groups consists either entirely or partly of lay citizens. Advisory groups, councils, and task forces comprised solely of Miami-Dade County Public Schools' staff members and employee union representatives are not listed.

Special Note

All prospective and current individuals who are not employees of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and who voluntarily serve on any advisory committee for the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, are public officers who must comply with the applicable provisions of Florida's Code of Ethics, Chapter 112 of the Florida Statutes. As a committee member, they agree to conduct themselves in accordance with the highest ethical principles in the course of participating in School Board related activities. They will be required to sign a Certification of Compliance prior to serving on any advisory committee.

Each listing includes the name of the group, its Miami-Dade County Public Schools' bureau or office affiliate, its staff liaison or contact person, a brief statement of its mission, and a summary of the composition of its membership.

Because of the nature of these groups, information regarding each listing is subject to change. Such changes should be reported to the Office of the School Board Clerk by e-mail to celiarubio@dadeschools.net or by fax to 305-995-1448. For additional information or questions, please call the Board Clerk at 305-995-1440.

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Achievement Gap Oversight Committee	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Office of Assessment, Research, and Data Analysis	Dr. Omar Riaz Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1969	Makes recommendations to the School Board and the Superintendent to address and close the achievement gaps in student performance for individual subgroups on state assessments in ELA, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science, and for graduation and dropout rates.	<p>Nineteen (19) voting members. Appointing persons and entities may also appoint an alternate for voting members.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• One (1) member appointed by each of the nine (9) Board members.• Two (2) members appointed by the Superintendent.• One (1) member appointed by United Teachers of Dade (UTD).• One (1) member appointed by the Diversity Equity and Excellence in Advisory Committee (DEEAC).• One (1) member appointed by Dade County Council of PTA/PTSA.• One (1) member appointed by National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).• One (1) member appointed by Urban League.• One (1) member appointed by the Spanish American League Against Discrimination (SALAD).• One (1) member appointed by The Children's Trust.• One (1) member from a recognized community organization. <p>See School Board Policy 2624 for more information.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Attendance Boundary Committee (ABC)	Office of School Leadership and Performance	<p>Ms. Tracie N. Abner Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1857</p> <p>Mr. Ronald G. Redmon Administrative Director 305-275-3715</p>	Reviews proposed boundary recommendations that have been developed by the Superintendent of Schools, with the assistance of School Operations and the Office of School Facilities, and that have been presented at Regional meetings to the affected school communities; to review and listen to any parent/community member who has submitted a M-DCPS ABC Recommendation Form according to guidelines.	<p>Seventeen (17) members, all lay persons: nine (9) School Board Member appointments, one (1) by each Board Member; five (5) appointments by the Superintendent; one (1) appointment by the Diversity, Equity, and Excellence Advisory Committee (DEEAC); one (1) appointment by the Superintendent's District Advisory Panel for Exceptional Student Education; and one (1) appointment by the Miami-Dade County Council of PTAs/PTSAs.</p> <p>Employees of Miami-Dade County Public Schools are not eligible for appointment or membership.</p> <p>Board member appointees shall not have term limits. The term of membership shall be for one year, except for Board member appointees. Members other than Board member appointees, are eligible to serve four consecutive terms. After a member other than a Board appointee has served for four consecutive terms, a period of one year, during which they may serve as an alternate, must pass before they may be reappointed as a member. Each member shall have an alternate to serve as needed in the member's absence. All members serve at the discretion of the appointing entity.</p> <p>See School Board Policy 5120 for more information.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Audit and Budget Advisory Committee	Office of Management and Compliance Audits	Mr. Jon Goodman Interim Chief Auditor 305-995-1436	Review and make recommendations to the School Board and Superintendent on fiscal management matters and serve as the principal advisory committee to assist the Board in fulfilling its fiduciary responsibilities on budgeting, financial reporting, accounting, and business policies and practices. It is the Board’s principal agent in ensuring the independence of the District’s external and internal auditors.	<p>Twelve (12) voting members and 12 alternates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• one community representative and alternate appointed by each School Board member• one community representative and alternate appointed by the Superintendent• one community representative and alternate appointed by Miami-Dade County Council of PTAs/PTSAs• one School Board member and alternate appointed by the School Board Chair. <p>One non-voting district administrator also is appointed by the Superintendent.</p> <p>Voting members are appointed for two-year terms. Members’ terms may be extended.</p> <p>See School Board Policy 6840 for more information.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Citizens' Oversight Committee to the Interlocal Agreement for Public Schools in Facility Planning in Miami-Dade County	Office of Facilities Design and Construction	Ms. Nathaly Simon Eco-sustainability Officer 305-995-4501	Monitors implementation of the Interlocal Agreement for Public School Facility Planning in Miami-Dade County.	<p>Nineteen (19) members, all lay persons: nine (9) School Board appointments, one (1) by each Board Member; five (5) appointments by Miami-Dade County; and five (5) by the Miami-Dade County League of Cities.</p> <p>Committee members do not have terms. They serve at the discretion of the person/entity appointing them.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
District Athletic Advisory Committee	Office of School Leadership and Performance/ Athletics, Activities and Accreditation	Ms. Tracie N. Abner Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1857 Mr. Ronald G. Redmon Administrative Director 305-275-3715	Provides advisory information relative to the status of interscholastic athletics in the District to ensure that all students will have the opportunity to participate in properly funded interscholastic athletic programs conducted by highly qualified coaches in outstanding facilities with quality equipment to enhance their performance in the classroom and help them become contributing members of society.	Maximum of 20 voting members. Two (2) non-voting Board Members appointed by the School Board Chair, and four (4) non-voting District staff members. Members may be recommended by current District Athletic Advisory committee members, School Board members or staff. Recommendations are sent to the School Board Chair who renders the decision regarding the appointment. Members may continue to serve if they continue to participate and attend meetings on a regular basis.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
District Wellness Advisory Committee	District Operations/ Food and Nutrition	<p>Mr. Steffond L. Cone Assistant Superintendent 305-995-7415</p> <p>Ms. Evaggelia Kasselakis Food and Nutrition Officer 786-275-0420</p> <p>Ms. Audra Wright Nutrition Program Specialist 786-275-0438</p>	Under the Federal Healthy, Hunger Free Act of 2010, the District's Wellness Advisory Committee is required to be established to review the District's Wellness Policy. The District's Wellness Policy is to improve the overall health and wellness of students and staff.	<p>Fifteen (15) voting members: nine (9) School Board appointments, one (1) by each Board Member; one (1) appointment by each of the following: The Children's Trust, Health Council of South Florida, Miami-Dade County Council of PTAs/PTSAs, Health Foundation of South Florida, School Wellness Councils, and Miami-Dade County; Eight (8) non-voting members, one (1) representing each of the following District offices: School Leadership and Performance, Academics and Transformation, Risk and Benefits Management, Food and Nutrition, Physical Activity, Health Literacy, School Based Health Services, and School Police.</p> <p>District Wellness Advisory Committee Members serve a two-year term.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Diversity, Equity, and Excellence Advisory Committee (DEEAC)	Office of the Superintendent/ Office of Economic Opportunity and Educational Equity, Access, and Diversity	Dr. Linda A. Amica-Roberts Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1945	Review District programs to provide recommendations on maintaining a multicultural system, including but not limited to the following: Board rules related to the District’s unitary status and diversity; recruitment and diversity of personnel; student enrollment; transportation; selection of school sites; and attendance boundary zones.	<p>Twelve (12) voting members and 11 alternates (23): 18 School Board appointments, two (2) by each Board Member = nine (9) voting members and nine (9) alternates; three (3) appointments by the Superintendent = two (2) voting members and one (1) alternate; and two (2) appointments by the PTA/PTSA = one (1) voting member and one (1) alternate.</p> <p>The term of service for each member shall be four years and/or shall run concurrently with the term of service of the respective Board member or Superintendent. Member may be reappointed when their term is concluded.</p> <p>See School Board Policy 9142 for more information.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Educational Excellence Advisory Council (EESAC) Support Committee	Office of Academics and Transformation/ School Improvement	Dr. Try K. Diggs Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1405	Makes recommendations regarding the composition and support of Educational Excellence School Advisory Councils (EESACs).	Twenty-one (21) members: Ten (10) appointments by the Superintendent and Eleven (11) by the President of UTD. Annual Terms: July 1 – June 30 Appointments will be made at the beginning of the school year.

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Educational Excellence School Advisory Councils	Office of Academics and Transformation/ School Improvement	Dr. Wesley Owens District Supervisor 305-995-7325	Sole body responsible for the final decision-making at the school relating to the preparation and implementation of the School Improvement Plan and assists in the preparation of the school’s annual budget.	<p>EESACs are school-based committees. A majority must be persons not employed by the district.</p> <p>The recommended composition consists of: 5 parents and one (1) alternate, elected by parents in a manner determined by the school; five (5) teachers and one (1) alternate elected by teachers; one (1) student and one (1) alternate elected by students; one (1) education support employee and one (1) alternate elected by their peers; three (3) business/ community representatives appointed by the principal; the UTD steward; and the principal.</p> <p>Adult/Postsecondary Programs, which share facilities, must include an administrator, student, the designated steward, and a teacher, all from the adult/postsecondary program.</p> <p>Changes in the EESAC roster composition must be approved by the District EESAC Support Committee. EESAC minutes, bylaws, and rosters are available at osi.dadeschools.net.</p> <p>See School Board Policy 2125 for more information.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Family & Community Involvement Advisory Committee (FCIAC)	Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Family, and Community Engagement	Ms. Lisa Thurber Administrative Director 305-995-1767 Ms. Aillette Rodriguez-Diaz District Director 305-995-1809	Assesses the progress in implementing School Board Policy 2111, using outcome-based data, including, but not limited to, the School Climate Survey and the Parent Benchmarks Surveys, making recommendations for improvement.	<p>There will be 33 voting members, a majority of whom will be persons not employed by Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS). The members will include:</p> <p>A parent representative from the following parent groups serving M-DCPS: Miami-Dade County Council of PTAs/PTSAs, the Superintendent’s Advisory Panel for Exceptional Student Education, the Title I District Advisory Committee, the Diversity, Equity, and. Excellence Advisory Committee, three parent representatives and an administrator from each Region; a representative from programs within the District that directly serve parents: School Choice and Parental Options, Title 1 Administration, Bilingual Education and World Languages, Early Childhood Education, The Parent Academy. Three parent representatives who serve on Educational Excellence School Advisory Councils (EESACs); one from each school</p>

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Family & Community Involvement Advisory Committee (FCIAC) (Continued)				<p>level: elementary, middle, and senior; and an administrator from the Office of School Improvement. A representative from the following community-based organizations: The Children’s Trust, Catalyst Miami, United Way of Miami-Dade, Haitian Women of Miami, Informed Families, NAACP, Citizens’ Coalition for Public Schools, and the Department of Children and Families), United Way Eden Place in Partnership with Overtown Youth Center, United Way Eden Place in Partnership with Sant Ia.) A representative from United Teachers of Dade; and one business representative.</p> <p>All members serve for a one-year term corresponding to the school year.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
District and School Budget Priorities Parent Advisory Subcommittee [This is a subcommittee of the Family & Community Involvement Advisory Committee (FCIAC)]	Financial Services	Mr. Ron Y. Steiger Chief Financial Officer 305-995-1225	The District and School Budget Priorities Parent Advisory Subcommittee provides input and advice from parents to the Superintendent in the development of the District's annual budget.	No fewer than nine (9) and no more than 20 members, all self-appointed parents, including at least one representative from each Region and at least one representative from each school level. Terms end annually in June.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Miami-Dade County Public Schools Head Start/Early Head Start Policy Committee	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Department of Early Childhood Programs, Head Start/Early Head Start Program	Ms. Patricia Ortega District Director 305-995-1271 Ms. Lynnette Gonzalez District Supervisor, Instructional Support 305-995-7632	The purpose and objective of the Policy Committee is to provide a platform for parents/guardians and the community to participate in a process of shared planning and decision-making concerning the program design and implementation of M-DPCS Head Start/Early Head Start Program, in accordance with Performance Standard 1301.3 and section 642 of the Head Start Act.	<p>The structure of the Miami-Dade County Head Start/Early Head Start Policy Committee shall ensure that at least 51% of the members shall be parents of children who are currently enrolled in the Head Start/Early Head Start program.</p> <p>Eight (8) voting Head Start representatives shall be elected by and from the Head Start Parent Committee Representatives based on the number of voting representatives allotted for each school's respective regions.</p> <p>The Early Head Start Parent Committee Representatives from each school serving Early Head Start children shall elect one (1) Early Head Start voting representative.</p>

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Miami-Dade County Public Schools Head Start/Early Head Start Policy Committee (Continued)				<p>M-DCPS Dept. of Early Childhood Programs recommends at least two (2) representatives for membership. These individuals represent community agencies and/or organizations, which are supportive of the Head Start/Early Head Start program. One of the representatives can be a former parent. All Community Representatives must be elected by the Policy Committee.</p> <p>Members are elected between September and November of each school year.</p> <p>Parent members elected to the Policy Committee shall serve a one (1) year term beginning early in the school year and ending upon the election of the new Policy Committee. Members may be re-elected, but not to exceed five (5) years. Any part of a year served is considered as a full term even if the term of office is less than six (6) months.</p>

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Parent Leadership Council (PLC)	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Division of Bilingual Education and World Languages	Ms. Melba Brito Administrative Director 305-995-1838	To encourage parents of English Language Learners to participate in their children’s education, as well as to inform them of the district’s ESOL program monitoring procedures.	Parents of English Language Learners. The term of membership corresponds to two school years.
Safety and Security Committee	Miami-Dade Schools Police Department	Major Deanna Fox-Williams 305-757-7708	<p>The goal of the M-DCPS Safety and Security Committee is to review school emergency preparedness, strategies, procedures and policies as they relate to school safety and security. The Committee will work to provide a safe and secure working and learning environment for all stakeholders by involving department representatives, employees, and principals in reviewing and identifying hazards and emergency preparedness concerns.</p> <p>The committee will also provide recommendations for protecting students, staff, visitors, and school facilities, and describe roles and responsibilities of staff members in a variety of emergency situations.</p>	Membership on the M-DCPS Safety and Security Committee is comprised of District personnel from School Operations and School Police, members of parent organizations, School Board member designees, members of the Miami-Dade Association of Chiefs of Police, and members for the various M-DCPS Collective Bargaining Units. Each representative serves a continuous term of at least one year.

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
School Health Advisory Committee	District Operations/Comprehensive Student Health Services	Ms. Brenda L. Wilder Executive Director 305-995-4111	The mission of the School Health Advisory Committee is to promote the health and social well-being of all school-aged children and adolescents through public policy and advocacy.	<p>The School Health Advisory Committee must include members who represent the eight component areas of the Coordinated School Health model as defined by the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention [F.S. 381.005618.(b)] In addition each School Board Member shall appoint a representative and an alternate. Members will consist of individuals and organizations that actively support the purpose of the organization to include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Individual member – any individual who supports the mission and goals of the School Health Advisory Committee.• Medical member – any individual representing an institution with a medical (hospital or academic) affiliate.• One appointee from each of the School Board Members. <p>There are no term limits. Once appointed, members remain on the committee until they no longer wish to serve or a new appointee has been named.</p>

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
School Site Planning and Construction Committee	Office of Facilities Design and Construction/ Facilities Planning	Ms. Nathaly Simon Eco-sustainability Officer 305-995-4501	Makes recommendations on site acquisition, reviews the 5-, 10-, and 20-year capital plans and holds planning forums under the auspices of interlocal agreements.	Thirteen (13) members: one (1) School Board member appointed by the Chair; one (1) registered surveyor, architect or engineer appointed by the School Board Chair; one (1) appointment from the Board of Trustees of the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce; the president of Miami-Dade County Council of PTAs/ PTSAs or designee; the chairs of the Diversity, Equity and Excellence Advisory Committee and the Attendance Boundary Committee or designees; one (1) real estate appraiser appointed by the Miami Association of Realtors and practicing in Miami-Dade County; two (2) real estate experts appointed by the Miami Association of Realtors (residential and commercial); a Miami-Dade County representative selected by the County Manager or designee; a representative selected by the Miami-Dade County League of Cities; a member of the residential construction industry appointed by the Builders Association of South Florida; a member of the residential construction industry appointed by the Latin Builders Association.

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Secure Our Future Advisory Committee	Office of the Superintendent/ Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Family, and Community Engagement	Ms. Tabitha G. Fazzino Chief Intergovernmental Affairs, Family, and Community Engagement Officer 305-995-1206	The purpose of the Secure Our Future Advisory Committee (Committee) is to review, monitor, and make recommendations to the Superintendent and School Board, and inform the public regarding the use of proceeds generated from the assessment of a 0.75 mill levy of ad valorem taxes (Referendum) approved by voters on November 6, 2018, for the purpose of improving compensation for high quality teachers and instructional personnel, and increasing school safety and security personnel. The referendum was renewed on November 8, 2022. The Committee is formed to provide transparency and instill confidence in Miami-Dade County taxpayers that these funds will be used for the purpose stated in the Referendum.	<p>The Committee is comprised of 21 voting members and 5 non-voting members.</p> <p>The 21 voting representatives are comprised of: 9 Board member appointees; 2 Superintendent appointees; the Dade County Council PTA/PTSA President or designee; Chair of the Board's Audit and Budget Advisory Committee or designee; 1 member appointed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); 1 member appointed by the Spanish American League Against Discrimination (SALAD); 1 member appointed by the Business Advisory Council; 1 member appointed by the Family/Community Involvement Advisory Council (FCIAC); 1 retired teacher appointed by the Board Chair; 1 retired law enforcement officer appointed by the Board Chair; and 2 charter school governing board members (members shall not be from the same governing board) appointed by the School Board Chair.</p> <p>The 5 non-voting members are the Inspector General of the District; 1 member appointed by the United Teachers of Dade (UTD); 1 member appointed by the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP); 1 member appointed by the District Student Government Association; and 1 member appointed by the M-DCPS Retirement Benefits Council.</p> <p>See School Board Policy 9143 for more information.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Small, Micro and Minority Women-Owned Business Enterprise Advisory Committee	Office of the Superintendent/ Office of Economic Opportunity and Educational Equity, Access, and Diversity	Dr. Linda A. Amica-Roberts Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1945	Provide guidance on the implementation of the SBE/MBE Program and to promote the participation and use of SBE/MBEs and M/WBEs in the procurement activities of the School Board. Identify and evaluate issues related to economic opportunities within the School Board for small, micro and minority/women owned businesses. Provide recommendations to the School Board to improve the SBE/MBE program. Annually evaluate and report to the School board on the effectiveness of the SBE/MBE program in increasing minority and women owned business participation in the School Board's procurement process. Monitor any disparity study that may be conducted by the School Board and make recommendations based on the results of any such study.	<p>Membership is comprised of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ten (10) appointed members: 9 School Board appointments, one (1) per Board Member; and one (1) appointed by the Superintendent.• Each School Board member and the Superintendent should also appoint one alternate. <p>Members/Term: Members serve on the committee for no more than four (4) consecutive years.</p> <p>See School Board Policy 6320.02 for more information.</p>

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Student Government Association	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Department of Social Sciences	Mr. Robert Brazofsky Executive Director 305-995-1982	Advises the student representative to the School Board.	<p>Members are the Student Advisor to the School Board, six (6) other members of the District's Student Government Association's Executive Board (President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Legislative Liaison, and Social Justice Advocate) and the presidents of each high school's student government associations elected by each high school's student body.</p> <p>The high school presidents of the school-based student government associations serve for a term of one academic year.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Standardized Testing/Assessment of Educational Progress Committee	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Assessment, Research, and Data Analysis	Dr. Omar Riaz Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1969	Ensure that all students receive a high-quality education by continuously evaluating and improving our educational programs and assessment practices. Our goal is to promote student learning and success by using valid, reliable, and fair assessments that measure student progress and inform instructional decisions. We are committed to using data-driven decision making to promote equity and excellence for all students, and to working collaboratively with educators, administrators, and community members to advance our mission.	Twenty-two (22) members: Eleven (11) appointments by the Superintendent and eleven (11) by the President of UTD. Annual Terms: July 1 - June 30 Appointments are made at the beginning of the school year.

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Student Services Advisory Committee	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Division of Student Services	Ms. Martha Z. Harris Administrative Director 305-816-0436 Ms. Sharon Krantz Executive Director 305-816-0436	Reviews and makes recommendations on the counseling, career, substance education, and student development priorities in the District.	<p>The Advisory Committee shall be comprised of parent, agency, community, professional organization, higher education, and Miami-Dade County Public Schools representatives. The representatives on the committee will reflect the diversity of the population served, the diversity of programs, the need for parent and community involvement, and school system priorities.</p> <p>The Administrative Director from the Division of Student Services shall serve on the committee, appoint a staff liaison, and appoint other staff members representing a variety of programs and job titles. In addition, there are 9 School Board appointments, one (1) by each Board Member.</p> <p>Members shall be appointed by their constituent's bodies to a one-year term, beginning July 1st and ending June 30th. Members may be reappointed for additional terms.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Superintendent's District Advisory Panel for Exceptional Student Education	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Department of Educational Services and Exceptional Student Education	Ms. Angie Torres Assistant Superintendent 305-995-2037	Serves in an advisory capacity to the Superintendent and District administration regarding issues related to Exceptional Student Education, which includes students with disabilities and Gifted.	<p>The Advisory Panel consists of 29 voting members which are comprised of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ten (10) parents/legal guardians/caregivers of children with specialized needs who are attending a public M-DCPS traditional or charter school.• Two (2) student representatives who submit a letter of interest to serve on the Panel to the Committee Chair, are recommended by the Panel as a whole, and approved by the Superintendent;• Nine (9) appointments by the Superintendent from community agencies;• Four (4) appointed honorary members;• Four (4) M-DCPS staff appointments made by the Administrative Director of the Department of Exceptional Student Education in collaboration with the Committee membership. <p>There are term limits as specified in the Panel By-Laws.</p>

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Technology Advisory Committee	Information Technology Services	Mr. Eugene P. Baker Chief Information Officer 305-995-3754	Provides strategic input and recommendations in the development and implementation of technology and cybersecurity strategies that align with the School Board's mission and goals.	<p>Eleven (11) voting members, including one (1) voting member (and one (1) alternate) appointed by each of the nine (9) Board members, and two (2) voting members (and two (2) alternates) appointed by the Superintendent of Schools, none of whom are employed by the District and do not have any direct or indirect business with the District.</p> <p>Ex-Officio non-voting members are comprised of the Chief Auditor of the District and two (2) non-voting members appointed by the Superintendent to serve as liaisons and provide administrative and logistical support to the advisory committee.</p> <p>All voting members serve two-year terms.</p> <p>See School Board Policy 9146 for more information.</p>

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Title I District Advisory Council (DAC) Executive Board	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Title I Administration	Ms. Bernadette Montgomery Administrative Director 305-995-2587	Advises and supports Title I Administration in the planning and implementation of the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Program.	Approximately 25 members, including parents, staff from Title I schools, and Two (2) District Staff Advisors from the Department of Title I Administration. All voting members (officers) serve two-year terms.
Title I Migrant Education Program Parent Advisory Council (MPAC)	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Title I, Migrant Education Program (MEP)	Ms. Erica Garcia Executive Director 305-258-4115	Advises and supports the Title I MEP with the planning and implementation of the MEP.	Parent representatives from the 10 schools served by the Title I MEP participate in the advisory council on an ad-hoc basis (non-voting). The four (4) voting members are the MPAC Executive Board, who are elected by the parent representatives. These voting members (officers) serve three-year terms.

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Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Treasury Advisory Committee	Financial Services/ Treasury Management	Ms. Margarita Betancourt Treasurer 305-995-1687	Acts in an independent, expert, advisory role for improving the financial performance of the District's investment, debt, financial risk, and cash management activities.	At least five external voting members appointed to staggering, four-year terms and at least four ex-officio members including a Board member and two staff members.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
21 st Century Schools Bond Advisory Committee (SBAC)	Office of the Superintendent	Ms. Tabitha G. Fazzino Chief Intergovernmental Affairs, Family, and Community Engagement Officer 305-995-1206	To provide transparency and instill confidence in the taxpayers of Miami-Dade County that the proceeds of the General Obligation Bond (GOB) Program are being used according to the published plan, that projects are being delivered in a timely manner, are equitably distributed, and that the investments made support the local economy. The SBAC will remain in existence for the duration of the Bond Program and shall sunset once all of the proceeds from the Bond Program have been expended and accounted for.	Twenty-three (23) voting members: one (1) representative and one (1) alternate appointed by each School Board member; the Dade County Council PTA President or designee; the Miami-Dade League of Cities Executive Director or designee; the South Florida Regional Planning Council Executive Director or designee; the Chair of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools Audit and Budget Advisory Committee or designee; one (1) representative appointed by each of the following: the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, the NAACP, the National Action Network, the Spanish American League Against Discrimination (SALAD), Sant La Haitian Neighborhood Center, the Beacon Council, the Business Advisory Council; the Foundation for New Education Initiatives; and two (2) at-large members and two (2) alternates appointed by the Superintendent of Schools. The SBAC shall also include six (6) ex-officio non-voting District staff members as follows: Chief Facilities Officer; Chief Financial Officer; Chief Auditor; Chief of Staff, the Miami-Dade County Inspector General, and a representative of the Student Government Association.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
21 st Century Schools Bond Advisory Committee (SBAC) (Continued)				Bond Advisory Committee members appointed by School Board members and the Superintendent shall serve a two-year term. All such members may be reappointed. Newly-elected School Board members and appointed Superintendents shall have the opportunity to reappoint incumbent SBAC members or to select a new representative, regardless of the time remaining on the SBAC member's term. Members appointed by outside entities shall confirm or replace their appointees at least every two years.
WLRN Community Advisory Board	Office of Communications	Ms. Vivian M. Santiesteban-Pardo Chief Communications Officer 305-995-2060 Mr. Andrew Ruiz WLRN Management Liaison 305-995-4502	Advises WLRN-TV and WLRN-FM staff of program selection and production.	Twelve members: two (2) School Board Members appointed by the Chair; two (2) persons appointed from the Board of Friends of WLRN, Inc.; one (1) person appointed from the South Florida Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists; and seven (7) community members apply to serve, and are selected by a nomination committee.

AD HOC TASK FORCES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Assistant Principal of the Year (APOY)	Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Family, and Community Engagement	Ms. Lisa Thurber Administrative Director 305-995-1767	Reviews nominations and selects Assistant Principal of the Year.	<p>Nine (9) voting members: Reigning AP of the Year or the runner-up; two (2) administrators appointed by DASA; two (2) District staff appointed by the Superintendent; three (3) community representatives, one (1) each from: Miami-Dade County PTA/PTSA, FCIAC and a Community/Business Partner; one (1) UTD representative. One (1) non-voting staff liaison from Office of Community Engagement.</p> <p>Members serve annually beginning in February of each year.</p>

AD HOC TASK FORCES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
District Ad Hoc Contest Task Force	Office of School Leadership and Performance/ Athletics, Activities and Accreditation	Ms. Tracie N. Abner Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1857 Mr. Ronald G. Redmon Administrative Director 305-275-3715 Mr. Ira E. Fluitt Curriculum Support Specialist 305-275-3710	To review all requests for contests and develop a list of approved contests to be conducted in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.	Membership is comprised of one (1) non-voting School Board member appointed by the Chair; representatives from each school level (elementary through senior), the region level; the District level; and United Teachers of Dade. The term of membership shall correspond to one school year.
Field Trip Ad Hoc Task Force	Office of School Leadership and Performance/ Athletics, Activities and Accreditation	Ms. Tracie N. Abner Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1857 Mr. Ronald G. Redmon Administrative Director 305-275-3715	To develop a list of recommended out-of-county and out-of-state field trips for submission to the Board for action.	Membership is comprised of representatives from PTA/PTSA, the Family and Community Involvement Advisory Committee, United Teachers of Dade (UTD), principals, students, region administration, and district administration. Members are appointed annually by the Superintendent or his/her designee. Term is from July to June.

AD HOC TASK FORCES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Office Employee of the Year (OEOY)	Office of Human Capital Management/ Support Personnel Staffing	Mr. Julio Arana Executive Director 305-995-2513	Reviews nominations and selects Office Employee of the Year.	Membership includes M-DCPS District school site personnel and representatives from United Teachers of Dade (UTD) and the reigning Office Employee of the Year. Members: Varies Yearly Terms: Assigned Yearly
Paraprofessional/ School Support Employee of the Year (PARA)	Office of Human Capital Management/ Support Personnel Staffing	Mr. Julio Arana Executive Director 305-995-2513	Reviews nominations and selects Paraprofessional/ School Support Employee of the Year.	Membership includes M-DCPS District personnel (teachers, administrators, paraprofessionals and/or school support personnel) and a citizen from a community support group. Members: Varies Yearly Terms: Assigned Yearly

AD HOC TASK FORCES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Principal of the Year (POY)	Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Family, and Community Engagement	Ms. Lisa Thurber Administrative Director 305-995-1767 Mr. Vincent Dawkins Director 305-995-2753	Reviews nominations and selects Principal of the Year.	Eleven members: Reigning Principal of the Year or the runner-up; up to three (3) appointments by the president of UTD; two (2) District staff appointed by the Superintendent; two (2) appointments by DASA; and one (1) appointment from each of the following: Miami-Dade County Council PTA/PTSA, the Family and Community Involvement Advisory Committee, and the event sponsor. One (1) non-voting staff liaison from Office of Community Engagement.
Rookie Teacher of the Year	Office of School Leadership and Performance	Dr. Reginald Johnson Administrative Director 305-995-1184	Reviews nominations and selects Rookie Teacher of the Year	Membership includes district and school-site administrators as well as representatives of United Teachers of Dade (UTD).

AD HOC TASK FORCES				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
School Calendar Ad Hoc Committee	Office of School Leadership and Performance / Athletics, Activities and Accreditation	Ms. Tracie N. Abner Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1857 Mr. Ronald G. Redmon Administrative Director 305-275-3715	Reviews and develops annually all school calendars, e.g., Elementary and Secondary, Adult/Vocational Education and Juvenile Justice for submission and approval by the School Board.	Ten (10) M-DCPS members are appointed annually by the Superintendent, and ten (10) UTD members are appointed by the UTD President. Term is from October to June.
Teacher of the Year (TOY)	Office of Human Capital Management	Dr. Kim Davis Administrative Director 305-995-7421	Reviews nominations and selects Teacher of the Year.	Membership includes M-DCPS district and school-site administrators, United Teachers of Dade (UTD) representatives, parents, and business representatives. Members: Varies Yearly Terms: Assigned Yearly

INDEPENDENT ADVISORY PANELS				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Booster Clubs (Support athletic team, bands, and choral groups, etc. in schools)	Office of School Leadership and Performance / Athletics, Activities/ and Accreditation	Ms. Tracie N. Abner Assistant Superintendent 305-995-1857 Mr. Ronald G. Redmon Administrative Director 305-275-3715	A Booster Club is a “school-allied organization” that is authorized by the school principal, formed for the purpose of promoting the welfare of the school and/or its students. It comprises mainly parents/guardians and/or other interested adult community members, who join an organization to enhance and support a school program, activity, or athletic team through fundraising activities and services.	Mainly lay citizens, many of whom are parents of participants in the activities or sports, along with students, teachers, and school-site administrators. See School Board Policy 9211 for more information.

INDEPENDENT ADVISORY PANELS				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Ethics Advisory Committee	General Counsel	Mr. Walter J. Harvey General Counsel 305-995-1304	Promote the public trust, by among other things, educating the public, candidates for election to the School Board, Members of The Board and employees of Miami-Dade County Public Schools as to the required standards of ethical conduct, clarifying those standards of conduct and recommending changes to the various rules and regulations, which set forth the governing standards of ethical conduct.	<p>Seven members are appointed as follows: one (1) former Federal judge, former U.S. magistrate, or former State court judge and one (1) former U.S. or State Attorney or former U.S. or State Assistant Attorney appointed by the Chief Judge of the 11th Judicial Circuit of Florida; one (1) qualified faculty member appointed, on a rotating basis, by the deans of the School of Education at the University of Miami, St. Thomas University, Barry University, and Florida International University; one (1) qualified faculty member appointed, on a rotating basis, by the presidents of the University of Miami, St. Thomas University, Barry University, and Florida International University; one (1) parent who has or had a child in a district school appointed by the Miami-Dade County Council of PTAs/PTSAs; one (1) member from the business community appointed by the chair of the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce; and one (1) retired public school employee appointed by the director of the Center for Labor Studies at Florida International University.</p> <p>See School Board Policy 0158 for more information.</p>

INDEPENDENT BUSINESS/CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Miami-Dade Coalition for Community Education	School Leadership and Performance/ Community Education and Before/After School Programs	Dr. Linda Amica-Roberts Administrative Director 305-995-1945 Ms. Ana Herrera Coalition Chair 305-868-7727	Encourages and supports the expansion of community education through programs and initiatives that address the diverse academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of our local population.	Board of Trustees consisting of active and retired District and school administrators, members of Miami-Dade County Council of PTAs/PTSAs, PTA advocates, and interested community members.
Miami National College Fair	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Division of Student Services	Ms. Martha Z. Harris Administrative Director 305-816-0436	Coordinates planning and implementation of a National College Fair.	Thirty (30) members: One (1) School Board Member, one (1) District Administrator, and 28 members representing local universities and colleges, private schools, community groups, and M-DCPS. The participants serve on a year-to-year basis.

INDEPENDENT BUSINESS/CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Miami-Dade County Council of PTAs/PTSAs	Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Family, and Community Engagement	<div>Ms. Lisa Thurber Administrative Director 305-995-1767</div> <div>Ms. Ines Meras District Director 305-995-1828</div>	Promotes the welfare of students in Miami-Dade County Public Schools through specific projects.	<p>Executive Board consists of twelve (12) members, which include President, Vice President of Advocacy & Legislation, Vice President of Education, Vice President for Local Regional & Local units, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Parliamentarian, and a representative for each region. Local units membership size and makeup varies; includes parents, teachers, school-site administrators, students, and interested community members.</p> <p>All members serve for two-year terms corresponding to the school year.</p>
Citizens' Coalition for Public Schools	Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Family, and Community Engagement	Ms. Tabitha G. Fazzino Chief Intergovernmental Affairs, Family, and Community Engagement Officer 305-995-1206	Assists in the annual legislative effort to obtain adequate funding.	<p>Approximately 31 persons, mostly lay citizens, representing various organizations.</p> <p>Members of this group pay dues to be members and are not appointed by The School Board of Miami-Dade County.</p>

INDEPENDENT BUSINESS/CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
Friends of WLRN, Inc.	Media Programs	Mr. Andrew Ruiz WLRN Management Liaison 305-995-4502	Develops broader public awareness of WLRN-TV and WLRN-FM, and provides fundraising support for the stations.	About 18,000 members, mostly lay citizens.

DIRECT-SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
The Education Fund	Financial Services	Mr. Ron Y. Steiger Chief Financial Officer 305-995-1958 Ms. Linda Lecht President The Education Fund 305-892-5099 x13	Provides mini-grants to teachers and principals; maintains a warehouse of donated educational materials and supplies for teachers; implements other initiatives to bring private sector support to public education.	Twenty-one (21) members, selected by its own governing board. This is an independent Foundation board. The board members to this board are NOT appointed by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida. Members are asked to serve by the Board of this foundation. A School Board member does participate as a member, as does the Superintendent.
Magnet Educational Choice Association, Inc. (MECA)	Office of Academics and Transformation/ Division of Academics	Ms. Melba Brito Administrative Director 305-995-1838 Ms. Debra Simmons MECA Staff 305-995-2760	Supports academic achievement and career readiness by promoting business/education partnerships, establishing and sponsoring special projects, and coordinating fundraising activities that enhance the magnet experience.	Up to 20 board members, including a four-member executive board, comprised of community business leaders with backgrounds and interests representing various magnet themes. Terms correspond to school year.

DIRECT-SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS				
Name	Bureau/Office	Staff Contact/Liaison	Mission	Membership
The Foundation for New Education Initiatives, Inc.	Financial Services	<p>Mr. Ron Y. Steiger Chief Financial Officer 305-995-1958</p> <p>The Foundation for New Education Initiatives, Inc. 305-995-7317</p>	Enhances student achievement and community engagement in support of The Parent Academy and other educational initiatives of Miami-Dade County Public Schools.	<p>The Chair of the School Board of M-DCPS; the Superintendent; the President of Miami-Dade County Council of PTAs/PTSAs; a business/civic member and donor to The Parent Academy; and representatives from arts and culture, the legal profession, and philanthropic organizations.</p> <p>Each Director shall hold office for one year until the next succeeding annual meeting.</p>

SECONDARY CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The Career and Technical Education Advisory Committees promote community, industry, and stakeholder awareness to connect the classroom with the real world, prepare students for post-secondary education, foster innovation, and encourage passion for interdisciplinary learning. Staff members in the Division of Academics serve as the liaisons as outlined below. Each committee is comprised of a minimum of 10 representatives in the industry or occupation. Members serve three-year terms.

Committee	District Representative	Contact Information
Finance (AOF)	Cristina Delgado-Ruiz Robert Quinn	cdelgado@dadeschools.net rquinn@dadeschools.net
Hospitality and Tourism (AOHT)	Donald Cole Julie Kennedy	donalddcole@dadeschools.net Juliekennedy@dadeschools.net
STEM Advisory Board (Engineering, Health Science, and Information Technology) to include Post-Secondary Programs	Angela Darling-Miller / Pamela Lopez-AOE Magaly Parets, AOHS Sonia Samaroo-AOIT	amiller3@dadeschools.net samaroos@dadeschools.net pamelalopez@dadeschools.net MParets@dadeschools.net

POST-SECONDARY CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEES

To ensure programmatic offerings best align with local workforce needs and to facilitate and meet Council on Occupational Education accreditation requirements, post-secondary Title IV eligible institutions must convene occupational advisory committee meetings for each post-secondary technical program offered at each of the District’s technical colleges and specialized center. Detailed information regarding the established occupational advisory committees and membership composition is available by contacting each school.

Technical College/Specialized Center*	Address	Phone Number
D.A. Dorsey Technical College	7100 NW 17 Avenue, Miami, FL 33147	305-693-2490
The English Center*	3501 SW 28 Street, Miami, FL 33133	305-445-7731
George T. Baker Aviation Technical College	3275 NW 42 Avenue, Miami, FL 33142	305-871-3143
Lindsey Hopkins Technical College	750 NW 20 Street, Miami, FL 33127	305-324-6070
Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College	5780 NW 158 Street, Miami Lakes, FL 33014	305-557-1100
Robert Morgan Educational Center and Technical College	18180 SW 122 Avenue, Miami, FL 33177	305-253-9920
South Dade Technical College	109 NE 8 Street, Homestead, FL 33030	305-248-5723

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