ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

PRINCIPAL NEWSLETTER JANUARY 11, 2024



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, January 12: Early Dismissal: Professional Development

Monday, January 15: Martin Luther King Jr. Day: No School

Thursday, January 18: Principals' Meeting (St. Theresa, Coral Gables)

Friday, January 19: HS Admissions Letters are sent

Sunday, January 28-Saturday, February 3: Catholic Schools Week

Wednesday, January 31: All Schools Mass (St. Mary's Cathedral)





A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear School Leaders,

The second semester is underway! I know you join in my excitement as we welcome back our students into our schools. January is a very active month, with Catholic Schools Week, High School Admissions Letter, and other events taking place in the coming days. Remember that our next Principals' Meeting will take place on Thursday, Jan. 18 at St. Theresa Catholic School (Coral Gables). It will be good to reconnect as the semester begins.

Enjoy your week!

Sincerely,

Jim Rigg, Ph.D.
Secretary of Education
Superintendent of Catholic Schools
Archdiocese of Miami
ADOM:: Education (miamiarch.org)

ALL SCHOOLS MASS: Please complete the All Schools Mass forms link as soon as possible. This will help facilitate the planning of the mass. https://forms.office.com/r/UZFssVWC6b

COORDINATOR OF CERTIFICATION: I am pleased to inform you that Ms. Danielle Garcia has been hired as the new Coordinator for Certification in the Office of Catholic Schools (OCS). Ms. Garcia will provide vital certification services for our school educators among other duties. You can contact Ms. Garcia through email at Teacher.Certification@theadom.org or via phone at 305-762-1075.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS: CATAPULT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: You can easily request PD through the ADOM link: https://forms.office.com/r/AFKzPtj1el?origin=lprLink

Miami Title I Schools: As a reminder, the Spring ADOM Professional Development Day will be held on April 26, 2024. Please submit your PD Day requests no later than Friday, February 16, 2024, to ensure that all workshops can be scheduled and assigned a presenter.

Broward Title II Schools: Your PD workshops can be funded using your Broward Title II allocation provided the topic aligns with your school needs as outlined in your approved Professional Learning Plan (PLP).

Broward Title I Schools: To schedule PD workshops using Broward Title I funds, you must follow the procedure as outlined below. It's important to note that requests are approved by the district in the order in which they are received.

Broward Title I PD Request Procedure:

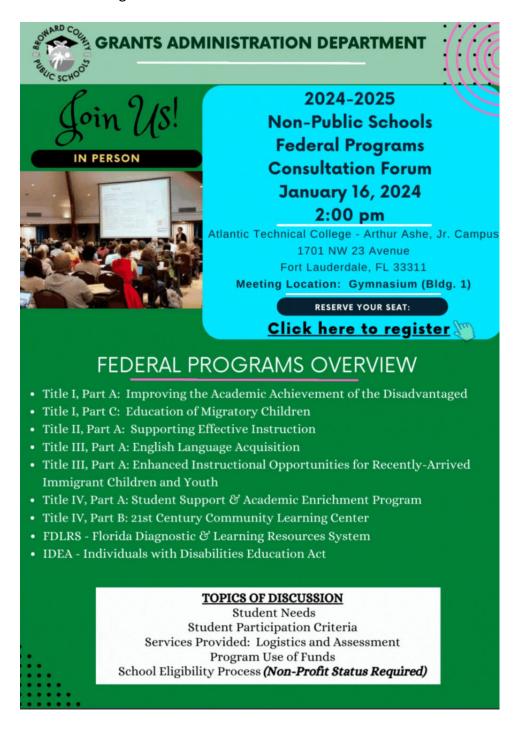
- Use the Title I PSW portal to request your PD, which should be aligned with your Title I Needs Assessment.
- Once your request is received, the district will review it for approval and then select the vendor to provide your service(s).
- If Catapult Learning is selected, I will reach out to confirm the details, assign your PD Specialist, and schedule a ZOOM meeting to discuss your expectations for the workshop to ensure that your teachers' needs are met.

Please submit request(s) by Friday, January 19, 2024.

***Please note: Catapult Learning will offer PDNow and EmpowerU resiliency programming via Title I in Miami Dade.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS (BROWARD): Greetings Non-Public School Administrator(s),

You are cordially invited to Broward County Public Schools (in-person) Non-Public Schools Federal Programs Consultation Forum to learn more about Federal Programs available to your school. You may double-click the registration link on the notice below **or** copy and paste this link https://forms.office.com/r/yDuTyaNiMi in your web browser. Additionally, you may view the enclosed invitation and click the registration icon.



Attention Principals: You must attend or send a representative from your school.

This is a reminder that the Private School Warehouse (PSW) reopened on **Thursday, November 30th, and will remain open until Friday, January 26th**.

This window provides you with the last opportunity to enter any students who have demonstrated an academic need after the issuance of the 1st quarter report cards.

During this period, we encourage you to use the PSW to review and, if necessary, correct any previous referrals that may have been rejected or require additional information.

FLORIDA'S ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT THINKING (FAST) using Star Early Literacy is due soon. All Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Programs must implement the Coordinated Screening and Progress Monitoring Program assessment during PM1, PM2, and PM3. Progress Monitoring Dates and Deadlines are based on each VPK Class Calendar listed on the VPK App. Any VPK Calendar changes will impact the classrooms' Progress Monitoring Dates. For the VPK Class-specific PM dates, please email vpkteam@elcmdm.org

NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT – Remember that tomorrow (Jan. 12) is the deadline to submit the Nonprofit Security Grant. Please see Dr. Rigg's email from last month for more information. All schools are encouraged to apply.

STEP UP RENEWAL GUIDELINES: Step up renewal requirements vary depending on the school's year of application. Full renewal requirements are expected to be every three years. Please see the **attachment** for items requested and possible resources for both a Standard Renewal and Full Renewal.