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SUBJECT: CORONAVIRUS PROTOCOLS AND ACTION PLAN

COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL, STUDENT, SCHOOL & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

LINK TO STRATEGIC BLUEPRINT: INFORMED, ENGAGED AND EMPOWERED STAKEHOLDERS

The rapid spread of coronavirus is very dangerous on many levels. The virus has caused numerous deaths and illnesses in China and has virtually shut down affected areas. Since limited cases have been confirmed in the United States, it is prudent to begin planning now.

A top priority of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) is to protect our students, faculty, and community. Therefore, it is our responsibility to have a thorough preventative action plan to address any suspected or confirmed cases in M-DCPS. A plan must specify what actions need to be taken to minimize transmission of the virus.

This item requests that the Superintendent leads the effort in conducting meetings with various health and government agencies to prepare for potential scenarios dealing with the coronavirus. Some areas the plan should address include:

1. Students that have traveled to areas with confirmed cases;
2. Protocols if a case is confirmed within the District;
3. Protocols to track and review newly registered students arriving from other counties, states and countries with confirmed cases.

This item does not appear in the regularly published agenda. There is good cause to vary from the published agenda, because there is a potential risk of great significance to our students, faculty and community.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the School Board Attorney's office as to form and legal sufficiency.

ACTION PROPOSED BY DR. MARTIN KARP:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent of Schools to have a thorough plan in place to address M-DCPS protocols related to coronavirus.

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