



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

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LETTER TO COMMISSION

To: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

From: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

Date: September 1, 2015

Subject: Dual Enrollment Options Miami Beach Senior High School

The purpose of this Letter to Commission is to provide information on the status of our partnership with Miami-Dade County Public Schools and Florida International University to increase dual enrollment courses at Miami Beach Senior High School.

The chart below provides information on the 100% increase in dual enrollment courses and 200% increase in class sections available to students in the 2015-16 school year following the implementation of the partnership:

School Year	# of Dual Enrollment Courses	# of Class Sections Available	# of Students Participating
Fall 2014	0	0	0
Spring 2015	3	4	104
Fall 2015	2	5	127
Spring 2016	4	7	TBD

The dual enrollment program at Miami Beach Senior High School allows eligible students to enroll in a college course and high school class simultaneously. The credits the students earn are used toward both a high school diploma and are acceptable towards a college Associate or Bachelor degree, or technical certificate. The benefits of offering dual enrollment courses to high school students include:

- Saves students and parents money, as dual enrollment students are exempt from paying application, registration, tuition, laboratory, and special fees if the class(es) taken are being used toward high school graduation
- Enriches the course opportunities for outstanding high school students
- Shortens the time to attain a college degree
- Provides students with college credit that is transferable to a college or university
- Grades earned become part of the students' permanent transcripts

We will continue to support our strategic outcome to achieve K-12 public school excellence through our Education Compact. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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