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Action By: May 1, 2013

TO:

All Middle and High School Principals

FROM:

Cheryl Alligood, Chief Academic Officer CCA

SUBJECT:

FOSTER PARENT RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN

Every month 60 children enter the foster care system in Palm Beach County due to abuse, neglect, and abandonment. They need a safe, temporary foster home during this turbulent time in their young lives. In support of Foster Care Month in May, the School District is launching a Foster Parent Recruitment Campaign.

Please inform employees about the need for more people to open their hearts and their homes to foster a child. For more information, go to www.childnet.us, and www.fapapbc.org. By May 1, 2013, please:

- Display posters which will arrive at your school via Pony.
- Share this bulletin and attached flyer with all school employees.
- Ask your Foster Care School Contacts to advertise recruitment by displaying ChildNet posters and flyers year-round.

Note: ChildNet, Inc. is the lead child welfare agency for Department of Children and Families (DCF). This agency has replaced Child and Family Connections. ChildNet and Children's Home Society both provide case management for students and visits to schools.

The first school that recruits the most District employees who follow through with the next available ChildNet Foster Parent training course will "win". This school will receive the "Friends of Foster Kids" Award, receiving School Board and community recognition. On behalf of the 600 school-aged children in foster care, thank you for helping spread the message.

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Attachment

Approved:

E. Wayne Gent, Superintendent