



The School Board of Broward County, Florida

RESOLUTION

No. 09-20

Resolution in Support of National Incident Management System

WHEREAS, emergency response to critical incidents, whether natural or artificial, requires integrated professional management; and

WHEREAS, unified command of such incidents is recognized as the management model to maximize the public safety response; and

WHEREAS, The National Incident Management System (NIMS) has been identified by the federal government as being the requisite emergency management system for all political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management, it is critical that federal, state, local, and tribal organizations use standardized terminology, standardized organizational structure, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structure, uniform standards for planning, training and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

WHEREAS, not adopting NIMS as the requisite emergency management system may limit a political subdivision's access to reimbursement funding for costs expended during and after a declared emergency or disaster, and for training, and for preparation for disasters or emergencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, to adopt the NIMS concept of emergency planning and unified command.

The School Board of Broward County, Florida, hereby approves and authorizes the formal recognition of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the adoption of the principles of NIMS.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 9th day of September 2008.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Robin Bartleman, Chair

ATTEST: _____
James F. Notter, Superintendent of Schools