



The School Board of Broward County, Florida

RESOLUTION

No. 09-78

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION WEEK
MARCH 23 THROUGH MARCH 27, 2009

WHEREAS, violence and risky behaviors have become a serious problem in our communities and society at large with great implications for the well-being and future of our children; and

WHEREAS, feelings of hurt, frustration, shame, or rejection are key components of bullying and violence escalation; and

WHEREAS, it has been researched and proven that a climate of safety and respect within the home and school is essential for students' academic achievement and overall health; and

WHEREAS, local leaders in government, business, and the community, in collaboration with Broward County School Board personnel, have the ability to work towards the elimination of youth violence and conflict as well the enhancement of inclusive environments conducive to academic success and overall student well-being; and

WHEREAS, Broward County Public Schools, in coordination with numerous national and local partners, has joined to support Youth Violence Prevention Week as an annual week of educational activities aimed at preventing or reducing youth violence of all kinds while providing schools with the tools, resources, and inspiration to launch an ongoing campaign to eliminate youth violence in our society;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida in connection with parent groups, and local, state and national organizations, hereby declares its support of

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and urges all schools, departments, groups, individuals, business partners, parents, and community leaders to join in this effort to create a safer and a more respectful society.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida this 3rd day of March, 2009

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Maureen S. Dinnen, Chair

ATTEST: _____
James F. Notter, Superintendent of Schools