



The School Board of Broward County, Florida

RESOLUTION

No. 10-23

Resolution in Support of Green Schools Committee of the US Green Building Council (USGBC), South Florida Chapter, Broward Branch

WHEREAS, the Green Schools Committee of the United States Green Building Council (USGBC), South Florida Chapter, Broward Branch, has as its goal to provide expertise, leadership, education, and resources for green and sustainable practices in the design, construction, renovation, and operations of all public schools in Broward County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the USGBC is the world leader in establishing standards for green and sustainable practices in the design, construction, renovation, and operations of buildings of all kinds, including schools; and

WHEREAS, The School Board of Broward County, Florida, recognizes the increasing importance of green and sustainable practices in operations, renovations and new construction; and

WHEREAS, The School Board of Broward County, Florida, has adopted a comprehensive *Environmental Strategic Plan*, which document sets forth a vision and plan for The School Board of Broward County, Florida, and its departments in green and sustainable practices; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution #09-73, in support of Green Week, the District has already committed to encouraging its students to be good environmental stewards and to employ sustainable practices in schools; and

WHEREAS, the Green Schools Committee of the USGBC, South Florida Chapter, Broward Branch, offers presentations, seminars, and other educational resources for purposes from raising awareness of environmental issues to meeting technical requirements in renovations and new construction;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, adopts the USGBC Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) rating systems for its performance standards and, further, hereby recognizes the Green Schools Committee of the USGBC, South Florida Chapter, Broward Branch, as a valuable asset upon which it will call for educational resources in green and sustainable practices, and in the design, construction, renovation, and operations of buildings for increasing energy efficiency, improving indoor air quality, marshalling water resources more effectively, obtaining cost savings, while exercising responsible environmental stewardship.

Given at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 1st day of September 2009.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Maureen S. Dinnen, Chair

ATTEST: _____
James F. Notter, Superintendent of Schools