

MEMORANDUM

August 21, 2025

TO: The Honorable Chair and Members of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida

FROM: Dr. Jose L. Dotres, Superintendent of Schools 

SUBJECT: 2025-26 U.S. NEWS BEST HIGH SCHOOLS RANKINGS

U.S. News & World Report recently released its 2025-2026 Best U.S. High Schools rankings. According to the latest rankings, 17 schools in Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) are among the Top 100 Best High Schools in Florida. Additionally, out of 17,901 nationally ranked schools, four M-DCPS high schools were recognized as among the Top 100 Best High Schools in the United States. Attached is the list of schools.

US News ranks high schools based on six criteria: College Readiness (30%), State Assessment Proficiency (20%), State Assessment Performance (20%), Underserved Student Performance (10%), College Curriculum Breadth (10%), and Graduation Rate (10%). A complete description of the ranking methodology is available at <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/articles/how-us-news-calculated-the-rankings>.

A complete listing and ranking can be accessed via the US News and World Report website at <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/rankings-overview>.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Ms. Lourdes Diaz, Chief Academic Officer, Office of Academics and Transformation, at 305 995-1451.

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cc: General Counsel
Chief Auditor
Superintendent's Cabinet

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**2025-2026 U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT BEST HIGH SCHOOLS
TOP 100 RANKINGS**

School	Top 100 in Florida	Top 100 in the Nation
Jose Marti MAST 6-12 Academy	#7	#73
MAST @ FIU Biscayne Bay Campus	#8	#74
Design & Architecture Senior High School	#10	#97
TERRA Environmental Research Institute	#11	#100
Young Women's Preparatory Academy	#13	-
Maritime & Science Technology Academy	#15	-
International Studies Preparatory Academy	#16	-
Medical Academy for Science and Technology	#20	-
iPrep Academy	#24	-
New World School of the Arts	#28	-
Coral Reef Senior High School	#29	-
Miami Arts Studio 6-12 @ Zelda Glazer	#32	-
Barbara Goleman Senior High School	#58	-
Arthur & Polly Mays Conservatory of the Arts	#68	-
BioTECH @ Richmond Heights 9-12 Senior High School	#70	-
Law Enforcement Officers Memorial High School	#76	-
John A. Ferguson Senior High School	#100	-