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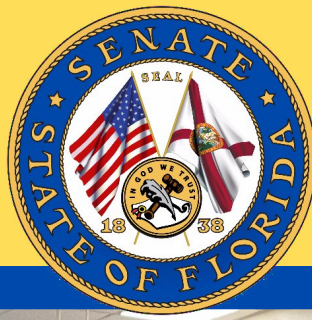
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Finished Regular Session and hit the ground running with two weeks full of exciting events around District 39. Went back to Tallahassee for our Special Session on Gaming and back in Miami ready for more fun!

Check out what Team D39 has been up to these past couple of weeks!

Sincerely,
Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez



Honored to have welcomed Governor Ron DeSantis to West Miami Middle School last week where we signed key legislation to ensure that our children are on the right path to improved literacy. It was a pleasure to have sponsored HB 7011 alongside Representatives Grall and Aloupis.



West Miami Middle School Eco-Tec Magnet

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Gov. Ron DeSantis holds up bills that he signed at West Miami Middle School on Tuesday.

In West Miami, DeSantis signs bills revamping early learning and literacy

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Gov. Ron DeSantis on Tuesday signed into law two pieces of legislation that will reshape Florida's early childhood learning system and create new initiatives to help struggling readers.

DeSantis held a signing ceremony for the two bills: first, in Indian River County, then again at the media center of West Miami

from the Miami-Dade delegation.

HB 419 sets in motion a plan to gradually implement a new pre-K grading system that will measure toddlers' progress by taking into account test scores, learning gains and teacher-child interactions. The measure puts the Florida Department of Education and the Board of Education in charge of 30 regional early learning coalitions and an annual budget of roughly \$1.3 billion.

ability," said DeSantis, who said the state's kindergarten readiness rate was 42% when he took office. "It'll turn the tide for these families and these students."

10 YEARS OF ADVOCACY PAYS OFF

DeSantis then turned the floor over to Rep. Vance Aloupis, a Miami Republican who has been a leading voice on early education policy in the Legislature. Aloupis is the CEO of the Children's Movement of Florida

ability system close to passing that would overhauled the system last year. The effort died Tuesday of the legislature.

"The dirty deal is pre-K that we've had for 10 years is not accountable," Aloupis said, "that the policy approved by the legislature on Tuesday was purely informational."

DeSantis on Tuesday signed into law a measure, HB 419, that will set up a system for monitoring the academic progress of kids from pre-kindergarten through eighth grade.

Tucked in there is also a new initiative designed to help students that need to improve their reading scores.

The measure is part of the Reading Achievement Initiative for Student Excellence (RAISE) program, which will provide literacy support to schools that the Department of Education deems could use more support based on data from statewide standardized English Language Arts assessments and other criteria.

"What these bills do is that legislation will ensure that we have the resources we need to make sure every child is reading at grade level by 2030," DeSantis said.

Under the RAISE program, high school juniors and seniors would have the opportunity to work with students with reading deficiencies in kindergarten through third grade, in exchange for community service hours.

DeSantis on Tuesday touted the two





Grateful to the Airmen at the Homestead Reserve Base for taking the time to offer me a tour of the Base this past week.



District Updates & Events



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MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE

SAVE THE DATE
OPEN RECRUITMENT MAY 24 - JUNE 20, 2021



A FRIENDLY REMINDER

**TAX DEADLINE HAS BEEN
EXTENDED. TAXES ARE
NOW DUE ON 5/17/2021**



Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez



FLORIDA SENATOR
Ana Maria Rodriguez
CONFIRMED SPEAKER

MIAMI, FLORIDA.
JUNE 5TH.
SHE'S SPEAKING.



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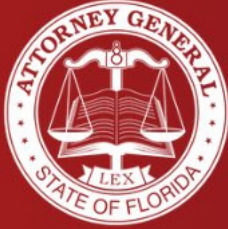
Tickets: ACC-rally.eventbrite.com



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For tickets visit:

www.acc-rally.eventbrite.com



The Attorney General's Price Gouging Hotline is Activated

(866) 966-7226



Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher

FAQs

AM I ELIGIBLE?

Everyone is eligible to submit Information Submission Form for the HCV waiting list, but only 3,000 submissions will be selected, subject to income qualifications.

WHEN WILL APPLICATIONS BE ACCEPTED?

The online process will begin at 12:00 p.m. on **May 13, 2021** and end at 11:59 p.m. on **May 27, 2021**.

WHEN WILL I KNOW IF I WAS RANDOMLY SELECTED?

PHCD will select submissions to be placed on the waiting list through an electronic computer based drawing and random selection process. The applicants will be placed on the waiting list in order of the assigned numbers. Those who submit Information Submission Forms will be able to check their status through the Information Submission Form portal. The Information Submission Portal will display your ranking if you have been selected for the waiting list. If you do not find your ranking this means that you were not selected.

WHAT INFORMATION IS NEEDED?

Applicants need to include their full legal name, social security number (if applicable), date of birth, annual income from all sources (before taxes or deductions), and contact information for the person who will assist with completing future paperwork.

HOW DO I SUBMIT MY INFORMATION SUBMISSION FORM?

Starting Thursday, May 13, 2021, the applications will be available on-line at: miamidadevoucher.myhousing.com. You may pick-up a form and drop-off the completed form from 9:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and on Saturdays from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the following library locations:

Main Library Downtown
101 West Flagler Street
Miami, FL 33130

North Dade Regional
2455 NW 183rd Street
Miami Gardens, FL 33056

Westchester Regional
9445 Coral Way
Miami, FL 33165

South Dade Regional
10750 SW 211 Street
Cutler Bay, FL 33189

For additional information, contact PHCD at (786) 654-8440.