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
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ACTION BY:
October 28, 2011

TO: Elementary School Principals

FROM: Judith Klinek 
Chief Academic Officer

SUBJECT: *BELIEVING THE COLLEGE DREAM TRAINING*

In support of the School District's goal to graduate all students college-and/or career-ready, the Department of Safe Schools, in collaboration with the Educational Credit Management Corporation (ECMC) Foundation, is sponsoring a one-day training on the *Believing the College Dream* college readiness curriculum.

Believing the College Dream was developed by the University of California, Berkley for the ECMC Foundation through a Federal grant. It supports teachers, counselors and community-based organizations in their work to increase the expectations of attending college by prospective low-income, first-generation college students in 4th - 8th grades.

This curriculum helps 4th -8th grade students and their families by:

- *showing students and families that going to college is within their grasp;*
- *helping students to believe in themselves and their ability to succeed in school;*
- *teaching students how to identify people they can trust to support their journey in education;*
and,
- *providing tools, information and the college-bound attitude families need to support their children.*

Please share this information with your Guidance Counselors and encourage their attendance.

Training Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2011
Time: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Location: Safe Schools Institute

Participants should register online no later than Friday, October 28, 2011 through Course Registration on the District's main website: <http://coursereregistration.palmbeach.k12.fl.us/>.

Community partners interested in attending may register through the following link: <http://safeschools.palmbeach.k12.fl.us/collegedream>.

The *Believing the College Dream* curriculum can be downloaded from the ECMC Foundation Web site at: <http://www.ecmcfoundation.org>.

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Approved: 
William F. Malone, Superintendent

cc: Elementary School Guidance Counselors
Graduation Coaches