THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

James F. Notter Superintendent of Schools

Signatures on File

August 20, 2007

TO: School Board Members

FROM: Katherine Blasik, Ph.D., Associate Superintendent Research, Evaluation, Assessment & Boundaries

VIA: James F. Notter Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: 2007-08 FIRST DAY HEAD COUNTS

First day student enrollment decreased by 5,192 (2.17%) this year to 233,912 students. The student enrollment count includes all students who were in attendance at all schools, including charters and centers. Broward Virtual Middle and High School, as well as all schools implementing a year round schedule, will be included in the tenth day enrollment count.

The enrollment increases this year were evidenced only at PreK, center and charter schools. PreK increased by 154 (4.87%) students, centers increased by 196 (8.67%) students, followed by the charter schools with an increase of 598 (4.00%) students. Enrollment in elementary, middle, and high schools decreased. The table below depicts the number of students in attendance on the first day of school for the last three consecutive years.

First Day Head Counts by School Level							
Year	PreK	Elementary	Middle	High	Centers	Charters	Total
2005-06	3,539	108,506	52,531	65,559	2,178	14,047	246,360
2006-07	3,162	102,408	51,308	65,002	2,261	14,963	239,104
2007-08	3,316	100,610	48,510	63,458	2,457	15,561	233,912

Attached to this memorandum is the first day count for each school and center by area and grade level for the 2007-08 school year. The data supplied is not yet disaggregated for ethnicity, Limited English Proficiency (LEP), Exceptional Student Education (ESE), and Free and Reduced Lunch (FRL) curricula.

The enrollment at the first day of school for 2006-07 was equal to 91.0 percent of the enrollment at the twentieth day. This year with an enrollment projection of 259,604, the first day enrollment is 90.1 percent of the projected twentieth day count.

If you need additional information please contact me at 754-321-2471 or Jill Young, Director, School Boundaries at 754-321-2480.

JFN/KB/JY:ps Attachment

cc: Executive Leadership Team Principals