District Officers Are Impacting Students

Students across the District are building relationships with the officers there to protect them. A recent event at Everglades Elementary is proof of that. More than 70 students chose to redeem their “Panther Paws” to eat with their on-campus officer Steve Wunderlich.

School Police Training - Commitment to Excellence

The Palm Beach County School Police Department uses the summer to brush up on training. Officers receive 160 hours of training, which includes active shooter drills.

School Police Adds Two Assistant Chiefs

Regina Price and Dennis Weiner will report directly to School Police Chief Frank Kitzerow.

Referendum Helps Attract Teachers to Job Fair

Teaching candidates interviewed for new jobs inside the Palm Beach County School District at the Teach Palm Beach Job Fair. The benefit of the annual event was having teaching vacancies filled by highly-qualified candidates.

Additional Mental Health Support Available, Thanks to Federal and Referendum Funds

The Mental Health First Aid program will augment the more than $50 million being dedicated to enhancing mental health programs within the District, funds resulting from the 2018 voter-approved referendum.

The residents of Palm Beach County overwhelmingly approved a referendum increasing the additional operating millage to 1.0 mill in November 2018, generating $203 million for District-operated schools in FY20.

This referendum was approved by voters on Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Every dollar collected and spent will be overseen by an Independent Referendum Oversight Committee (IROC) of citizens and experts.

To fund 1 Mental Health position per school, 40 additional School Psychologists and 16 Extra Duty Days to provide support over the summer; a minimum of 3 School Counselors per middle school; and Expand Mental Health Contracted Services.

An investment of approximately $20 million to add approximately 110 officers (school police officers, detectives, E911 trainers, and sergeants), support staff, computer hardware, software, vehicles, equipment and supplies; fund 36 School Police Aides and add 4 new Police Aides to extend coverage; Continue to fund 55 School Security Monitors; Increase security allocation for various secondary school events.