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Dear Miami-Dade County Public Schools Parent:

In the wake of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School tragedy, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) has conducted a comprehensive review of school safety and security protocols. While we are confident that our schools are among the safest in the nation, making enhancements to protect our students and employees is always a prudent course of action.

With this in mind, security procedures at our school has been amplified, and new procedures will be implemented beginning this week. Staff will be <u>required</u> to wear their school- or district-issued identification at all times while on campus during school hours. Parents will also be required to present proper identification for access to schools throughout the day. As a reminder, any parent that wishes to volunteer at a school must be pre-approved. In addition, we will limit the number of entry points on campus

Finally, Amelia Earhart Elementary will have the following additional procedures in place. Parents may drop off students at the main entrance of the building.

- All visitors who wish to enter campus must produce picture identification.
- Parents that are dropping off students in the self-contained units may enter the building through the rear entrance and must present picture identification to enter campus.
- Any students that arrive after 8:35 am, must enter through the main entrance of the building. If students are accompanied by an adult, proper picture identification must be presented at security desk.
- During the hours of 8:35am until 3:05pm the campus may be accessed through the main entrance.
- Parents who have students in the self-contained units (Pre-K through first grade) may enter the building through the rear entrance at 1:50 pm with proper picture identification.

We appreciate your patience and support as we implement new safety measures to strengthen security at schools and ensure that our students and staff are safeguarded while on school grounds.

Sincerely,

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