

# WORKFORCE WIRE



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## HOT OFF THE WIRE

Welcome, June! It's the time of year when we trade in spring showers for longer days and plenty of sunshine. It is hard to believe that another school year is coming to an end. Your hard work and dedication are remarkable and have played a key role in the success of our students. May this summer season be a time of fun and great joy with those you love the most. Enjoy. You deserve it!

## iLead

"iLead by exemplifying actions based on what is right, not what is easy. Students' best interests should be at the heart of every decision, and it is the consistent application of these practices that ultimately yields success for all of us."

— Tiffanie Pauline  
Assistant Superintendent  
Charter School Compliance & Support

## BODY & MIND

Hate not being in control? Relieve this burden by planning a small section of your day or week. Meal prepping or selecting work outfits for the week ahead provides us with a sense of control that can ease the anxiety of facing irregular schedules.



- June is Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender **Pride Month**.
- Class of 2022 **graduation ceremonies** will take place May 31-June 8. Click [here](#) to see the schedule.
- A new housing program for Florida residents has been launched. Click [here](#) for more information.



## Above & Beyond

Lois Kaplan Seaman is a Language Arts teacher and Verizon Innovative Learning Lab teacher/mentor at Hammocks Middle. During her nearly 40 years of service, Ms. Seaman has served as a Peer Coach to new teachers, Schoolology Manager, Gifted Chair, and offers Professional Development during her personal time. An indispensable team member, Ms. Seaman knows there is always something to do, to support, or to learn.

## To New, Full-Time Hobbyists!

This June, M-DCPS bids farewell to exceptional employees who are entering retirement and recognizes six retirees for their years of service and dedication to the children and families of Miami-Dade. Congratulations on your retirement! We hope all of our retirees enjoy their full-time leisurely pursuits!

**Colleen Clark**  
**Sylvia Crespo**  
**Anita Martin**

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS  
ESE CURRICULUM SUPPORT SPECIALIST  
GRADE 3

40 years  
41 years  
41 years



**Robin Morrison**  
DISTRICT DIRECTOR,  
ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION  
42 years

Ms. Morrison joined M-DCPS in 1979 as a special education (SPED) teacher. Having served six schools for more than 10 years, she later joined Mental Health Services and has served as an administrator for the past 26 years.



**William Barron**  
PHYSICAL EDUCATION  
44 years

Mr. Barron first joined M-DCPS in 1975, teaching both physical education (PE) and SPED at five elementary and middle schools. Since rejoining the District in 1982, he has been teaching PE at the same school for the past 40 years.



**Adriana Delgado**  
PRE-K  
44 years

Ms. Delgado began her career at M-DCPS in 1975 as a paraprofessional. Though she explored other opportunities, she always returned to serve in our classrooms. She has taught K, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and has been teaching Pre-K for the past 20 years.



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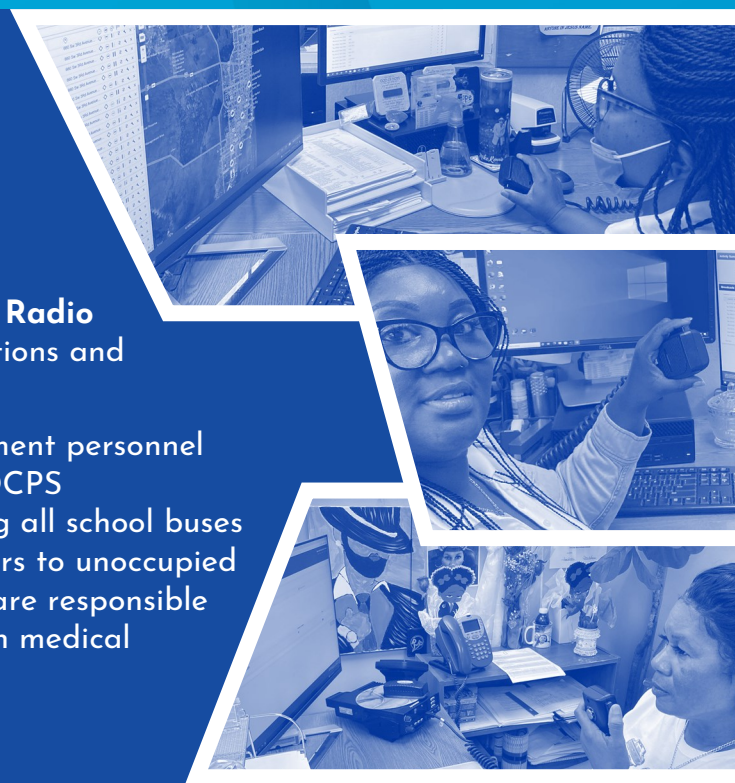
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## Unsung Heroes

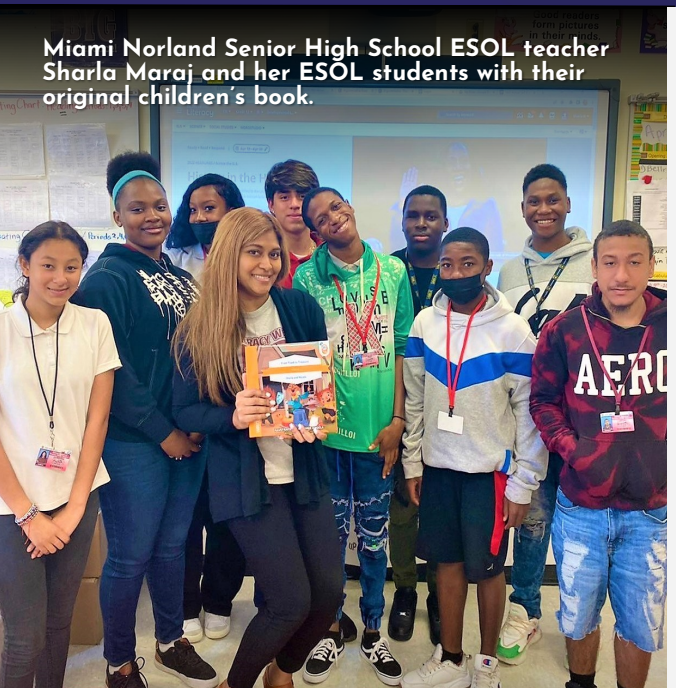
District shoutouts this school year would not be complete without a spotlight on our unsung heroes, **Transportation Radio Dispatchers**, who support our school district's daily operations and transportation needs year-round.

Dispatchers keep all school bus drivers, aides and department personnel updated on routes and student information for seven M-DCPS transportation centers, maintaining daily logs and tracking all school buses in real time, as well as assigning stand-by school bus drivers to unoccupied routes and keeping parents updated on bus delays. They are responsible for all school bus emergency communications and dispatch medical assistance to accident sites as needed.

**Thank you, Dispatchers, for all that you do!**



Miami Norland Senior High School ESOL teacher Sharla Maraj and her ESOL students with their original children's book.



## Write One Give One

This year, teachers of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) took on the **Write One Give One** project, which aims to accelerate language acquisition and enhance literacy through creative writing. ESOL teachers underwent Professional Development to experience the book authoring process themselves. Across the district, they have developed student authors and empowered their students to become leaders whose **published children's books** continue to be shared with the community. Click [here](#) to read more.

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