

## Project Abstract

The School District of Palm Beach County, Florida, proposes to implement a three-year Magnet Schools Assistance Program (MSAP) grant project designed to offer five new magnet schools of choice to students and families in Palm Beach County. The five targeted schools are proposed to be converted into school-wide magnet programs offering a high caliber, student interest-driven, rigorous curriculum that will raise the academic achievement at each school site.

PROPOSED MAGNET SCHOOLS	TOTAL # OF ANTICIPATED STUDENTS	MAGNET SCHOOL THEME
<b>Palmetto Elementary</b> (Grades K-5)	986	<b>STEM-Infused IB/PYP - International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme</b>
<b>Grove Park Elementary</b> (Grades K-5)	1,162	<b>STEM-Infused IB/PYP - International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme</b>
<b>Howell L. Watkins Middle</b> (Grades 6-8)	1,771	<b>STEM-Infused IB/MYP - International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme</b>
<b>Carver Middle</b> (Grades 6-8)	1,871	<b>STEM-Infused IB/MYP - International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme</b>
<b>Congress Middle</b> (Grades 6 – 8)	1,883	<b>STEAM Academy - Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics</b>

The goals and objectives for this MSAP grant proposal are to reduce minority group isolation and increase socioeconomic integration, to promote systemic reform efforts that are aligned with challenging state content standards and student performance standards, to develop and design innovative educational methods and practices that will promote diversity, to strengthen student knowledge of academic subjects and skills needed to be successful, to implement a professional development plan to enhance and sustain high performance, and to provide equitable access to high quality educational programs that will enable students to succeed academically.