



Town of Miami Lakes Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Honorable Councilmembers
From: Councilmember Carlos Alvarez
Subject: Pop-Up Academic Centers
Date: August 18, 2020

Recommendation:

This item requires the waiver of Section 7.2 of the Special Rules of Order

I respectfully request for the Town Mayor and councilmembers to support my new business item in giving the Town Manager direction to explore the opportunities to provide academic support to the students in the Town of Miami Lakes in various multipurpose rooms like Mary Collins Community Center, Youth Center, Robert Alonso Community Center and the Miami Lakes Optimist Clubhouse during school hours.

I am requesting for there to be a limited capacity in order to adhere to CDC guidelines. These pop-up centers will serve as academic pods for students in Miami Lakes and be provided academic support during their transition into virtual learning and/or remote live instruction during school hours this academic year.

This innovative approach to education will reverse the harmful learning loss our community has experienced as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This option provides a place for students to go to attend their perspective remote learning /online classes with in-person support in a classroom setting. Students can also receive enrichment and extracurricular activities during the school day. Need-based scholarships are available.

Now more than ever, our families need support and assurance that their children are being more than just supervised.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding Source for Implementation:

Timeline for Implementation:

Guiding Principles: 1, 2, 14

Objectives: 2, 6