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Dear Community Leader:

Please consider becoming a volunteer speaker for Ethical Governance Day 2017! This is the sixth consecutive year for this event, which will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2017.

The Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust, working with the Miami-Dade County Public Schools, will again place hundreds of civic leaders into Miami-Dade high school classrooms to address students on the importance of civic participation and engagement as a means of promoting more ethical government at all levels.

Once again, we are calling upon public officials, attorneys, and community leaders with civic involvement or government experience to join in this countywide event by sharing their knowledge and personal insights with the next generation of voters.

You may consider volunteering for the entire day or for any portion of the day between 7:30 AM and 2:30 PM on October 19. We will place you in one or more 12<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms where you will be a guest speaker. You may indicate a school preference, which we will accommodate wherever possible. Suggested talking points will also be provided prior to the event, but speakers are encouraged to draw upon their own stories and backgrounds in their presentations in order to connect with the students.

This is a worthwhile, non-partisan project which will provide you with an opportunity to help improve the civic life of our community. This year we are hoping to emphasize the importance of respecting the right of every individual to engage in civil dialogue on important public issues.

If you are interested in participating in Ethical Governance Day, please fill out the attached form and return it via email to Rodzandra Sanchez ([RODZAND@miamidade.gov](mailto:RODZAND@miamidade.gov)). You may also fax it to us at 305-579-0273. If you have any questions about the program, please call 305-579-2594 to speak with a Commission staff member. We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Centorino  
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