

**2011-2012
SLDC Courses**

Course Title: Student Leadership Development Corps. Research and Critical Thinking

Course Number: 1700100

Credit: N/A

Grade Level : 6-8

Course Description

The mission of The Broward Student Leadership Development Corps (SLDC) is to produce better-informed middle school students whose focus is on preparing for their next educational challenge. SLDC's spiraling three year curriculum enhances classroom learning, participation in extracurricular and social development activities, and developing a healthy lifestyle. A key goal of SLDC is to improve student achievement across the curriculum and to insure that student's transition seamlessly from middle school to high school while developing a focus toward post secondary life.

The course includes development of basic leadership skills to include leadership principles, values, and attributes. Students are encouraged to master appreciation for diversity. Active learning strategies are integrated throughout the course. Physical fitness, Basic first aid measures, diet, nutrition, healthy lifestyles, and awareness of substance abuse and prevention are included. Also included is a study of the U.S. Constitution, Bill of Rights, responsibilities of U.S. citizens, and the federal justice system.

The course includes co-curricular activities and programs which compete at the district level in Color Guard, Drill and Ceremony, and athletics. SLDC students also participate in the Superintendents Junior Guard, a collection of cadets of the quarter (four quarters per school year) as well as the Student Cadet of the Year competition. Mentorship from high school JROTC program cadets (especially from the high school which individual middle schools feed) is encouraged to assist with the transition from middle to high school.

General Course Information:

	YES	NO	Other
Core Course Requirement		X	
Course Level 1=below grade level, 2= at grade level, 3= above grade level			2
Receives High School Credit		X	
Advance Course		X	