# SINGLE GENDER PROGRAMS

## WHAT ELSE IS NEW FOR 2008-2009?

- Senate Bill 242 Single Gender Programs Approved by the Florida Legislation, May 2008
- Authorizes a school district to provide a single gender class, extracurricular activity or school provided it provides substantially the same program for the other gender as well as for a coeducational grouping.
- **É** Effective July 1, 2008
- ▲ A committee will be reviewing the language in the approved Senate Bill to determine how it will be applied in Broward County Public Schools. Current research, legal briefs and best practices will be used to develop recommendations and guidelines for potential application in Broward County Public Schools. The single gender programs review committee will be comprised of district staff, area staff, principals, assistant principals as well as representation from the guidance department, school psychologists, reading and mathematics departments.

## WHAT YOU NEED TO DO?

- Be on the look out for draft recommendations to review that will be emailed out through the Principal Executive Boards by level.
- ✓ Volunteer to serve on the committee by emailing Leslie Brown, Executive Director, Educational Programs. Many of the meetings will be by conference calls for school based staff convenience.

#### WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DON'T?

No opportunity for input.

#### WHO NEEDS TO KNOW?

Any staff members that may be interested in single gender classes/programs and serving on a committee to develop recommendations and guidelines.

#### HOW WILL YOU COMMUNICATE FOLLOW-UP?

Via email as needed.

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