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Alberto Carvalho Selected as Florida's 2014 Superintendent of the Year

Tallahassee, FL – Miami-Dade County School District Superintendent Alberto Carvalho was selected as Florida's 2014 Superintendent of the Year by the Florida Association of District School Superintendents (FADSS). Carvalho was formally recognized in Tampa during the joint meeting of FADSS and the Florida School Boards Association.

Carvalho was appointed Superintendent of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) in September 2008 and is now entering his sixth year leading the fourth largest school district in the nation. M-DCPS is comprised of 392 schools, 345,000 students and over 40,000 employees. A truly global community, M-DPS students speak 56 different languages and represent 160 countries.

"Those who choose the path as a public school superintendent do so not for the glory but rather the opportunity to make a positive difference in children's lives, and Superintendent Carvalho has certainly proved this time and again as he has diligently worked to raise the educational bar for Miami-Dade County Public Schools," states FADSS Chief Executive Officer and Florida Senator Bill Montford. "Alberto's background and path to the role of superintendent is grounded in first-hand experience as a teacher and administrator with a true passion and dedication to always make child-centered decisions that always put the best interests of students first," adds Montford.

"Alberto is not only an exceptional superintendent with a proven track record of success; he is a true servant leader committed to educational excellence and he is truly deserving of this award," adds FADSS President and Highlands County Superintendent Wally Cox.

The process for electing Florida's Superintendent of the Year was established by the American Association of School Administrators (AASA), a national organization of school superintendents and other educational leaders. In February 2013, Shirley will represent all Florida superintendents at the AASA's National Education Conference in Los Angeles, California where he will be recognized and honored for his public education service in Florida.

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Photo caption (l to r): *Florida Association of District School Superintendents (FADSS) President Wally Cox and FADSS CEO Bill Montford (right) present the 2014 Superintendent of the Year Award to Miami-Dade County Public Schools Superintendent Alberto Carvalho (center).*

The mission of the Florida Association of District School Superintendents is to assist and support superintendents in providing leadership to ensure that every student in Florida acquires the skills, knowledge and attitude to be contributing members of our democratic society through leadership development programs focused on student achievement, building relationships with business and governmental leaders, and communication and networking services.