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MEDIA ADVISORY

<u>STUDENTS WHO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY</u> <u>TO BE HONORED BY THE FAIR</u>

- **WHO:** Miami-Dade County Fair, a not-for-profit organization.
- WHAT: Exemplary leadership and commitment to the community, The Fair searched far and wide for students who selflessly gave of their time and energy for the betterment of others and will induct two outstanding Miami-Dade County students into the Walter B. Arnold Jr. Youth Hall of Fame at an induction ceremony at the fairgrounds.

The Walter B. Arnold Jr. Youth Hall of Fame was named after Walter B. Arnold Jr., also known as "Mr. Youth Fair," and is credited for taking a small fair in Miami and turning it into the Miami-Dade County Fair, one of the largest and most successful fairs in the nation.

The Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition Inc. will be celebrating its 58th year beginning March 26th to April 12th. Ranked the largest fair in Florida, The Fair is an 18-day event which includes rides, games, food and live entertainment. Close to 50,000 student and adult exhibits are showcased during The Fair.

- WHERE:Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition, Inc.
Coral Way (S.W. 24th Street) and 112th Avenue in SW Miami.
- **WHEN:** Thursday, March 5, 2009 6:00 p.m.
- WHY: The Miami-Dade County Fair has donated more than \$8 Million in scholarships, awards and premiums to students in the community. The mission of The Fair is to reward and recognize outstanding youth achievement. The Walter B. Arnold Jr. Youth Hall of Fame is one of many Fair sponsored events that are funded by The Miami-Dade County Fair.