

# Disability Awareness Calendar

# September 2011



## ADHD Month & Deaf Awareness Week

### FDLRS-South Welcomes You Back-to-School

Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System-South (FDLRS-S) would like to welcome you back to school. FDLRS-South operates through Miami-Dade County Public Schools, Division of Special Education and services Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties. We provide four main functions which include the following: Child Find, Human Resources Development, Parent Services, and Technology. Our services are available to all teachers and support staff, universities, community agencies, private schools, parents and others involved in the education of exceptional students. Simply contact FDLRS-South for further information and begin taking advantage of the services and materials available to you and the exceptional children you serve.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
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### What is ADHD?

Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) is defined as a pattern of behaviors in which a child shows, usually before the age of 7, developmentally inappropriate levels of inattention, impulsivity, or hyperactivity. It is the most common mental health problem of childhood, affecting 3% to 5% of the population, and is considerably more common in boys than in girls. The behavior of children with ADHD often results in serious disturbances in their relationships with parents, teachers, peers, and siblings, as well as academic problems. For more information about ADHD, see "**What Parents and Teachers Should Know About ADHD**". This information is provided by the FIU Center for Children and Families. Please visit their website to learn more and gain access to valuable resources.  
<http://casgroup.fiu.edu/CCF/index.php>

### Deaf Awareness Week September 18-24

Did you know that Audiological evaluations for any PK-12 student in Miami-Dade who has failed a hearing screening or for students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing are available at the FDLRS-S building? Our facility has complete diagnostic equipment and certified audiologists on staff. If you know of a student who would benefit from this service, please call 305-274-3501 x 114.

### Free SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL) Classes Begin September 6th, 2011

This class is designed for families with a family member who is Deaf/Hard-of-Hearing. Families will learn how to communicate using basic sign language vocabulary. Children can attend and participate with their parent (s). Childcare is not provided. Instructor: John Paul Jebian [jjebian@dadeschools.net](mailto:jjebian@dadeschools.net) Tuesdays 6– 8 p.m. Sept. 6 – Dec. 13, 2011  
Location: FDLRS-South 5555 SW 93 Avenue Miami, FL 33165

If you suspect that your child, or a child you know, may have a delay or disability please call:  
Child Find at FDLRS-South  
Main Office: 305.274.3501 North Satellite Center: 305.754.4081  
<http://fdlrs-south.dadeschools.net>

The intent of this calendar is to promote disability awareness. We are aware that all disabilities may not be represented. If you have any questions or comments please contact Katherine Suarez Espinosa, Ed.S 305-274-3501 or [ksuarez@dadeschools.net](mailto:ksuarez@dadeschools.net)