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Glades Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Palm Beach County is the top performing large urban school district in Florida?
- PBC School District is the 5th largest school district in Florida and 11th largest in the
- The District attained a higher percentage of "A" rated Elem. & Middle schools than any large urban school district in Florida?



Thursday September 24, 2015 9:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

> **Pahokee Marina** 190 N. Lake Ave. Pahokee, FL 33476

The great aim of education is not knowledge, but ACTION

DISTRICT 4 PALM BEACH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

ERICA WHITFIELD



Erica has always wanted to make a difference in peoples' lives, especially children. In 2014, Erica decided to run for School Board Member to have a greater opportunity to better serve her community and all the children of Palm Beach County. On November 4, 2014 she was elected to the Palm Beach County School Board for District 4, taking office on November 18, 2014. Erica is a native Floridian with a passion for our community, and the health, achievement and success of our children. Born and raised in South Florida, Erica attended The University of Florida where she received a Bachelor of Health Science Education and Emory University where she earned a Master of Public Health.

While working with the Palm Beach County Health Department, she focused on Chronic Disease Education, Air Pollution Prevention and served as the Executive Director for the Governor's Council for Community Health Partnerships. Her responsibilities included managing an annual budget of over 2 million dollars for youth initiatives.

Erica served as the Project Coordinator for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Healthy Kids, Healthy Communities Project for the School District of Palm Beach County. In this capacity, she worked to develop 30 community and school gardens, opened the first school-based park in Palm Beach County and effected innovative policy changes at the School District and surrounding communities. As part of this project, Erica raised and managed over 1.3 million dollars to support our local schools and community. Before being elected as Board Member, Erica worked as a Wellness Coordinator for the School District of Palm Beach County, School Food Service Department.

Erica has served as President of the Kiwanis Club of Lake Worth; Chair of the City of Lake Worth Recreational Advisory Board and as Vice Chair of the Palm Beach County Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Greenway Advisory Council. She is a graduate of Leadership Palm Beach County (2014) Non-Profits First Rising Leaders class and Lake Worth Municipal Institute.

Erica lives in Lake Worth with her husband and 7 year old daughter, who attends public school.

