

MEMORANDUM

September 13, 2011

Dear FIU family:

This past Friday we commemorated as a family the 10th Anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks with multiple events on our campuses. I would like to thank everyone who participated, as well as the Office of Global Learning Initiatives and all of the members of the university community who organized our commemoration and reflection events.

Now we are looking forward to two busy weeks of key meetings, signature events that will see our footprint expand significantly and, of course, the anticipated nationally-televised game against UCF next Saturday.

- On Tuesday, Sept. 13, the College of College of Architecture + The Arts will host its [Arts Preview Event](#) at 6:30 p.m. at the Patricia and Philip Frost Art Museum
- Also on Tuesday we will host a [Miami-Dade County Mayor's Budget Town Hall meeting](#). This meeting will start at 7p.m. in GC 140 and it is free and open to the public.
- On Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 14 and 15, the [Florida Board of Governors](#) will meet in the Graham Center at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus. If you see any of the Governors or other guests who will be coming from the other 10 public universities in Florida, please give them a warm Panther welcome.
- On Friday, Sept. 16, we will inaugurate [FIU Downtown on Brickell](#), a state-of-the-art facility at 1101 Brickell Ave. where the College of Business Administration and the College of Arts and Sciences are offering graduate programs. In addition, FIU Downtown on Brickell will be home to The Metropolitan Center.
- On Saturday, Sept. 17, at 6 p.m. [the Panthers will play UCF at Alfonso Field at FIU Stadium](#). We expect this game will be very well attended, so please get your tickets and arrive early so you and your family can enjoy the tailgating village. We know all of our fans will show UCF fans our Blue and Gold pride in a sportsmanlike manner.
- Next Tuesday, Sept. 20, we will inaugurate [the College of Architecture + The Arts Miami Beach Urban Studios](#), which will house practice rooms, classrooms and performance spaces. The Miami Beach Urban Studios also will be home to the newly established Office of Engaged Teaching, Scholarship, and Creative Activities, headed by Miami artist Xavier Cortada.

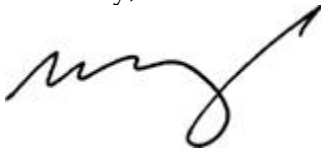
- Next week is also [Faculty Convocation week](#), which includes two events that are open to the entire FIU family: A concert on Wednesday, Sept. 21, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the Wertheim Performing Arts Center at Modesto A. Maidique Campus and the awards ceremony will take place Thursday, Sept. 22, from 3 to 5:30 p.m. in the Wertheim Performing Arts Center at Modesto A. Maidique Campus. Fifteen members of the faculty will be honored for their achievements, and the winner of the President's Council Worlds Ahead Faculty Award will be announced.

FIU Downtown on Brickell and CARTA's Miami Beach Urban Studios represent a major footprint expansion for us and a real symbol of our commitment to be an anchor institution that is engaged and serving our community.

I invite you to take an active role in these and the many other activities we have planned this Fall. This week, I urge you to roll out the welcome mat for the Florida Board of Governors and come out and support our winning football team.

Let's show our Panther pride and support FIU. Thank you and have a terrific week. Go Panthers!!!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark B. Rosenberg', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark B. Rosenberg
President