

Congressman Allen West (FL-22) will be addressing the student body of AMIkids Greater Fort Lauderdale.

When: Wednesday, August 31, 2011

Time: 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Where: AMIkids Greater Fort Lauderdale

3220 S.W. 4th Avenue

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315

Background:

AMIkids GFL, formerly known as FOSI American Maritime Institute, originally taught maritime skills to youth in the Broward County Community. AMIkids GFL is now part of the Juvenile Justice Education Program, and while it is a private school, it is aligned with the Broward County School System. The "at-risk" youth in this program struggle with crime, violence, substance abuse and/or poor academic performance. They enter this program for a period of three months in order to work on their GED or towards re-entry into the traditional school setting.

Video Opportunities:

\* Interview with Congressman West about how the consequences of the choices he made have affected his life

\* Please note: photos of the students must be taken of their backs or profiles (no full-face or shots where they are identifiable are permitted).

\*Please contact Communications Director Angela Sachitano at 202-226-2149 if you plan to cover this event.