History

North Campus Of Miami-Dade College To Unveil 9/11 Memorial

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Today the North Campus of Miami Dade College will hold a ceremony to dedicate a new memorial.

It incorporates a 2-foot piece of metal from the World Trade Center and is one of two pieces that the college received from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.

Mike McCann, chair of the college's 9/11 Committee, drafted a letter in 2010 requesting the pieces. The school had an unveiling two years ago. Since then, the 9/11 Committee was tasked with designing and constructing the memorial



Credit Justin Lane / Pool/Getty Images New York City police bugler Gabe Perdomo warms up next to the South Pool at ground zero during Tuesday's memorial ceremonies for the 11th anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks.

and today it will be unveiled at its permanent home.

McCann is also manager of the Fire Sciences Program at the college. He says it is important for South Floridians to be connected to history. As an institution that trains firefighters and police officers, the college feels especially close to the events on 9/11, he said.

More than 400 emergency workers including firefighters and police officers were killed during the terrorist attacks. The Miami-Dade Urban Rescue Team was one team of rescue workers who were deployed to Ground Zero after the attacks.

WLRN will be updating this post with pictures and details of the event, which begins this morning at 9 a.m.

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