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SHENANDOAH STUDENTS TAKE ON A STORM

At the law enforcement section at the Emergency Operation Center, Bani Ramirez, left, Lesley Gonzalez, center, and Anthony Leyva, right, work together as a team to solve law enforcement scenarios. Fifty sixth-grade science students from Shenandoah Middle School conducted a hurricane simulation at the Miami-Dade County Department of Emergency Management to prepare for and recover from the wrath of fictitious Hurricane Carlos sweeping through their community. The exercise was part of StormZone, a school-based educational program that helps students understand the importance of advance preparation when confronted with a natural disaster such as a hurricane. At right, Lucien C. Proby III, left, founder and program director of StormZone, gives specific hurricane scenarios for students to evaluate.

