

Personnel Management and Services
Nelson E. Diaz, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PERSONNEL
ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT WITH FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL
UNIVERSITY**

The Florida State Board of Regents has authorized Florida International University to initiate a Master's Degree Program in Speech and Language Pathology to assist South Florida in this critical shortage area. In order to comply with the state initiative, the university must acquire personnel to develop the necessary course of studies and clinical practicum sites.

The goals of the program will be to supply master level speech pathologists to South Florida and to admit bachelor level speech pathologists with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) seeking the master's degree.

Authorization of the Board is requested to enter into a Personnel Assignment Agreement with Florida International University to permit Garnet Reynolds, Ph.D., Speech Pathologist, Chairperson, Region II, to serve as the temporary consultant of the Speech and Language Pathology program.

This agreement will be effective from February 11, 1999 through August 9, 1999.

M-DCPS will be reimbursed for the salary and fringe benefits of Dr. Reynolds from Florida International University in the same amount she would receive while serving in her current position.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into a Personnel Assignment Agreement with Florida International University for:

1. Dr. Garnet Reynolds, Speech Pathologist, to serve as a consultant to Florida International University to develop the new Master's Degree Program in Speech and Language Pathology from February 11, 1999 through August 9, 1999; and
2. full reimbursement of salary and fringe benefits to be provided by Florida International University.

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