

Education

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE 1999-2000 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS AND OF THE ASSISTANCE AND INTERVENTION PLANS THAT MODIFY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS FOR SCHOOLS FAILING TO MEET MINIMUM STATE CRITERIA, AS REQUIRED BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, INCLUDING APPLICABLE WAIVER DOCUMENTS AND BUDGETS FOR TITLE I-FUNDED SCHOOLS

STRATEGIC PLANNING GOALS:

- I - EARLY INTERVENTION**
- II - STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT/PREPARATION FOR POST SECONDARY EXPERIENCES**
- III - READING/LANGUAGE ARTS**
- IV - BILINGUALISM**
- V - MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION**
- VI - EFFECTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT**
- VII - SAFE SCHOOLS**
- VIII - PROFESSIONAL STAFF AND PRACTICES**
- IX - COMMUNITY/HOME/PARENT/SCHOOL/ BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS**

School Improvement Plans (SIPs) for the 1999-2000 school year have been developed with the assistance of the Educational Excellence School Advisory Councils and submitted by all schools for presentation to the School Board, as required by law. Applicable waiver documents and budgets for Title I-funded schools have been included as well as a correlation of SIP objectives, State goals, and District Strategic Planning Goals. The process of preparing the SIPs was facilitated by comprehensive training and review.

Assistance and Intervention Plans with two-year implementation periods have been developed in accordance with legislative mandates and are included for all schools identified by the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) as "D" or "F" schools. Assistance and Intervention Plans for schools receiving a rating of "I" (incomplete) have also been included with the understanding that, upon the final determination of a letter grade rating by the FDOE, any school receiving a grade of "C," "B," or "A" will operate under the original School Improvement Plan, and the requirement for an Assistance and Intervention Plan will not be applicable. Assistance and Intervention Plans modify the SIP by replacing appropriate objectives of the plan and by adding strategies for district and region support.

To facilitate the review and approval of each 1999-2000 SIP and Assistance and Intervention Plan, Executive Summaries and copies of the School Improvement Plan for each school and Assistance and Intervention Plans, where applicable, will be transmitted to School Board Members under separate cover, and will be available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, and the Citizen Information Center.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. approve the individual School Improvement Plans of all schools;
2. approve Assistance and Intervention Plans that modify the School Improvement Plan for schools failing to meet minimum state criteria as required by the Florida Department of Education;
3. approve waiver documents and budgets for Title I-funded schools; and
4. authorize schools to implement the School Improvement Plans during the 1999-2000 school year and maintain the plans in force until new 2000-2001 plans have been accepted by the School Board at its August 2000 meeting.

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