

August 16, 1999

Financial Affairs
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: AWARD OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #279-XX10 – "VIRTUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT" INTERNET-BASED DISTANCE LEARNING ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM 1998-99

The purpose of this Request for Proposal, opened on July 8, 1999, is to establish a contract, at a firm unit price, to develop a virtual Internet-delivered distance learning educational package to provide training programs for Adult Basic Education (ABE), General Education Development (GED), and Business Software Applications, to adult learners, throughout Miami-Dade County and Monroe County, for the Office of Applied Technology, Adult and Career Education. This is a term proposal which states that the Board may purchase quantities, as may be required, at the unit price proposed, but is not obligated to purchase any guaranteed amount. Of 29 vendors sent proposal forms or card notices of this advertised proposal, 6 responded, with 1 proposal meeting specifications, 3 proposal not meeting specifications and 2 no proposals.

Fund Source
0100-General

M/WBE Eligibility
None

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AWARD** Request for Proposal #279-XX10 – "VIRTUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT" INTERNET-BASED DISTANCE LEARNING ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM 1998-99, to develop a virtual Internet-delivered distance learning educational package to provide training programs for Adult Basic Education (ABE), General Education Development (GED), and Business Software Applications, to adult learners, throughout Miami-Dade County and Monroe County, for the Office of Applied Technology, Adult and Career Education, during the term of the proposal, effective August 25, 1999, through August 24, 2000, as follows:

1. THE LEARNINGSTATION.COM
4324 N. BELT LINE ROAD
IRVING, TEXAS 75038 ESTIMATE \$60,000
OWNERS: JIM KIRSCHNER, PRESIDENT
CRAIG LARSEN, CHAIRMAN & CEO

Highest Rated Proposal:

Virtual Internet-based learning program @ \$60,000.

2. Authorize the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management to purchase up to the total estimated amount of \$60,000. The award shall be made subject to the resolution of bid protests, if any.

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