

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,967; AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH TO UNDERWRITE COMMUNITY AND ADULT EDUCATION FEES FOR MIAMI BEACH FAMILIES WITH LOW OR MODERATE INCOMES WHO ENROLL IN CLASSES AT FIENBERG/FISHER ADULT AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTER, FROM OCTOBER 1, 1999 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2000

STRATEGIC PLANNING GOAL: II - STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT/PREPARATION FOR POST SECONDARY EXPERIENCES

In response to a Request for Proposals (RFP) from the City of Miami Beach, Department of Economic Development, the Bureau of Adult/Vocational, Alternative and Dropout Prevention Programs has developed a proposal to fund community school and adult education fees for Miami Beach families with low or moderate incomes. The agreement will be retroactive from October 1, 1999 and terminate September 30, 2000.

The School Board has previously contracted with the City of Miami Beach, Department of Economic Development. Contracts have resulted in the payment of fees for eligible students in the amount of \$237,000 since the 1985-86 school year. The Bureau of Adult/Vocational, Alternative and Dropout Prevention Programs is requesting funding, in the amount of \$22,967, for the 1999-2000 school year.

The funds will provide scholarships for a maximum of \$50 for approximately 235 low or moderate income individuals. In addition, child care services will be provided for approximately 25 children so that parents can attend vocational courses. The funds are supplemental to the fee-supported adult education program.

No local funds will be required.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. accept a grant award in the amount of \$22, 967; and
2. enter into a contractual agreement with the City of Miami Beach, Department of Economic Development, to underwrite community and adult education fees for Miami Beach families with low or moderate incomes who enroll in classes at Fienberg/Fisher Adult and Community Education Center, from October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000.

No local funds will be required.

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