

Management and Accountability
Carol Cortes, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ACCEPT A DONATION VALUED AT \$369,000.00, FOR COMPUTERS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE, SNACKS, SUPPLIES, CURRICULUM MATERIALS, AND PROFESSIONAL ARTISTS FROM THE SOUTH FLORIDA INNER CITY GAMES FOR USE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL ENRICHMENT (MSE) AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

STRATEGIC PLANNING GOALS: II - STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT/PREPARATION FOR POST SECONDARY EXPERIENCES
VII - SAFE SCHOOLS
IX - COMMUNITY/HOME/PARENT/SCHOOL/BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS

The Bureau of Community Services, through the Middle School Enrichment Program (MSE), implemented a partnership with the South Florida Inner City Games in January 1997 to enhance and supplement the after-school programs offered through MSE. Through this partnership, summer camp experiences have been available to students over the past two summers. Organizers would like to expand the partnership to enable year-round after school "camp-type" experiences. The donations will enable the MSE programs to provide the activities in computer technology, fine arts, and life management skills that are components of the curriculum in after-school computer camps, at the following sites: Citrus Grove, Ruben Dario, Jose de Diego, Charles R. Drew, Hialeah, Homestead, Thomas Jefferson, Mays, Nautilus, North Miami, Ponce de Leon, and West Miami middle schools. The sites were selected based on the following criteria: location; need; available infrastructure; and community partnership. The computers and/or software will remain at the school sites for year-round use in the MSE after-school program and for use in the community schools, where applicable.

No local funds are required.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to accept a donation valued at \$369,000.00, for computers and related equipment, software, snacks, supplies, curriculum materials, and professional artists from South Florida Inner City Games for use in Middle School Enrichment (MSE) after- school programs.

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