

Management and Accountability
Carol Cortes, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH FAIRCHILD TROPICAL GARDENS FOR \$15,000

Authorization is requested to enter into a contractual agreement with Fairchild Tropical Gardens for environmental activities and curriculum materials for students for the remainder of the 1999-2000 school year.

Fairchild Tropical Gardens is one of the prominent botanical gardens in the world with an extensive collection of rare tropical plants. Students receive guided tours and materials related to tropical plants and foliage. Teachers receive follow-up materials for classroom use, as well.

Funds are included in the General Fund of the 1999-2000 Adopted Budget under the following structure:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Work Location</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Object</u>	<u>Function</u>
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RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter in a contractual agreement with Fairchild Tropical Gardens for \$15,000, for environmental activities and curriculum materials for students for the remainder of the 1999-2000 school year.