

Federal Programs and Grants Administration  
John Johnson II, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FUNDING UNDER TITLE VI – CLASS-SIZE REDUCTION PROGRAM, IMPROVING AMERICA’S SCHOOLS ACT, JULY 1, 2000 – JUNE 30, 2001**

The purpose of the federal Class-Size Reduction Program (CSR) is to continue to improve student achievement and ensure that all children receive more individualized attention. The goal of the CSR Program is to help schools improve student achievement by adding additional highly qualified teachers to the workforce to ensure that class size, particularly in early grades, is reduced to no more than 18 children per class.

The CSR Program is designed to complement other federal, state and local programs that have related purposes. Local Educational Agencies (LEA) must use CSR funds to supplement and not replace funds received from those state initiatives, so that the LEA can implement greater class size reductions than the LEA would have been able to accomplish under the state initiatives alone. During the 1999-00 school year, Miami-Dade County Public Schools received \$10,718,155 under this initiative. Funds were used to reduce the teacher/student ratio to 1:18 in the Level I schools. The 2000-2001 allocation for the CSR Program is \$11,653,134. Funds will be used to sustain the CSR model in Level I schools, and for professional development and teacher recruitment.

No local funds are required.

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

1. accept a grant award from the Florida Department of Education, in the amount of \$11,653,134 and available roll forward funds, for funding under Title VI – Class-Size Reduction Program, Improving America’s Schools Act, July 1, 2000 – June 30, 2001; and
2. Financial Affairs to establish appropriations in the amounts approved by the grating agency such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

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THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET SUMMARY FORM

Yes  No Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?

Entitlement Grant Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Title VI - Class-size Reduction Program

Grant Period Beginning July 1, 2000 Ending June 30, 2000 (Date)

FUNCTION	Total Budget	Salaries (51XX)	Employee Benefits (52XX)	Purchased Services (53XX)	Energy Services (54XX)	Materials and Supplies (55XX)	Capital Outlay (56XX)	Other Expense (57XX)
INSTRUCTION SERVICES	5000	9,274,231	7,113,000	2,161,231				
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services	6100							
Instructional Media Services	6200							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300							
Instructional Staff Training	6400	2,029,309	916,710	262,718	449,881	200,000	200,000	
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	349,594*						349,594*
School Administration	7300							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7400							
Fiscal Services	7500							
Food Services	7600							
Central Services	7700							
Transportation Services	7800							
Operation of Plant	7900							
Maintenance of Plant	8100							
Community Services	9100							
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES		11,653,134	8,029,710	2,423,949	449,881	200,000	200,000	349,594

\*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 349,594

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Reviewed By Judith A. Webb  
 Division of Budget

Agenda Item F-8 Board Meeting of May 17, 2000 (Date)