

June 8, 2000

Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent
Education

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH DESIGNATED NONPROFIT AGENCIES IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2000 SUMMER SESSION AND THE 2000-2001 SCHOOL YEAR

In compliance with Section 230.23 (4)(c), (j) and (n), Florida Statutes, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) Bureau of Adult/Vocational, Alternative and Dropout Prevention Programs, designated governmental agencies, and designated private, nonprofit agencies in Miami-Dade County, Florida, have developed cooperative agreements providing educational services for school-age students for the 2000 summer session and the 2000-2001 school year.

The agreements involve commitments on the part of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and of the designated agencies in Miami-Dade County, Florida, as outlined in the cooperative agreements:

1. M-DCPS is to provide an educational program, including teachers, materials, and equipment (not including furniture), on the same basis as provided to regular classes within M-DCPS. The supervision of teachers will be provided by the principal of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program.
2. The designated agencies are to provide space in existing buildings for classrooms that meet state specifications, furniture, records of school-age students, and notification of discharge of students.

The programs are a part of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program, Bureau of Adult/Vocational, Alternative and Dropout Prevention Programs, which provides related services and supervision. The designated agencies are as follows:

Governmental Agencies

Dade Intensive Control
Juvenile Justice Center
Miami Halfway House
Turner Guilford Knight Detention Centers
Women's Detention Center

Private, Nonprofit Agencies

Agape COVE Center
Catholic Services, Inc.
CHARLEE of Dade County
Excel Shelter
Here's Help North
Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent
Substance Abuse Program
McLamore Center
Miami Bridge, Inc.
Miami River of Life, Inc.
Northwest Dade Center/RITS
Ramsay Youth Services Inc.
The Village
TROY Academy

Ms. Amy Bejarano is the Director of Adolescent Services for Agape COVE Center; Dr. Jose Goyos is the Program Director of Catholic Services, Inc.; Mr. Steve Manne is the Executive Director of CHARLEE of Dade County; Ms. Jill M. Volovar is the Program Administrator for Excel Shelter; Mr. John Kross is the C.E.O. of Here's Help North; Ms. Eve Sakran is the Program Director of the Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent Substance Abuse Program; Ms. Sara Herald is the Regional Vice-President for the McLamore Center; Ms. Joan Shaw is the Program Director of Miami Bridge, Inc.; Dr. James Corbett is the Program Administrator of Miami River of Life, Inc.; Ms. Maria Alonso Martinez is the Chief Operating Officer of Northwest Dade Center/RITS; Mr. Todd Speight is the Facility Administrator for Ramsay Youth Services Inc.; Ms. Nicole Buddle is the Program Director for The Village; and Ms. Jennifer Schuster is the Program Director of TROY Academy.

The funds necessary for implementing Miami-Dade County Public Schools' portion of the agreements will be provided by FTE generated through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP). The summer program will be provided through the Supplemental Academic Instruction Program. In the event that a subsequent proration of funds is incurred by the district due to economic conditions, the allocation of teachers, materials, supplies, and equipment may be reduced.

No exchange of funds is required for these programs.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2000-2001 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2000 under Fund 0100, Function 5120, Program 6040, Object 5144, Location 8017.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent enter into cooperative agreements with the following agencies:

1. governmental agencies to provide educational services for students at Dade Intensive Control, Juvenile Justice Center, Miami Halfway House, Turner Guilford Knight Detention Centers, and Women's Detention Center; and
2. private, nonprofit agencies to provide educational services for students at Agape COVE Center, Catholic Services, Inc., CHARLEE of Dade County, Excel Shelter, Here's Help North, Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent Substance Abuse Program, McLamore Center, Miami Bridge, Inc., Miami River of Life, Inc., Northwest Dade Center/RITS, Ramsay Youth Services, Inc., The Village, and TROY Academy.

No exchange of funds is required for these programs.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2000-2001 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2000.

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