

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR BOARD APPROVAL TO AMEND THE DORAL
ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT
BEGINNING WITH THE 2000-2001 SCHOOL YEAR**

The Doral Academy has requested that modifications be made to its charter. The Doral Academy contractual agreement was previously approved by the School Board on June 23, 1999, and subsequently amended on August 25, 1999. As per Section 228.056(9)16(c), Florida Statutes, a charter may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term upon the recommendation of the sponsor and the approval of both parties to the agreement.

The Doral Academy has requested that its contractual agreement be amended to change the grade configuration of the school from grades 6-8 to grades K-8. They have also requested to increase the overall enrollment at the school. The student enrollment breakdown by year is as follows:

- Year 1: 1999-2000 – Grades 6-8 up to 225 students (no change)
- Year 2: 2000-2001 – Grades K-8 from up to 300 students to up to 900 students
- Year 3: 2001-2002 – Grades K-8 from up to 350 students to up to 900 students
- Year 4: 2002-2003 – Grades K-8 from up to 350 students to up to 900 students
- Year 5: 2003-2004 – Grades K-8 from up to 350 students to up to 900 students

The charter school's curriculum, instructional methods, and any distinctive instructional techniques to be used will also be amended to align with the school's curriculum offerings in grades K-8.

The Doral Academy has also requested that its contractual agreement be amended to change the location of the charter school from 7700 Northwest 98 Street, Hialeah Gardens, Florida 33016 to 2173 Northwest 99 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33172.

A copy of the contractual agreement amendment will be provided to School Board members under separate cover and will be available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, and the Citizen Information Center.

Mr. Fernando Zulueta is the Founder of the Doral Academy.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve The Doral Academy charter school contractual agreement beginning with the 2000-2001 school year, as amended, to:

1. increase the overall enrollment up to 900 students;
2. change the grade configuration of the school from grades 6-8 to grades K-8;
3. change the charter school's curriculum, instructional, and any distinctive instructional techniques to align with the curriculum offerings in grades K-8; and
4. change the location of the charter school from 7700 Northwest 98 Street, Hialeah Gardens, Florida 33016 to 2173 Northwest 99 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33172.

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