

Federal Programs and Grants Administration
John Johnson II, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT GRANT AWARDS FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FUNDING FIVE FAMILY LITERACY PROJECTS UNDER THE ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY ACT; PROJECT CYCLE: JULY 1, 2000 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2001

The Florida Department of Education issued a Request for Proposals under the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act to fund projects that promote literacy and increase basic educational skills among adults living in Florida. Miami-Dade County Public Schools Office of Workforce Development Education submitted grant applications for projects designed to provide parents with the necessary skills to become full partners in the educational development of their children. The projects are as follows:

- The American Adult Education Center Project, *Children/Adults Reading Together (CART)*, in partnership with Ernest R. Graham Elementary School, will bring parents and elementary school children together to teach literacy and encourage lifelong reading and writing in the home through the use of children's books and appropriate software. Funding in the amount of \$50,000 will provide personnel, books, magazines, supplies, and software.
- The Biscayne Gardens Elementary School Project, *Reading Enhancement of Adult Development (READ)*, will enrich adult and child literacy, increase family participation in the educational process and help parents view education as the key to success for both themselves and their families. The project will provide adult literacy training, enhance parenting and technology skills, and afford time for parent and child literacy activities. Funding in the amount of \$49,971 will provide supplies, books, computers, software, personnel, and travel.
- The Coral Park Adult Education Center Project, *Community Of Learners*, will provide participating parents whose children attend Wesley Matthews Elementary School with instruction in literacy enhancement techniques, keyboarding, word processing, Internet and e-mail use. The participating adults will also familiarize themselves with ways to be involved in their children's education at school and at home. Funding in the amount of \$50,000 will provide computers, software, tape players, books, materials, and personnel.
- The D.A. Dorsey Education Center Project, *D.A. Dorsey Family Literacy Resource Center*, will establish a literacy resource center for families who wish to become engaged in improving literacy skills, life skills, or job related activities. Adult students with children, grandparents and caregivers will

attend sessions together to participate in intergenerational literacy activities. Funding in the amount of \$50,000 will provide computer equipment, computer software, supplies, and personnel.

- The Virtual Adult Education Center Project will build an Internet-based delivery system of statewide online instruction for the first three levels of the adult English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) curriculum competencies. This will augment the online family literacy course currently in place. The Hialeah Library Division, in collaboration with this project, will provide family literacy activities for parents and their children. Funding in the amount of \$50,000 will provide personnel, equipment, contracted services, and travel.

Official notification relative to this grant award was received on January 10, 2001. The budget period for the grant award allows for the reimbursement of expenditures beginning July 1, 2000.

No local funds are required.

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

1. accept grant awards from the Florida Department of Education, in the total amount of \$249,971, for funding five Family Literacy projects under the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act; Project Cycle: July 1, 2000, through June 30, 2001;
2. extend these grant awards, at no additional cost, for up to one year, as authorized through notification from the granting agency, if deemed necessary, in order to complete the scope of the project; and
3. Financial Affairs to establish appropriations in the amounts approved by the granting 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

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

Entitlement Grant
 Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: FAMILY LITERACY PROJECTS

Grant Period Beginning JULY 1, 2000 Ending JUNE 30, 2001
 (Date) (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	73,530	14,569	95,222		25,351	34,984	
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services	6100							
Instructional Media Services	6200							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300							
Instructional Staff Training	6400							
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	6,315*						6,315*
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	249,971	73,530	14,569	95,222		25,351	34,984	6,315

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 6,315

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Reviewed By *[Signature]*
 Division of Budget

Agenda Item F-3 Board Meeting of February 14, 2001
 (Number) (Date)