

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY JOBS FOR MIAMI TRAINING ACADEMY, TO OFFER APPLIED TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS AND BASIC SKILLS TRAINING, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$312,000, FROM JANUARY 3, 2001 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2001

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement for services rendered by Jobs for Miami Training Academy, a local non-profit organization located at 7900 Northeast Second Avenue, Miami, Florida. This contract represents a renewal, initially having gone into effect on January 13, 2000, and terminating on January 2, 2001.

The academy serves disadvantaged students who, for one or more reasons, have been unsuccessful and/or unmotivated in their pursuit of an education/career. The agency will provide appropriate basic skills instruction and applied technology programs for a maximum of 200 full-time equivalent adult students who are residents of Miami-Dade County and who are not presently enrolled in a post-secondary program sponsored by Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS).

Monthly payments to the training agency will be calculated using a rate negotiated by staff, after deducting an estimated cost of \$3,412 per month for the lease of M-DCPS computer equipment/peripherals, software, and classroom furniture to the Jobs for Miami Training Academy. It will be the agency's responsibility to maintain the equipment in good working order. Once this agreement is terminated, all items purchased by M-DCPS will be returned to the district.

The training agency will adhere to the testing and data-reporting requirements set forth by M-DCPS, as contained in the *2000-2001 Adult and Vocational Testing Procedures*, the *Vocational Adult Community System (VACS) Training Manual*, and related supplementary material.

The training agency agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the School Board from any and all claims, liabilities, or causes of action, including attorney fees, which may arise out of a negligent act or omission to act by the training agency as it relates to the terms and conditions of this agreement.

The President and Chief Executive Officer of the Jobs for Miami Training Academy is Mr. Neill Robinson.

The appropriation for this item is included in the 2000-2001 Adopted Budget under Fund 0100, Function 7300, Program 7050, Object 5390, Location 7003.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement for services rendered by Jobs for Miami Training Academy, to offer applied technology programs and basic skills training, in an amount not to exceed \$312,000, from January 3, 2001 through June 30, 2001.

The appropriation for this item is included in the General Fund of the 2000-2001 Adopted Budget.

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