

Federal Programs and Grants Administration
John Johnson II, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE DELIVERY OF INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES TO STUDENTS ENROLLED IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS WHO GENERATE TITLE I FUNDING; PROJECT CYCLE: AUGUST 2001 THROUGH JUNE 2002 AND TO APPROVE THE SELECTION COMMITTEE

On July 1, 1985, the United States Supreme Court confirmed that local school districts were required to provide Title I funded instructional services to eligible students who attend religiously-affiliated private schools. The legislation allows for the Local Educational Agency to provide instructional services directly or through contracts with public and private agencies, organizations and institutions.

The purpose of this Request for Proposals (RFP) is to establish a proposer contract for delivering instructional services in the areas of reading, writing, and mathematics to students enrolled in private schools who generate Title I funding. These services must include all materials, supplies, and equipment necessary to deliver remedial basic skills instruction to students failing or at-risk of failing. A proposer who is awarded the contract must be able to customize the instructional services to meet the needs of eligible students.

There will be approximately 23 private school sites and 1,085 eligible students served with Title I funds. Students receiving Title I services must qualify based upon the number of students from low-income families who attend private schools. The budget for this project is in an amount not to exceed \$570,000.

These services will be provided over a one-year period from August 2001 to June 2002. The private schools' annual allocation is determined each year based upon the district's Title I allocation and the number of eligible students who generate Title I funds.

The selection committee will consist of the following:

- Two administrators from Federal Programs and Grants Administration, Title I;
- An administrator from one of the participating private schools funded by Title I;
- A representative from the United Teachers of Dade;
- A representative from the Title I Non-Public School Advisory Council;
- A Region Supervisor, Title I;
- An administrator from the Office of Curriculum Support Services;
- A representative from the Division of Business Development and Assistance;
- A representative from the Office of Educational Accountability; and
- An administrator from the Bureau of Procurement and Materials Management.

The estimated timeline for implementation is as follows:

- Procurement Contract Review Committee - May 3, 2001
- Request Board approval to issue RFP and approval of Selection Committee - May 16, 2001
- Mailing of RFP - May 21, 2001
- Opening of Proposals - June 5, 2001
- Evaluations completed by Selection Committee - June 6, 2001
- Contract Award Recommendations - June 20, 2001

A copy of the RFP will be provided to 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.

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

1. issue a Request for Proposals for the delivery of instructional services, in an amount not to exceed \$570,000, to students enrolled in private schools who generate Title I funding; Project Cycle: August 2001 through June 2002; and
2. approve the Selection Committee.