

October 10, 2001

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO EXTEND THE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTER-THIRD INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE STUDY (TIMSS) TO CONTINUE CONDUCTING AN ANALYSIS OF DATA AND PRESENT SUMMARY FINDINGS FROM THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE STUDY-REPEAT (TIMSS-R), AT NO ADDITIONAL COST, FROM DECEMBER 15, 2001 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2002

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent to extend the contractual agreement with the Michigan State University National Research Center-Third International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) to continue conducting a detailed analysis of data, prepare reports, and present summary findings from the Third International Mathematics and Science Study-Repeat (TIMSS-R). Technical issues arose which prevented completion of the terms of the contract and delayed the implementation of the actions recommended in the initial Board item approved by the School Board on December 13, 2000. A contract from December 15, 2001 through June 30, 2002 will require no additional cost to the District.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to extend the contractual agreement with Michigan State University National Research Center-Third International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) to continue conducting an analysis of data and present summary findings from the Third International Mathematics and Science Study-Repeat (TIMSS-R), at no additional cost, from December 15, 2001 through June 30, 2002.

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