

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT PLAN FOR LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT STUDENTS, 2001-2004

Section 233.058, Florida Statutes, and Florida Board of Education (FBE) Rule 6A-0905, Requirements for the District Plan for Limited English Proficient Students, require that every three years each school district submit a plan which must be designed in accordance with FBE Rules 6A-6.0902 through 6A-0910, and all other applicable rules for providing instruction to limited English proficient (LEP) students.

The District Plan for Limited English Proficient Students reflects changes that have been implemented since the last revision. In addition, it includes the Refugee Emergency Contingency Plan, which was developed in the event of large-scale influx of school age children into Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS). The Florida Department of Education approved the Refugee Emergency Contingency Plan October 5, 1994, as an addition to the District Plan for Limited English Proficient Students

A copy of the District Plan for Limited English Proficient Students, 2001-2004 will be provided to School Board Members under separate cover, and will be available for inspection in the Office of Board Recording Secretary and the Citizen Information Center.

A draft of the revised District Plan was presented to the District LEP/PEP (Potentially English Proficient) Parent Leadership Council (PLC) at its meeting of April 10, 2001, and again submitted to the PLC Board for final approval.

- RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:
1. approve the Miami-Dade County Public Schools District Plan for Limited English Proficient Students, 2001-2004; and
 2. authorize the Superintendent to submit the plan to the Florida Department of Education.

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