

Education  
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ACCEPT THE REQUEST FOR TERMINATION OF THE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT SATELLITE LEARNING CENTER**

A cooperative agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and Miami-Dade County to operate the Miami International Airport Satellite Learning Center was initially approved on October 4, 1988, with the most current amendment approved on June 30, 2001, for the 2001-2002 school year. Pursuant to the terms of the cooperative agreement, either party may terminate said agreement at any time after giving 60 days written notice.

On October 19, 2001, written notification from the Miami-Dade Aviation Department was received by the Superintendent of Schools, requesting the termination of the cooperative agreement between the School Board and Miami-Dade County for the operation of the Miami International Airport Satellite Learning Center as of December 31, 2001.

In an effort to minimize the impact of this action on students enrolled at the Miami International Airport Satellite Learning Center, families will be provided the following options:

1. to transfer their child/children to their home school;
2. to transfer their child/children to Melrose Elementary School; and
3. to apply for admission to The Doral Academy.

If the number of students who opt to transfer to Melrose Elementary School supports the allocation of additional staff, the district will assign current staff from the Miami International Airport Satellite Learning Center, as appropriate.

The Doral Academy, a charter school operated by Academica Corporation, under the direction of Mr. Fernando Zulueta, President, has requested to increase the student capacity at the charter school in order to accommodate the students from the Miami International Airport Satellite Learning Center whose parents choose this option.

There will be no cost to the District.

**REPLACEMENT  
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**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. authorize the Superintendent to accept the request for termination of the cooperative agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and Miami-Dade County for the operation of the Miami International Airport Satellite Learning Center as of December 31, 2001; and
2. authorize the Superintendent to facilitate the transition of the Miami International Airport Satellite Learning Center students to either their home school, Melrose Elementary School or The Doral Academy, effective January 1, 2002.

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