

Education
Mercedes Toural, Associate Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED 2002 - 2003 SCHOOL PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE PLANS FOR SCHOOLS DESIGNATED AS SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADE "F" FOR TWO YEARS IN A FOUR-YEAR PERIOD, AS REQUIRED BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

COMMITTEE: ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

School Performance Excellence Plans for schools designated by the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) as school performance grade "F" for two years in a four-year period have been amended to reflect recommendations made by the FDOE after state review of the plans approved by the Board at the June 19, 2002, meeting. These plans have been developed with the assistance of the Educational Excellence School Advisory Councils and submitted by all such schools for presentation to the School Board, as required by law. Comprehensive training and review facilitated the process of preparing the School Performance Excellence Plans. All affected schools attended a two-day Assistance Plus Support Summit sponsored by the FDOE in Tampa, Florida, to facilitate the identification of best practices and the creation of state-wide Assistance Plus Teams. These teams will work directly with the schools in the implementation of their School Performance Excellence Plans throughout the 2002 - 2003 school year. Additionally, a meeting was conducted by the District in collaboration with the FDOE Office of School Improvement to address concerns and to ensure that all plans were formatted to meet FDOE requirements. The District has also identified a second Assistance Team for all schools impacted.

To facilitate the review and approval of these School Performance Excellence Plans, copies of the School Performance Excellence Plan for each affected school will be transmitted to School 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, approve the amended 2002 - 2003 School Performance Excellence Plans for schools designated as School Performance Grade "F" for two years in a four-year period, as required by the Florida Department of Education.

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