

Education
Mercedes Toural, Associate Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF 2002-2003 SCHOOL PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE PLANS FOR SCHOOLS DESIGNATED AS SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADE "F" FOR THE FIRST TIME, 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 the first time in a four-year period reflect recommendations made by the FDOE after state review of the plans. 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.

School staff 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 schools in the implementation of their School Performance Excellence Plans for the 2002-2003 school year. A meeting was also 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.

To facilitate the review and approval of these School Performance Excellence Plans, copies of the School Performance Excellence Plan for each school will be transmitted to School Board Members under separate cover. The plans will be available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary and in the Citizen Information Center.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve 2002-2003 School Performance Excellence Plans for schools designated as School Performance Grade "F" for the first time, as required by the Florida Department of Education.