

Mercedes Toural, Chief Education Officer
and Deputy Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH DESIGNATED NON-PROFIT/FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2003 SUMMER SESSION AND THE 2003-2004 SCHOOL YEAR

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

In compliance with Section 1006.07 (1) (a) (b) 2, Florida Statutes, the Office of Adult/Vocational, Alternative and Community Education, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), has developed cooperative agreements with designated governmental agencies, designated private agencies, and non-profit/for-profit agencies in Miami-Dade County, Florida, to provide educational services for school-age students, including those who are at risk, for the 2003 summer session, and the 2003-2004 school year.

The agreements involve commitments on the part of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and of the designated agencies in Miami-Dade County as outlined in the cooperative agreements:

1. M-DCPS will provide an educational program, including teachers, materials, and equipment (not including furniture), on the same basis as provided to regular classes within M-DCPS. Supervision of the teachers will be provided by the principal of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program.
2. The designated agencies will provide classroom space in existing buildings that meet state specifications. Additionally, the agency will provide furniture, records of school-age students, and notification of students' discharge.

The designated centers will operate under the auspices of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program, Office of Adult/Vocational, Alternative and Community Education, and will provide supervision and educational services for students who are adjudicated by the court system; reside in shelters for the abused and the neglected; require treatment for substance abuse and require hospitalization. Furthermore, the educational component offered complies with the M-DCPS district's curriculum.

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The designated centers are as follows:

Governmental Agencies

The Florida Department of Juvenile Justice on behalf of
Miami Halfway House

The Department of Rehabilitation of Miami-Dade County on behalf of
Turner Guilford Knight Detention Centers
Women's Detention Center

Private, Non-profit Agencies

Catholic Services, Inc.

*CHARLEE of Dade County

Children's Home Society

Citrus Health Network Inc.

Excel Shelter

Here's Help North

Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent
Subsistence Abuse Program

Miami Bridge, Inc.

South Miami Hospital Addiction Treatment
Program

*TROY Community Academy
The Village

*Children Have All Rights Legally, Educationally and Emotionally

*Teaching and Rehabilitating Our Youth

The directors of the private non-profit agencies are listed in the respective order as follows:

Ms. Lourdes Nieves, Mr. Steve Manne, Ms. Lilia Abril, Mr. Mario Jardon, Ms. Delores
Dunn, Mr. Sam Zocco, Ms. Eve Sakran; Ms. Stephanie Solovie, Mr. Marino E. Carbonel,
Ms. Jennifer Schuster, and Ms. Nicole Buddle.

Private For-profit Agencies

Ramsay Youth Services

On behalf of Southern Glades Youth Camp and
Everglades Youth Development Center

The Facility Administrator for Everglades/Southern Glades Youth Development Centers is
Mr. Todd Speight.

The funds necessary for implementing M-DCPS' portion of the agreements will be provided
by FTE dollars generated through the Florida Education Finance Program and the
Supplemental Academic Instruction Program. In the event that a subsequent proration of
funds is incurred by the district due to economic conditions, the allocation of teachers,
materials, supplies, and equipment may be reduced.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the General Fund of the 2003-2004
Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2003 under Fund 0100, Function
5120, Program 6040, Object 5144, Location 8017. This budget structure is provided to
reflect M-DCPS' internal expenditures.

No exchange of funds is required for these programs.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into cooperative agreements with the following, effective July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004:

1. governmental agencies to provide educational services for students at Miami Halfway House, Turner Guilford Knight Detention Centers, and Women's Detention Center;
2. private, non-profit agencies to provide educational services for students at Catholic Services, Inc., CHARLEE of Dade County, Children's Home Society, Citrus Health Network Inc., Excel Shelter, Here's Help North, Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent Substance Abuse Program, Miami Bridge, Inc., South Miami Hospital Addiction Treatment Program, TROY Community Academy and The Village; and
3. private, for-profit agencies to provide educational services for students at Everglades Youth Development Center and Southern Glades Youth Camp.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2003-2004 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2003.

No exchange of funds is required for these programs.

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