

Mercedes Toural, Chief Education Officer  
and Deputy Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT, WHEREBY GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC., WILL PROVIDE FUNDING FOR AN EDUCATIONAL SPECIALIST TO COUNSEL STUDENTS AND COORDINATE IDENTIFIED PROGRAMS OPERATED BY LINDSEY HOPKINS TECHNICAL EDUCATION CENTER**

**COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS**

The Chief Executive Officer of Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc., has requested the services of an educational specialist from August 9, 2003, through August 8, 2004.

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent of Schools to enter into a contractual agreement with Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc. Under the provisions of this agreement, which has been in existence for 12 years, an educational specialist will work with Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc., to counsel students and coordinate identified educational programs operated by Lindsey Hopkins Technical Education Center at Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc. The educational programs include business technology education, adult basic education, upholstery, cashiering, and custodial services.

The Chief Executive Officer and President of Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc., is Mr. Dennis Pastrana.

There are no costs associated with this program since Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc., will reimburse related expenditures. Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc., will fund the salary and fringe benefits for the education specialist in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent of Schools to:

1. enter into a contractual agreement, with Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc., to provide funding for an educational specialist to counsel students, and coordinate identified programs operated by Lindsey Hopkins Technical Education Center at Goodwill Industries of South Florida, Inc., effective August 9, 2003 through August 8, 2004; and
2. receive reimbursements of expenditures, in an amount not to exceed \$95,000, for services rendered.

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