

Mercedes Toural, Chief Education Officer
and Deputy Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD
FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
FAMILIES, AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL
AGREEMENT WITH THE OFFICE OF REFUGEE SERVICES, FOR
FUNDING THE SKILLS FOR ACADEMIC, VOCATIONAL AND
ENGLISH STUDIES (SAVES) PROGRAM**

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

The Florida Department of Children and Families (FDCF), through the Office of Refugee Services, awards Skills for Academic, Vocational and English Studies (SAVES) grants to school districts to provide educational services to adult refugees and asylees.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools has contracted with FDCF to implement the SAVES program since August 1996. The SAVES Program is a free educational program designed to meet the instructional and employment needs of eligible adult refugees and asylees. The SAVES program is available through the district's adult education centers and provides English language, academic and vocational training to those who qualify.

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award from the FDCF, and to enter into a contractual agreement, in the amount of \$8,000,000, with the Office of Refugee Services, to receive funding for the SAVES program. The grant award will be issued in two partial payments of \$4,000,000 each, during the 2003-2004 and the 2004-2005 school year.

No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the grant funding. Grant funds in the amount of \$8,000,000 will be used for supplemental materials, textbooks, scholarships, child care, bus passes and part-time and full-time personnel.

Official notification of this contract was received on July 18, 2003. The budget period for this contract allows for reimbursement of expenditures from August 18, 2003.

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

1. accept a grant award from the Department of Children and Families, Office of Refugee Services, in the total amount of \$8,000,000 for funding the Skills for Academic, Vocational and English Studies (SAVES) program, during the 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 school years;
2. enter into a contractual agreement with the Office of Refugee Services, in the amount of \$8,000,000, of which \$4,000,000 will be allocated to the 2003-2004 school year, and \$4,000,000 to the 2004-2005 school year, to provide English language, academic and vocational training to eligible adult refugees and asylees, for the grant period of August 18, 2003 through August 17, 2005;
3. extend this program and contractual agreement as authorized through official notification from the granting agency, in order to complete the goals of the program; and
4. direct Financial Affairs to establish appropriations in the amounts approved or as amended by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

AMC:th

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET SUMMARY FORM



Yes
 No Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?
 Entitlement Grant
 Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Skills for Academic, Vocational and English Studies (SAVES) Program

Grant Period Beginning August 18, 2003 Ending August 17, 2005 (Date)

FUNCTION	Total Budget	Salaries (51XX)	Employee Benefits (52XX)	Purchased Services (53XX)	Energy Services (54XX)	Materials and Supplies (55XX)	Capital Outlay (56XX)	Other Expense (57XX)
INSTRUCTION SERVICES	5000	7,733,204	2,186,160	483,700		785,056		4,278,288
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services	6100							
Instructional Media Services	6200							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300							
Instructional Staff Training	6400							
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	266,796*						266,796*
School Administration	7300							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7400							
Fiscal Services	7500							
Food Services	7600							
Central Services	7700							
Transportation Services	7800							
Operation of Plant	7900							
Maintenance of Plant	8100							
Community Services	9100							
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES		8,000,000	2,186,160	483,700		785,056		4,545,084

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 266,796

Reviewed By *[Signature]*
 Division of Budget

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Agenda Item B-63 Board Meeting of August 20, 2003 (Date)