

August 27, 2003

Mercedes Toural, Chief Education Officer
and Deputy Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD
FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR
FUNDING THE IDEA, PART B, SPECIAL PROJECT: FLORIDA
INCLUSION NETWORK**

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

During the 1992-1993 school year, the Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Instructional Support and Community Services, initiated the development of Florida's Exceptional Student Education Strategic Plan. Within the Plan, the Special Project: Florida Inclusion Network (FIN) was established.

Florida Inclusion Network coordinates activities of regional facilitators, assists with the implementation of effective instructional practices, coordinates statewide training, provides assistance for on-going implementation of the revised Exceptional Student Education/Florida Education Finance Program funding model, and maintains records of the status of inclusion within the district. The Office of Exceptional Student Education and Student/Career Services supports the national trend of inclusion of exceptional students and is committed to providing training and technical support services to implement inclusion models.

No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the grant funding. Grant funds in the amount of \$250,000 will fund the salary of a curriculum support specialist, a secretary, training initiatives and support services, contracted services, printing, supplies, equipment, software, and travel expenses.

Official notification of this grant award was received on August 5, 2003. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective October 1, 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 Florida Department of Education for funding the IDEA, Part B, Special Project: Florida Inclusion Network in the amount of \$250,000 for the grant period of October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004;
2. extend this program as authorized through official notification from the granting agency, in order to complete the goals of the program; and
3. 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: IDEA, Part B, Special Project: Florida Inclusion Network

Grant Period Beginning October 1, 2003 Ending September 30, 2004
 (Date) (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							
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services	6100							
Instructional Media Services	6200	1,000					1,000	
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300	86,299	25,821	60,500		7,087	4,800	
Instructional Staff Training	6400	56,349	5,349	9,000				12,000
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	8,144 *						8,144 *
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	250,000	116,299	31,170	69,500		7,087	5,800	20,144

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 8,144

Reviewed By [Signature]
 Division of Budget
 Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization: _____
 Agenda Item B-60 Board Meeting of September 10, 2003
 (Number) (Date)