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**SUBJECT:           REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION  
TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO  
SPONSOR THE SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM FOR  
CHILDREN 2004**

**COMMITTEE:       BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

The Florida Department of Education has requested that Miami-Dade County Public Schools sponsor the Summer Food Service Program for Children 2004. The Florida Department of Education has determined that funds are available to provide meals at no cost to students enrolled in programs where at least 50 percent of all students enrolled are determined to be economically needy, and are currently receiving meals without charge or at a reduced price. Funds are made available to the Board, as a sponsor of the Summer Food Service Program for Children 2004, to provide for the necessary administrative personnel to monitor this program.

Participation in this program requires the submission of an application to the Florida Department of Education no later than May 15, 2004.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to submit an application to the Florida Department of Education to sponsor the Summer Food Service Program for Children 2004.

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