

Rudolph F. Crew, Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE STELLAR (SCHOOLS TARGETING EXCELLENCE IN LITERACY, LEARNING, AND READING) PLAN

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

At the Board Meeting of October 20, 2004, the School Board approved Agenda Item A-9 and authorized the Superintendent to establish STELLAR (School Targeting Excellence in Literacy, Learning, and Reading) and implement a plan of action. STELLAR is comprised of 28 schools divided across the six Region Centers.

Authorization is requested to accept the implementation plan for the STELLAR schools. The goal of the STELLAR concept is to raise academic achievement and improve the literacy of students using the Continuous Improvement Model (CIM). The STELLAR Plan, in collaboration with Regional Centers and STELLAR Principals, targets leadership, instruction, and professional development in order to influence student performance.

Copies of the STELLAR Plan and supplemental attachments A and B will be transmitted to the School Board Members under separate cover and are available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, Room 924, and the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 NE Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to receive and approve the STELLAR (Schools Targeting Excellence in Literacy, Learning, and Reading) Plan.