

March 30, 2005

Alberto M. Carvalho, Associate Superintendent
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs and Grants Administration

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD
FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (FLDOE)
FOR FUNDING THE FLORIDA SAFETY, PREPAREDNESS, AND
RESPONSE COALITION (SPARC)**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Corporation for National and Community Service, Learn & Serve America School-Based Programs, awards grants to the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) to support homeland security-related service learning activities in the community and in schools. The purpose of this grant, entitled Florida Safety, Preparedness, and Response Coalition (SPARC), is to prepare schools and communities to address disaster preparation, mitigation, response and recovery; senior citizen safety; and school and community safety. The participating schools were identified based on their involvement in existing intergenerational learn and serve programs.

The Miami-Dade County Public Schools' (M-DCPS) Office of Community Services has received its first SPARC discretionary grant to implement an intergenerational service learning safety program. In accordance with the grant's specifications, M-DCPS is collaborating with the following community partners: Miami-Dade County Fire and Rescue Department, Miami-Dade County School Police, Miami Police Department, Miami Dade College School of Fire and Environmental Science, The Non-Violence Project USA, and Alliance for Aging, Inc. The community partners will assess security concerns and develop strategies to infuse service learning and homeland security activities in established intergenerational programs including: Youth and Elderly Against Crime; I CAN HELP! (Intergenerational Corps and Neighbors Helping the Elderly with Life-Safety Procedures); and The Community Task Force to Eliminate Bullying and Harassment in our Community.

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award from the FLDOE in the amount of \$49,432.85 to fund the SPARC Program for the grant period of January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005. Funds will be used for professional development of project teachers, training seminars for project students, substitute teacher coverage, student transportation, out-of-county travel, supplies, and printing. The community partners will cover the required in-kind match, valued at \$41,500 by providing professional development training for teachers and students, recruiting program mentors, providing materials for student presentations, and serving on the project's advisory council.

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A portion of the M-DCPS' SPARC project coordinator's salary, substitute teacher salaries, and student transportation costs meet the in-kind match requirement. Indirect cost is not allowed.

Official notification of this grant award was received on March 10, 2005, which is after the start of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective January 1, 2005.

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 (FLDOE) for funding the Florida Safety, Preparedness, and Response Coalition (SPARC) Program in the amount of \$49,432.85 for the grant period of January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005;
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 Operations to establish appropriations in the amounts approved or as amended by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

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: Florida Safety, Preparedness and Response Coalition (SPARC)

Grant Period Beginning January 1, 2005 Ending December 31, 2005
 (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							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300							
Instructional Staff Training	6400	5,000.00	533.00	2,000.00				
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	*						*
School Administration	7300							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7400							
Fiscal Services	7500							
Food Services	7600							
Central Services	7700	4,500.00		4,500.00				
Transportation Services	7800	11,250.00		11,250.00				
Operation of Plant	7900							
Maintenance of Plant	8100							
Community Services	9100	26,149.85	1,828.00	8,948.85		5,373.00		
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	49,432.85	15,000.00	2,361.00	26,698.85		5,373.00		

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of

Reviewed By *[Signature]*
 Division of Budget

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Agenda Item C-81 Board Meeting of April 13, 2005
 (Number) (Date)