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SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF AN INKJET COLOR PRINTER AND EDUCATIONAL SOFTWARE FROM THE LEXMARK CORPORATION FOR THE ART EDUCATION PROGRAM IN EACH SCHOOL

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The high cost of expanding technology into state schools has led Florida's First Lady Columba Bush to support a partnership with Lexmark International titled the Lexmark Print Art Educational Program. Each district in Florida may be a part of this nationwide, philanthropic program allowing every elementary, middle, and senior high school art program the opportunity to enhance education with the donation of an inkjet printer and software from Lexmark to be housed in the art room. If accepted, a letter of appreciation will be sent to the donor.

The Lexmark Print Art Educational Program donation includes the following:

- one photo-quality Lexmark inkjet printer with proper cabling and warranty;
- *Print Gallery* CD-ROM with more than 100 high resolution art masterpieces and narrative discussions on each artwork;
- two printer cartridges; and
- a teacher's guide with sample lessons for strategies integrating art, humanities, foreign language, math, and science in classrooms.

The donation would be made to the art education program in each school. The Division of Life Skills and Special Projects will coordinate the distribution of the donation.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, accept a donation of an inkjet printer and educational software from the Lexmark Corporation for the art education program in each school.

The annual cost to each school will average \$100.00 per year for replacement printer cartridges. Funds are available for this purpose in the school's materials and supplies budget.