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Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants Administration, and Community Services

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (FLDOE) FOR FUNDING UNDER TITLE II, PART A, STATE GRANTS, THE STUDENT TEACHER SUPPORT TEAM (ST²) MODEL FOR CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE), in the amount of \$500,000, to fund the Student Teacher Support Team (ST²) Model for continuous improvement under the Title II, Part A State Grants for the grant period of December 5, 2005, through September 30, 2006. Authorization is also requested to enter into a contractual agreement, in an amount not to exceed \$125,000, for the period of February 16, 2006, through September 30, 2006, with Nova Southeastern University to develop and implement a web-based professional development tool. The grant provides funds for the support and enhancement of the ST² Model for continuous improvement in twenty-six (26) critical, high-need elementary, middle, and senior high schools. This program is managed by the Office of Professional Development and jointly implemented with staff from Curriculum and Instruction, as well as Professional Development.

As part of the professional development framework to support STELLAR schools adopted by the Board, Item D-7, on February 16, 2005, this program reinforces and aligns school-based teams that include a professional development specialist, reading coach, and school psychologist who work collaboratively with teachers, parents, and school administrators to:

- collect and analyze ongoing progress monitoring of student data;
- prescribe targeted student interventions;
- identify instructional strategies aligned with the interventions; and
- tailor professional development activities to school site needs and thereby support necessary interventions and instructional strategies.

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No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the grant award. Grant funds will be used for personnel, in-service reimbursements, equipment, supplies, out-of-county travel, contracted services for delivery and development of professional modules, and contracted services for program evaluation.

Official notification of this grant award was received on January 3, 2006, which is after the start of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective December 5, 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 under Title II, Part A State Grants, the Student Teacher Support Team (ST²) Model for continuous improvement in the total amount of \$500,000, for the grant period of December 5, 2005, through September 30, 2006;
2. retain funds from the grant in an amount not to exceed the annually negotiated indirect cost rate, as allowed and approved by the FLDOE;
3. enter into a contractual agreement with Nova Southeastern University, in an amount not to exceed \$125,000, for the contract period of February 16, 2006, through September 30, 2006;
4. extend this program and all contractual agreements as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
5. 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: ST2 Team Model for Continuous Improvement Program
 Grant Period Beginning December 5, 2005 Ending September 30, 2006
 (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	294,439.00	24,509.00	125,000.00		45,000.00		
Instructional Staff Training	6400	164,993.00	8,859.00	74,410.00				
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	20,568.00*						20,568.00*
School Administration	7300							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7400							
Fiscal Services	7500							
Food Services	7600							
Central Services	7700	20,000.00		20,000.00				
Transportation Services	7800							
Operation of Plant	7900							
Maintenance of Plant	8100							
Community Services	9100							
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	500,000.00	181,654.00	33,368.00	219,410.00		45,000.00		20,568.00

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 20,568

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Reviewed By *[Signature]*
 Division of Budget

Agenda Item C-81 Board Meeting of February 15, 2006
 (Number) (Date)