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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 THE LEARNING FOR LIFE CHARACTER EDUCATION PROGRAM AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH LEARNING FOR LIFE, INC.

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award in the amount of \$460,000, from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE), and to enter into a contractual agreement with Learning for Life, Inc., in the amount of \$460,000, to implement the Character Education Program, for the grant period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007. The 2006 General Appropriations Act, Specific Appropriation 105A, authorized the FLDOE to award grants to selected school districts implementing Learning for Life Character Education Programs provided by Learning for Life, Inc. The purpose of the Learning for Life Character Education Program is to improve student life skills and student achievement, with a focus on reading, writing, critical thinking, and career preparation; to build student character, which includes the development of self-worth, self-confidence, motivation, and ethical decision-making skills; and to improve classroom behavior. The program is managed by the Division of Social Sciences, and supports the Superintendent's initiative of increasing academic achievement for all students.

No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the grant award. Grant funds will be used for contracted services. Indirect cost is not allowed.

Official notification of this grant award was received on August 18, 2006. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective July 1, 2006.

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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 Learning for Life Character Education Program in the amount of \$460,000, for the grant period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007;
2. enter into a contractual agreement with Learning for Life, Inc., in the amount of \$460,000, for the contract period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007;
3. extend this contractual agreement as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
4. 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.

AMC:mgl

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET SUMMARY FORM



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Yes
 No
 Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?

Entitlement Grant
 Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Learning for Life 2006-2007

Grant Period Beginning July 1, 2006 Ending June 30, 2007
 (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							
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	*						*
School Administration	7300							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7400							
Fiscal Services	7500							
Food Services	7600							
Central Services	7700							
Transportation Services	7800							
Operation of Plant	7900							
Maintenance of Plant	8100							
Community Services	9100			460,000.00				
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	460,000.00			460,000.00				

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of

Reviewed By *[Signature]*
 Division of Budget

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Agenda Item C-88 Board Meeting of October 11, 2006
 (Number) (Date)