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Curriculum and Instruction

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS WITH SUNRISE COMMUNITY, INC., AND UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY ASSOCIATION OF MIAMI, INC., TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL AND RELATED SERVICES TO PROFOUNDLY MENTALLY HANDICAPPED STUDENTS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$358,257, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT  
STRATEGIC PLAN: GENERAL OPERATIONS**

Authorization is requested for the Superintendent to enter into contractual agreements with Sunrise Community, Inc., and United Cerebral Palsy Association of Miami, Inc., to provide educational and related services for profoundly mentally handicapped (PMH) students who have complex medical conditions that prevent enrollment in public school settings.

Sunrise Community Inc., will provide services to a maximum of six (6) PMH students in an amount not to exceed \$119,419. This facility is located at 22300 SW 162 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33170. This contractual agreement has been in effect since 1977; the President and CEO of Sunrise Community, Inc., is Mr. Leslie Leech, Jr.

United Cerebral Palsy Association of Miami, Inc., will provide services to a maximum of 12 PMH students in an amount not to exceed \$238,838. This facility is located at 1411 NW 14 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33125. This contractual agreement has been in effect since 1976; the Executive Director of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Miami, Inc., is Dr. Debbie Terenzio.

The total cost for both programs will not exceed \$358,257. Funding for these contracts will be provided by FTE generated from the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP), based on the students' current Individual Educational Plans (IEPs) and their current matrix funding levels, effective July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008.

These programs are evaluated by administrative and support staff from the Division of Special Education. The evaluations, including facility reviews, site visits, and monitoring student records and program delivery models, found the programs effective in providing services to medically involved PMH students.

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The appropriation for this item will be included in the General Fund of the 2007-2008 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2007, under Fund 0100, Function 5217, Program 6840, Object 5310, Location 9731.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into contractual agreements with the following community agencies, in an amount not to exceed \$358,257, effective July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008:

1. Sunrise Community, Inc., to provide educational and related services to a maximum of six profoundly mentally handicapped students, in an amount not to exceed \$119,419 and
2. United Cerebral Palsy Association of Miami, Inc., to provide educational and related services to a maximum of 12 profoundly mentally handicapped students, in an amount not to exceed \$238,838

The appropriation for this item will be included in the General Fund of the 2007-2008 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2007.

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