

Alberto M. Carvalho, Associate Superintendent  
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants, Marketing, and Community Services

**SUBJECT:       REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD  
                  FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (FLDOE)  
                  FOR FUNDING THE TECH PREP PROGRAM UNDER THE CARL D.  
                  PERKINS VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT**

**COMMITTEE:   INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT**

**STRATEGIC PLAN:   IMPROVE RETURN ON INVESTMENT OF GRANT DOLLARS**

Authorization is requested to accept a grant award from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE), in the approximate amount of \$352,462, to fund the TECH Prep Program at Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) for the grant period of July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008. Under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006, the FLDOE authorized funding through a non-competitive grant process to promote a seamless transition between secondary school and post-secondary education. The grant will be managed by the Division of Student Services and supports the Superintendent's initiative, Seamless PreK-12 Curriculum.

The purpose of the grant is to provide students with extensive career-related experiences for students to build strategies that facilitate grade-level transitions. Through TECH Prep articulation agreements, between Miami-Dade County Public Schools and post-secondary institutions, students are able to connect their secondary programs of study to post-secondary education. In addition, the students participate in seminars, internships, mentoring programs, and develop portfolios to delineate their post-secondary choices.

TECH Prep requires close collaboration between post-secondary institutions to offer seamless programs that integrate rigorous academic and career and technical skills. The TECH Prep Program gives a specific place to focus collaboration efforts among colleges and high schools, and provide a structure for negotiating and maintaining articulation agreements.

The TECH Prep allocation for 2006-2007 was \$374,942; this year's allocation of \$352,462 represents a 6% decrease. No matching funds are a condition to receive the grant funding. Grant funds will provide for a fulltime curriculum support specialist, stipends, salaries, travel, contracted services, and supplies.

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Official notification of this grant award is anticipated late July 2007, which is after the start of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective July 1, 2007.

**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 TECH Prep Program under Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006, in the approximate amount of \$352,462, for the grant period of July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008;
2. extend this program as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
3. retain funds from the grant in an amount not to exceed the annually negotiated indirect cost rate, as allowed and approved by the FLDOE; 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.

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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: TECH Prep - Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act

Grant Period Beginning July 1, 2007 Ending June 30, 2008  
 (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	246,425.00	130,800.00	37,367.00		45,132.00		
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services	6100							
Instructional Media Services	6200							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300							
Instructional Staff Training	6400	79,276.00	58,000.00	15,000.00				
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	11,128.00*						11,128.00*
School Administration	7300							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7400							
Fiscal Services	7500							
Food Services	7600							
Central Services	7700							
Transportation Services	7800	15,633.00						
Operation of Plant	7900							
Maintenance of Plant	8100							
Community Services	9100							
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES		352,462.00	188,800.00	68,000.00		45,132.00		11,128.00

\*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of \$11,128.00

Reviewed By [Signature] Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:  
 Division of Budget Agenda Item C-84 Board Meeting of July 11, 2007  
 (Number) (Date)