

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

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (USDOE) FOR FUNDING UNDER THE TEACHING AMERICAN HISTORY GRANT AT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND TO ENTER INTO SEPARATE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS WITH FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (FIU), AND EDVANTIA

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 United States Department of Education (USDOE), in the total amount of \$1,739,378, to fund the Teaching American History program at Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) and to enter into separate contractual agreements with Edvantia for evaluation services totaling \$198,605, and with Florida International University (FIU) for educational services totaling \$359,115, for the grant period of August 27, 2007, through July 30, 2010. The purpose of this three-year grant is to provide 200 teachers of American history in 5th, 8th, and 11th grades with professional development at one of three levels of intensity – a Master Degree program, a workshop series or a lecture series – along with scholar-guided travel for high performers in each group. The grant will be managed by Curriculum and Instruction, Secondary Education, and supports the Superintendent's initiative to improve return on investment of grant dollars.

No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the grant funding. Grant funds will be used to fund one full-time Project Coordinator and one part-time Project Assistant with social studies expertise; equipment; out-of-county travel for grantee meetings required by funder; printing and supplies; textbooks; partial tuition for the Master Degree program; contracted services for professional development; teacher stipends; substitutes; and program evaluation.

In accordance with the terms of the grant application, authorization is requested to enter into separate contractual agreements totaling \$557,720, as listed below, serving schools throughout the District with a concentration on schools that do not meet or probably will not meet Annual Yearly Progress as defined by the No Child Left Behind Act. These institutions will collaborate in the design, implementation and program evaluation of the professional development opportunities provided through this grant in order to meet the goal of increasing teacher knowledge of American history.

Name	Amount	Services
Florida International University Noble David Cook, Ph.D. Chairman, History Department	\$359,115	To provide a Master Degree program in American History for 20 participants
Edvantia Doris Redfield, President	\$198,605	To conduct an external evaluation of grant performance using a quasi-experimental design as required by the funder.
Total Contractual Services	\$557,720	

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. accept a grant award from the United States Department of Education (USDOE) for the Teaching American History program in the total amount of \$1,739,378 (one lump sum) for the grant period of August 27, 2007, through July 30, 2010;
2. enter into separate contractual agreements for the grant period of August 27, 2007, through July 30, 2010, with:
 - a. Florida International University, in the amount of \$359,115; and
 - b. Edvantia, in the amount of \$198,605.
3. retain funds from the grant in an amount not to exceed the annually negotiated indirect cost rate, as allowed and approved by the USDOE;
4. extend this program and 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.

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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: Teaching American History

Grant Period Beginning August 27, 2007 Ending July 30, 2010
 (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:	6100							
Pupil Personnel Services	6200							
Instructional Media Services	6300							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6400	1,724,549.00	400,008.00	1,110,900.00		114,450.00	5,600.00	
Instructional Staff Training	7100							
Board of Education	7200	14,829.00 *						14,829.00 *
General Administration	7300							
School Administration	7400							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7500							
Fiscal Services	7600							
Food Services	7700							
Central Services	7800							
Transportation Services	7900							
Operation of Plant	8100							
Maintenance of Plant	9100							
Community Services	9200							
Debt								
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	1,739,378.00	400,008.00	93,591.00	1,110,900.00		114,450.00	5,600.00	14,829.00

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of \$14,829.00

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Reviewed By [Signature]
 Division of Budget

Agenda Item C-84 Board Meeting of August 1, 2007
 (Number) (Date)