

October 3, 2007

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

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR FAMILY LITERACY (NCFL), FOR FUNDING THE TOYOTA FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM (TFLP) AT ETHEL KOGER BECKHAM, ZORA NEALE HURSTON, AND RIVERSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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 National Center for Family Literacy (NCFL), to fund the Toyota Family Literacy Program (TFLP) at Ethel Koger Beckham, Zora Neale Hurston and Riverside Elementary Schools, in the approximate amount of \$249,600, for the grant period of August 1, 2007, through June 30, 2010. This prestigious program targets Hispanic families and provides a fully integrated family literacy program, which includes age appropriate education for children, adult education, parenting education, and Parent and Child Together (PACT) interactive literacy activities. The purpose of TFLP is to support the academic achievement of children in grades kindergarten through third grade (K-3) by bringing together parents and their children as learners in the elementary school setting. The grant will be managed by the Division of Early Childhood Programs, in collaboration with the Division of Bilingual Education and World Languages.

The District will establish a four-component family literacy program model that provides integrated services to Hispanic families in the three elementary schools. NCFL encouraged applicants to include elementary schools with proven capacity to implement family literacy initiatives as evidenced by existing programs. The schools were selected based on the following: prior implementation of an Even Start program; high percentage of Hispanic students; high percentage of students eligible for free and reduced price lunch; and the commitment of school principal and staff to adhere to required training schedule and site visits.

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In addition to the direct funding the District will receive services, valued at \$275,000, to include training and technical assistance support, research/data collection and analysis, media coverage, materials and resources, funding for attendance at NCFL's National Conference, and project oversight.

Grant funds will be used to fund a part-time project coordinator, stipends for school site personnel who will be implementing the program, substitutes and hourly personnel. As part of the award, an amount of \$8,200 per year will be used to provide childcare services for parents who need those services in order to attend TFLP classes. The District is required to provide in-kind support through a portion of salaries and fringe benefits for school site and District personnel, facilities, testing materials, assessments, and office supplies.

Official notification of this grant award was received on August 13, 2007, which is after the start of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective August 1, 2007.

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

1. accept a grant award from the National Center for Family Literacy (NFCL) for funding under the Toyota Family Literacy Program at Ethel Koger Beckham, Zora Neal Hurston, and Riverside Elementary Schools, in the approximate amount of \$249,600, for the grant period of August 1, 2007, through June 30, 2010;
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. extend this program 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

OFFICE OF BUDGET
 MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
 PUBLIC SCHOOLS



Yes No Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?
 Entitlement Grant Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: The National Center for Family Literacy Toyota Family Literacy Program

Grant Period Beginning August 1, 2007 Ending June 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	216,887.00	143,596.00	29,393.00		43,898.00		
SUPPORT SERVICES:	6100							
Pupil Personnel Services	6200							
Instructional Media Services	6300							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6400							
Instructional Staff Training	7100							
Board of Education	7200	8,112.00*						8,112.00*
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	24,601.00	20,421.00	4,180.00				
Community Services	9200							
Debt								
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES		249,600.00	164,017.00	33,573.00		43,898.00		8,112.00

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of \$8,112.00

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Reviewed By [Signature]
 Division of Budget

Agenda Item C-88 Board Meeting of October 17, 2007
 (Number) (Date)