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**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A
 CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT TO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM
 THE EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MIAMI DADE/MONROE
 (ELCMD/M), TO PROVIDE STIPENDS TO VOLUNTARY PRE-
 KINDERGARTEN (VPK) TEACHERS FOR LITERACY TRAINING**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
 ENGAGEMENT**

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE RETURN ON INVESTMENT OF GRANT DOLLARS

Authorization is requested to enter into a contractual agreement to receive funding from the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe (ELCMD/M), in the approximate amount of \$76,000, to provide stipends to Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) teachers for literacy training, for the period of May 22, 2008 through June 30, 2008. The District has partnered with the ELCMD/M in the Ready School Miami Initiative to support school readiness for children through a variety of innovative pre-kindergarten and early learning programs. The program will be managed by the Division of Early Childhood Programs and supports the District's goal to ensure achievement of high academic standards by all students.

The District and ELCMD/M have established a cross agency curriculum alignment sub-group whose task is to explore opportunities and develop processes for greater collaboration in the delivery of quality instruction. As a result, the group has identified the opportunity to collaborate in literacy training for VPK teachers in both organizations. Outcomes are expected to include a more unified professional development delivery system as well as an aligned curriculum approach from the early learning providers to elementary schools.

No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the funding. Funds will be used to provide stipends for VPK teachers who complete literacy training. The training will be provided by the Division of Early Childhood Programs and the curriculum provider.

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

1. enter into a contractual agreement to receive funding from the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe (ELCMD/M), in the approximate amount of \$76,000, to provide stipends to Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) teachers for literacy training, for the period of May 22, 2008 through June 30, 2008;
2. extend this contractual agreement as authorized through official notification from the contracting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
3. 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.

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET SUMMARY FORM



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

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Early Learning Coalition - Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten Teachers Literacy Training

Grant Period Beginning May 22, 2008 Ending June 30, 2008 (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	68,834.00	7,166.00					
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							
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	76,000.00	68,834.00	7,166.00					

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Reviewed By [Signature]
 Division of Budget

Agenda Item C-83 Board Meeting of May 21, 2008
 (Number) (Date)