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Curriculum and Instruction

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE CONTINUATION OF FULL SERVICE SCHOOLS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2008, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN: ENHANCED STUDENT WELLNESS EDUCATION**

The 2008 Florida Legislature has appropriated \$965,769 to the Miami-Dade County Health Department (M-DCHD) as the fiscal agent for Full Service Schools. The Full Service Schools initiative has been a collaborative project between Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) and the M-DCHD for 17 years. This year, the Full Service School model, in accordance with the 2008 Florida Legislation, will transition into the new Health Connect in Our Schools (HCiOS) program approved on February 15, 2006, by the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida. Miami-Dade County Health Department is entering into a contractual agreement with Miami-Dade County Public Schools in the amount of \$800,000 to maintain 23 Full Service Schools at the following schools:

Hialeah Senior High	Norland Middle
James H. Bright Elementary	Miami Norland Senior High
L. C. Evans Elementary	Miami Beach Senior High
Poinciana Park Elementary	Biscayne Elementary
Charles R. Drew Elementary	L.C. Saunders Elementary
Miami Park Elementary	Homestead Senior High
Madison Middle	Gratigny Elementary
Frederick Douglass Elementary	Phillis Wheatley Elementary
Paul Dunbar Elementary	Toussaint L'ouverture Elementary
L.B. Smith Elementary	Shadowlawn Elementary
Allapattah Middle	Opa-Locka Elementary
Norland Elementary	

The selection for the schools were based on a needs assessment, including free and reduced lunch and a Health Connect in Our School (HCiOS) rubric score showing high levels of need in multiple areas including school grade, homeless rate, and failed screenings; effective August 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009.

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This funding will be used for school social workers and school health aides at elementary, middle, and senior high full service school sites in order to serve the health, social, and emotional needs of our students and families. Additionally, the staff will fulfill the criteria established by the M-DCHD and HClOS to sustain the initiative.

The Executive Administrator for Miami-Dade County Health Department is Ms. Lillian Rivera.

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

1. enter into a contractual agreement with the Miami-Dade County Health Department to utilize funds appropriated by the state to this agency for the continuation of Full Service Schools in Miami-Dade County Public Schools, effective August 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009; and
2. direct Financial Affairs to establish revenues and appropriations in the amount of \$800,000; such appropriations to be reported periodically to The School Board.

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