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School Operations

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF FEE INCREASES FOR THE GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (GED) TEST AND ITS SUBTESTS

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE AND EXPAND CURRENT ADULT/VOCATIONAL AND ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

State Board of Education Rule 6A-6.021, amended August 19, 2008, permits each designated testing center to establish a fee of not less than the combined national and state-required charges no more than \$70 for each applicant taking the entire battery of the General Educational Development (GED) test. According to the rule, a fee of not more than \$14 shall be paid by each candidate for each retake of the Science, Social Studies, Language Arts Reading, and Math sections of the test. Additionally, the fee to retake the Writing Skills Test shall not be more than \$16.00.

It is recommended that the following fee increases, effective October 16, 2008, be authorized for the purpose of defraying costs resulting from a test pricing increase.

Proposed Fees for the State of Florida High School Diploma (GED) Test

	<u>To Date</u>	<u>Effective October 16, 2008</u>
Entire Battery of five tests	\$50	\$70
Retake of Language Arts Reading, Science, Social Studies, and Math Tests	\$10	\$14
Retake of Writing Skills Test	\$10	\$16
Conversion of Out-of-State Scores		\$10

No local funds are required.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to approve fee increases as permitted by State Board of Education Rule 6A-6.021, for the General Educational Development (GED) test and its subtests, effective October 16, 2008.

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