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Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants Administration, and Community Services

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT
AWARD FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT
OF EDUCATION (USDOE) TO FUND THE EDUCATION
COUNCIL OF INTERNATIONAL CITIES (ECIC)
INITIATIVE**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
PLAN FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

Authorization is requested to accept a new grant award from the United States Department of Education (USDOE), in the approximate amount of \$143,000, to fund the Education Council of International Cities (ECIC) Initiative for the period of October 1, 2009, through September 30, 2010. This is an Earmark Legislative Appropriation under the Fund for the Improvement of Education, sponsored by Honorable Lincoln Diaz-Balart and Honorable Kendrick Meek, Members of Congress. The purpose of the grant is to identify rigorous curriculum standards and educational practices utilized worldwide and to develop a plan of action to apply these standards and practices within the District. The grant will be managed by Curriculum and Instruction, in collaboration with the Office of Program Evaluation.

The program includes the following activities: 1) to research and synthesize literature on global education and best practices in curriculum and instruction, including international comparisons; 2) develop a target list of high-performing cities and/or nations as determined through the review of the literature; 3) develop a self-assessment survey for the targeted cities and/or nations which will elicit best practices in curriculum and instruction that contribute to high academic performance in reading, mathematics, and science; 4) administer and analyze these self-assessments; and 5) develop a plan of action to apply the identified standards and practices within the District.

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No matching funds are required as a condition to receive these grant funds. Grant funds will be used for contractual services, part-time hourly staff for project coordination and evaluation activities, in-county travel, supplies, and printing/duplication.

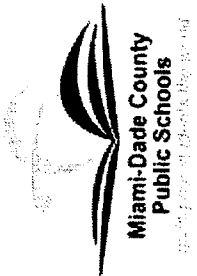
Official notification of this grant was received on August 3, 2009. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective October 1, 2009.

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), in the approximate amount of \$143,000, to fund the Education Council of International Cities (ECIC) Initiative, for the grant period of October 1, 2009, through September 30, 2010;
2. retain funds from the grant in an amount not to exceed the annual negotiated indirect cost rate, as allowed and approved by the USDOE;
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 Services 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



Yes
 No
 Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?

Entitlement Grant
 Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Education Council of International Cities Initiative
 Grant Period Beginning October 1, 2009 Ending September 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:								
Pupil Personnel Services	6100							
Instructional Media Services	6200							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300							
Instructional Staff Training	6400							
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	5,081.00*						5,081.00*
School Administration	7300							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7400							
Fiscal Services	7500							
Food Services	7600							
Central Services	7700	54,330.00	11,170.00	52,000.00		20,419.00		
Transportation Services	7800							
Operation of Plant	7900							
Maintenance of Plant	8100							
Community Services	9100							
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	143,000.00	54,330.00	11,170.00	52,000.00		20,419.00		5,081.00

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of \$5,081.00

Reviewed By [Signature] Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization: _____
 Division of Budget Agenda Item C-80 Board Meeting of February 10, 2010
 (Number) (Date)