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**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT
AWARD FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION (FLDOE) UNDER THE TRANSITION
PROGRAM FOR ADULT LEARNERS INTO
POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

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

Authorization is requested to accept a new competitive grant award from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE), under the Transition Program for Adult Learners into Postsecondary Education, to support the Miami-Dade Transition Partnership, in the approximate amount of \$100,000, for the grant period of November 17, 2009 through June 30, 2011. FLDOE issued a competitive request for District and college Adult General Education (AGE) providers to develop improved linkages for students progressing to postsecondary adult/vocational or college education from AGE programs, which include adult basic education, English for Speakers of Other Languages, and General Educational Development (GED) certificates. The Miami-Dade Transition Partnership is designed to transform the AGE transitions process within Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), and also between M-DCPS and Miami Dade College (MDC), by facilitating student transitions from AGE to postsecondary opportunities. The grant will be managed by District/School Operations, Division of Adult and Workforce Education and supports the Superintendent's initiative to improve curriculum by transitioning adult students to postsecondary opportunities.

The Miami-Dade Transition Partnership is an agreement for collaboration and data sharing established by a Memorandum of Understanding between M-DCPS and MDC in order to improve transitions between AGE and postsecondary programs at either institution. The project will engage an independent analyst to assess gaps between AGE and postsecondary programs, identify solutions that better link M-DCPS students to postsecondary opportunities, and provide professional development during the pilot project for instructors and counselors, open to personnel from both institutions, addressing transition-related topics. Pilot activities include assisting individual AGE students who show interest in transitioning to college or postsecondary career and technical education, via student orientations, counseling, and workshops.

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The following schools will participate in the pilot project: Miami Sunset Adult Center; South Dade Adult Center; and Robert Morgan Vocational Technical Center. The pilot schools were selected in collaboration with MDC based on a review of transition data for all schools and the proximity of these centers to two MDC campuses. Impacts of the pilot project will be evaluated and effective practices will be incorporated into professional development for district-wide dissemination to other adult, skill, and technical education centers by the end of the grant period.

No matching funds are required as a condition to receive this grant funding. The grant will fund hourly personnel, contracts, supplies, in-county travel, and dues and fees. Indirect cost is not allowed. Official notification of this grant was received on February 1, 2010. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective November 17, 2009.

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

1. accept a grant award from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) in the amount of \$100,000, under the Transition Program for Adult Learners into Postsecondary Education to support the Miami-Dade Transition Partnership, from November 17, 2009 to June 30, 2011;
2. extend this program and contractual agreements as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
3. 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.

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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: Transition Program for Adult Learners into Postsecondary Education

Grant Period Beginning November 17, 2009 Ending June 30, 2011
 (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	84,446.00	52,434.00	10,781.00	14,620.00		4,611.00		2,000.00
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services	6100							
Instructional Media Services	6200							
Instruction & Curriculum Development	6300							
Instructional Staff Training	6400	10,000.00	1,054.00					
Board of Education	7100							
General Administration	7200	*						*
School Administration	7300							
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	7400							
Fiscal Services	7500							
Food Services	7600							
Central Services	7700			4,500.00				
Transportation Services	7800							
Operation of Plant	7900							
Maintenance of Plant	8100							
Community Services	9100							
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	100,000.00	62,434.00	11,835.00	19,120.00		4,611.00		2,000.00

* Includes Federal Indirect Costs of _____

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Reviewed By [Signature]
 Division of Budget
 Agenda Item C-82 Board Meeting of May 12, 2010
 (Number) (Date)

