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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  
COMMERCE FOR FUNDING UNDER THE AMERICAN  
RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) 2009 - 2010  
BROADBAND TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM**

**COMMITTEE:               INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT**

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

Authorization is requested to accept a new, highly competitive grant award from the United States Department of Commerce, in the approximate amount of \$3,473,498, under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) 2009 – 2010 Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) for the grant period of February 1, 2010 to January 31, 2013. The BTOP Statutory Purpose addressed in the District's proposal is to provide broadband education, awareness, training, access, equipment, and support to community anchor institutions, job creating strategic facilities, and vulnerable populations. The grant will be managed by Information Technology.

The purpose of the Get Global-Get Connected program is to: ensure broadband awareness to over 345,458 students and their families countywide; provide 6,000 students/families with computers; provide 10,000 low-income families with free broadband internet service, along with technology skills training for the targeted sub-group of 30,000 free/reduced lunch students/families from the 35 Differentiated Accountability schools. The program has built upon school district successes in implementing technology-infused instruction and various digital inclusion strategies including the Superintendent's Links to Learning Program, "one-to-one" technology-integrating technology in the classroom assigning one computer per student to be used in and out of the classroom, the Elevate Miami-Rites of Passage Program in partnership with the City of Miami, and The Education Fund's Family Tech Program.

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An in-kind match of learning software has been approved as a match for the purposes of this award. The grant funds will cover costs for program coordination, hourly trainers for family workshops, school liaison stipends, software development, computers, internet connectivity, activities for a community-wide awareness campaign focused on the value of getting connected, and indirect costs.

Official notification of this grant award was received on March 10, 2010, which is after the start of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective February 1, 2010.

**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 Commerce in the approximate amount of \$3,473,498, for funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) 2009 – 2010 Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for the grant period of February 1, 2010 through January 31, 2013;
2. retain funds from the grant in an amount not to exceed the annual negotiated indirect cost rate, as allowed and approved by the FLDOE;
3. extend this contract and 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.

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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?

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Broadband Technology Opportunities Program

Entitlement Grant

Non-Entitlement/Contract

Grant Period Beginning February 1, 2010 Ending January 31, 2013  
(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		739.00					
Board of Education	7100	7,000.00						
General Administration	7200							19,953.00*
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	3,445,806.00	70,620.00	1,904,666.00			1,200,000.00	
Debt	9200							
<b>TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES</b>		<b>3,473,498.00</b>	<b>71,359.00</b>	<b>1,904,666.00</b>			<b>1,200,000.00</b>	<b>19,953.00</b>

\*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of \$19,953.00

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:

Reviewed By [Signature] Board Meeting of May 12, 2010  
 Division of Budget [Signature] (Date)  
 Agenda Item C-83 (Number)

