Freddie Woodson, Deputy Superintendent **District/School Operations**

SUBJECT:

REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE (DJJ) IN THE DELIVERY OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO STUDENTS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF DJJ

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO STRATEGIC

FRAMEWORK:

EDUCATION

The purpose of this cooperative agreement is to ensure the implementation of applicable provisions of Sections 1003.52, Florida Statutes and Rule 6A-6.05281, Florida Administrative Code (FAC) relative to services and funding of educational programs for youth assigned to Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) facilities.

Section 1003.52 (131) Florida Statutes, requires each school district to negotiate a cooperative agreement with DJJ regarding the delivery of educational programs and services to students under their jurisdiction.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) and DJJ mutually agree to plan and implement a process and procedure for sharing information that will result in improved services to youth at risk and those involved in the juvenile justice system. DJJ operates detention, residential, and/or nonresidential programs, either directly or through private service providers, and to which Miami-Dade County students have been assigned by the courts.

The cooperative agreement will also require commitments on the part of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and DJJ to agree to a collaborative effort in planning, implementing, and evaluating education programs which meet statutory requirements for students served by designated DJJ facilities.

The educational components will be administered and/or monitored by the Educational Alternative Outreach Program (EAOP). Funds for implementing the M-DCPS portion of this agreement will be generated by FTE funding in accordance to the Florida Educational Finance Program (FEFP) and the Supplemental Academic Instruction Program for youth in DJJ programs.

There is no exchange of funds.

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RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into cooperative agreements with the State Department of Juvenile Justice, effective February 15, 2012 through June 30, 2015. There is no exchange of funds.

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