

February 29, 2000

Federal Programs and Grants Administration
John Johnson II, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FUNDING THE EVEN START FAMILY LITERACY GRANT, REIMBURSABLE COST PERIOD, OCTOBER 1, 1999 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2000

The Even Start Family Literacy Program is a federally-funded program designed to enhance the educational opportunities of the nation's adults, preschool and primary age children. The principal focus of the program is to help parents become full partners in the educational process of their children. Miami-Dade County Public Schools, in partnership with the University of Florida Cooperative Extension Service, received funds to implement the Even Start Family Literacy Program at D.A. Dorsey Education Center.

Program activities are designed to include group meetings and a lending library of family literacy materials. During home visits, information will be provided on child development and stimulation techniques for children, birth to seven years old. Educational and medical screening for infants and toddlers and referrals for special services will also be provided. Participation is voluntary for those who meet the criteria and are willing to comply with program requirements. Family support services will be provided in English, Spanish, and Haitian-Creole utilizing strategies which reflect the cultures of participating families. Additionally, program personnel will be provided opportunities to obtain the Child Development Associate (CDA) credential.

During the 1998-99 school year, this project was funded in the amount of \$136,820. Funds in the amount of \$123,138 are being awarded for the second year of this grant. Funds will be used for personnel, contracted services, travel, and supplies. Required matching funds in the amount of \$82,092 will be provided from the in-kind services of district personnel and the Florida Parents to Kids grant initiative.

Official notification relative to this grant award was received on February 14, 2000, which is after the start of the budget period. The budget period for this award allows for the reimbursement of expenditures from October 1, 1999.

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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, in the amount of \$123,138, for funding the Even Start Family Literacy Grant, reimbursable cost period, October 1, 1999 – September 30, 2000; and
2. Financial Affairs to establish appropriations in the amounts approved 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: Even Start Family Literacy Continuation Grant

Entitlement Grant
 Non-Entitlement/Contract

Grant Period Beginning October 1, 1999 Ending September 30, 2000
 (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	*						*
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	123,138	85,711	21,667	6,000	9,760		
Debt	9200							
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES		123,138	85,711	21,667	6,000	9,760		

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of

Reviewed By Judith A Webb Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization: _____
 Division of Budget _____ Agenda Item F-4 Board Meeting of March 15, 2000 (Date)
 (Number)