

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH TIME FOR KIDS TO PROVIDE FREE *TIME FOR KIDS* SUBSCRIPTIONS TO ALL FIFTH GRADE STUDENTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE 2000-2001 SCHOOL YEAR

TIME For Kids and Volvo have teamed up to create a school-business partnership that will benefit 12 urban school districts by providing free *TIME For Kids* subscriptions to all fifth graders for the 2000-2001 school year. Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) is one of the districts selected to participate in this unique program.

TIME For Kids helps students practice skills that are tested on important state and national assessments. The content of *TIME For Kids* is correlated to the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) on a weekly basis. It also promotes strong family involvement. During the 1999-2000 school year, *TIME For Kids* was used successfully to enhance the curriculum in selected elementary schools throughout the District. Through this cooperative agreement, *TIME For Kids* will provide M-DCPS with subscriptions and supplementary materials.

The president of *TIME For Kids* is Ms. Leanna Landsmann.

No local funds are required.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into a cooperative agreement with *TIME For Kids* to provide free *TIME For Kids* subscriptions to all fifth grade students in Miami-Dade County Public Schools for the 2000-2001 school year.

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