

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL TO EXTEND THE
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY, INC., CHARTER SCHOOL
CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT FOR TWO ADDITIONAL YEARS
BEGINNING WITH THE 2001-2002 SCHOOL YEAR**

Florida International Academy, Inc., has requested that the term of their initial charter school contractual agreement be extended from 3 years to 5 years for the 2001-2002 school year through the 2002-2003 school year. As per Section 228.056(9)16(c), Florida Statutes, a charter may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term upon the recommendation of the sponsor and the approval of both parties to the agreement.

This amended charter school contractual agreement has been reviewed and revised by the appropriate Miami-Dade County Public Schools' support staff during the contract negotiation process. In addition, compliance with the guidelines and procedures of the Section 286.011, F.S. were followed.

The original charter school contractual agreement was approved by the School Board on June 10, 1998, for a three-year period from July 31, 1998 through June 30, 2001. The school, located at 13250 NW 28th Avenue, Opa-Locka, Florida 33054, currently serves 142 students in grades 6 through 8.

A copy of the amended charter school contractual agreement will be placed on file, and will be available for inspection in the School Board members' office, in the Office of the Board Recording Secretary, and the Citizen Information Center.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the extension of the Florida International Academy, Inc., charter school contractual agreement for two additional years beginning with the 2001-2002 school year.

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