

Education  
Mercedes Toural, Associate Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH CORAL REEF MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL**

As per Section 228.056(10)16(c), Florida Statutes, a charter school contractual agreement 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.

Coral Reef Montessori Charter School has requested an increase in its enrollment capacity from 210 to 500 students, the addition of grades seven and eight, to the current kindergarten through grade six, a change of location from its present facility to SW 107 Avenue and 216 Street, Miami, Florida and changes in the Grading and Reporting of Students. The Charter School Contract Review Committee met on March 20, 2002, and by a majority vote, made a recommendation for approval of the amendment to the charter school contractual agreement.

The original charter school contractual agreement was approved by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, on May 13, 1998, for a 3-year period from July 1, 1998 through June 30, 2001, and subsequently extended to 10 years through the 2007-2008 school year.

Coral Reef Montessori Academy Charter School will be open to any student residing in Miami-Dade County. District schools in close proximity to the charter school include:

| School                  | Student Population | Percentage Utilization (Permanent Capacity) | Percentage Utilization (Permanent and Relocatable Program Capacity) | Number of Relocatables |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---|---|------------------------|
| Bel-Aire Elementary     | 749                | 129   | 113   | 10                     |
| Cutler Ridge Elementary | 1,103              | 104   | 102   | 1                      |
| Gulfstream Elementary   | 688                | 108   | 90  | 15                     |

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|-----------------------------|--------------------|---|---|------------------------|
| Dr. E.L. Whigham Elementary | 1,036              | 122   | 122   | 0                      |
| Centennial Middle           | 1,175              | 99  | 94  | 5                      |
| Cutler Ridge Middle         | 1,596              | 136   | 126   | 8                      |

The following is the current Board of Directors for Coral Reef Montessori Academy Charter School: Ms. Elsie Hamler, Chairperson; Ms. Kim Cobaugh, Member; Mr. Ray Fauntroy, Member; Ms. Karen Fraser, Member; Mr. Victor Golden, Member; Ms. Maria Singer, Member; Mr. Nestor Torres, Member; and Ms. Geraldine Townsend, Member.

A copy of the amendment to 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 Board Recording Secretary, and the Citizen Information Center.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the amendment to the Amended Charter School Contractual Agreement for Coral Reef Montessori Academy Charter School beginning with the 2002-2003 school year to:

1. increase its enrollment capacity to 500 students;
2. add grades seven and eight;
3. change its location to SW 107 Avenue and 216 Street, Miami, Florida; and
4. change the Grading and Reporting of Students.

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