

Education  
Mercedes Toural, Associate Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE 2002-2003  
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION PROGRAM FEE SCHEDULE  
AND TO ESTABLISH A STANDARDIZED STUDENT PAYMENT POLICY**

The Florida General Appropriations Act is silent on fees for Workforce Development Education programs. Therefore, the following is based on the fee schedule approved by the Florida Board of Education in December 2001. The 2002-2003 fees comprise the required local effort for the adult vocational and adult general education programs that fall under the Workforce Development category.

**2002-2003 Workforce Development Education Fee Schedule**

| <u>CATEGORY</u>   | <u>CURRENT<br/>COST PER<br/>CONTACT HOUR</u> | <u>PROPOSED<br/>COST PER<br/>CONTACT HOUR</u> | <u>%<br/>CHANGE</u> |
|---|--|---|---------------------|
| Resident Vocational Certificate (PSAV)<br>or Applied Technology Diploma | \$ 1.50                                      | 1.52  | +1%                 |
| Non-Resident Vocational Certificate                                     | 5.98   | 6.08  | +2%                 |
| Resident Adult General Education  | .69  | .75   | +9%                 |
| Non-Resident Adult General Education                                    | 2.71   | 3.00  | +11%                |
| Resident Continuing Workforce Education                                 | 3.65   | 3.04  | -17%                |
| Non-Resident Continuing Workforce Education                             | 3.65   | 3.04  | -17%                |

Section 239.117(6)(a), Florida Statutes, provides legislative policy for determining fees for Workforce Development programs. In addition, Section 239.117(8), Florida Statutes, provides that each school board and community college may collect up to an additional 10 percent for financial aid purposes. The 2002-2003 fees recommended include the 10 percent financial aid fee.

In 1999, the method for establishing fees for Continuing Workforce Education shifted to local school districts and community colleges. Section 239.117(6)(b), Florida Statutes, states, "*Fees for continuing workforce education shall be locally determined by the school board or community colleges. However, at least 50 percent of the expenditures for the continuing workforce education programs provided by the community college or school district must be derived from fees.*"

No local funds are required.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. approve the 2002-2003 Workforce Development Education Program fee schedule; and
2. authorize the Superintendent to calculate and implement the 2002-2003 Workforce Development Education fee.

No local funds are required.

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