

Education  
Mercedes Toural, Associate Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO RENEW COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH DESIGNATED NONPROFIT AGENCIES IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR THE 2002 SUMMER SESSION AND THE 2002-2003 SCHOOL YEAR**

In compliance with Section 230.23 (4)(c), (j) and (n), Florida Statutes, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) Office of Adult/Vocational and Alternative Education, designated governmental agencies, and designated private, nonprofit agencies in Miami-Dade County, Florida, have developed cooperative agreements providing educational services for school-age students for the 2002 summer session and the 2002-2003 school year.

The agreements involve commitments on the part of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and of the designated agencies in Miami-Dade County, Florida, as outlined in the cooperative agreements:

1. M-DCPS will provide an educational program, including teachers, materials, and equipment (not including furniture), on the same basis as provided to regular classes within M-DCPS. The supervision of teachers will be provided by the principal of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program.
2. The designated agencies will provide classroom space in existing buildings that meet state specifications, furniture, records of school-age students, and notification of students' discharge.

The educational component is a part of the Educational Alternative Outreach Program, Office of Adult/Vocational and Alternative Education, which provides related services and supervision. The designated agencies are as follows:

Governmental Agencies

Miami Halfway House  
Turner Guilford Knight Detention Centers  
Women's Detention Center

Private, Nonprofit Agencies

Catholic Services, Inc.  
CHARLEE of Dade County  
Everglades Youth Development Center  
Excel Shelter  
Here's Help North

Private, Nonprofit Agencies

Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent  
Substance Abuse Program  
McLamore Center  
Miami Bridge, Inc.  
Northwest Dade Center/RITS  
The Village  
TROY Academy  
South Miami Hospital Addiction Treatment  
Program

Mr. Francisco Brizuela is the Program Director of Catholic Services, Inc.; Mr. Steve Manne is the Executive Director of CHARLEE of Dade County; Mr. Todd Speight is the Facility Administrator for Everglades Youth Development Center; Ms. Jill M. Volovar is the Program Administrator for Excel Shelter; Mr. John Kross is the C.E.O. of Here's Help North; Ms. Eve Sakran is the Program Director of the Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent Substance Abuse Program; Ms. Sara Herald is the Regional Vice-President for the McLamore Center; Ms. Joan Shaw is the Program Director of Miami Bridge, Inc.; Ms. Maria Alonso Martinez is the Chief Operating Officer of Northwest Dade Center/RITS; Ms. Nicole Buddle is the Program Director for The Village; Ms. Jennifer Schuster is the Program Director of TROY Academy; and Mr. Marino E. Carbonel is the Director for the South Miami Hospital Addiction Treatment Program.

The funds necessary for implementing Miami-Dade County Public Schools' portion of the agreements will be provided by FTE generated through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP). The summer program will be provided through the Supplemental Academic Instruction Program. In the event that a subsequent proration of funds is incurred by the district due to economic conditions, the allocation of teachers, materials, supplies, and equipment may be reduced.

No exchange of funds is required for these programs.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2002-2003 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2002 under Fund 0100, Function 5120, Program 6040, Object 5144, Location 8017. This budget structure is provided to reflect M-DCPS' internal expenditures.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into cooperative agreements with the following:

1. governmental agencies to provide educational services for students at Miami Halfway House, Turner Guilford Knight Detention Centers, and Women's Detention Center;
2. private, nonprofit agencies to provide educational services for students at Catholic Services, Inc.; CHARLEE of Dade County, Everglades Youth Development Center; Excel Shelter; Here's Help North; Highland Park Pavilion/Adolescent Substance Abuse Program; McLamore Center; Miami Bridge, Inc.; Northwest Dade Center/RITS; The Village; TROY Academy; and the South Miami Hospital Addiction Treatment Program; and
3. renew these cooperative agreements annually for up to two additional one-year periods.

No exchange of funds is required for these programs.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2002-2003 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2002. This budget structure is provided to reflect internal expenditures for M-DCPS.

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