

June 4, 2003

Mercedes Toural, Chief Education Officer  
and Deputy Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT:           REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO  
ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS WITH FLORIDA  
INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, MIAMI-DADE COMMUNITY  
COLLEGE, AND ST. THOMAS UNIVERSITY FOR DUAL  
ENROLLMENT SERVICES**

**COMMITTEE:       EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS**

Magnet programs/schools are unique educational programs operating within the district for which special resources are provided, including dual enrollment/credit opportunities for students at private and public colleges and universities within Miami-Dade County. The proposed dual enrollment services will take place as indicated below in an amount not to exceed \$193,250, from July 7, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

<b>College/University</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Florida International University	\$102,050
Miami-Dade Community College	\$80,200
St. Thomas University	\$11,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$193,250</b>

The Professional Services Contract Committee established by School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3F-1.021 reviewed the contractual agreement on May 29, 2003, and recommended that an exception to the rule regarding bids or Request for Proposals be granted because the institutions have specific expertise in their respective areas.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the General Fund of the 2003-2004 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2003, under Fund 0100, Object 5310, various locations, magnet programs, Function 5103.

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

1. authorize the Superintendent to enter into contractual agreements with Florida International University, in an amount not to exceed \$102,050; Miami-Dade Community College, in an amount not to exceed \$80,200; and St. Thomas University, in an amount not to exceed \$11,000; for a total amount not to exceed \$193,250, for dual enrollment services for magnet programs/schools from July 7, 2003 through June 30, 2004; and
2. grant an exception to School Board Rule 6Gx13- 3F-1.021.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the General Fund of the 2003-2004 Tentative Budget to be recommended for adoption in July 2003.

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