Freddie Woodson, Deputy Superintendent District/School Operations

SUBJECT:

REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ACCEPT AN INCREASE IN THE DISTRICT'S AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM DAILY STUDENT FEES FROM \$6.00 PER DAY TO \$7.00 PER DAY, ALL DAY CARE PROGRAM DAILY STUDENT FEES FROM \$17.00 PER DAY TO \$18.00 PER DAY, STORY HOUR CARE PROGRAM DAILY STUDENT FEES FROM \$3.00 PER DAY TO \$4.00 PER DAY, AND BEFORE CARE PROGRAM DAILY STUDENT FEES FROM \$3.00 PER DAY TO \$4.00 PER DAY, TO BE IMPLEMENTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

COMMITTEE:

INSTRUCTIONAL

EXCELLENCE

AND COMMUNITY

ENGAGEMENT

LINK TO DISTRICT

STRATEGIC GOAL:

IMPROVE AND EXPAND CURRENT

COMMUNITY

EDUCATION AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

The purpose of this request is to receive approval to increase the daily student fees for all Miami-Dade County Public School Before/After School Care Programs as follows:

| From: | <u>2008-2009</u> | To: | <u>2009-2010</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| • | Daily Student Fees | | Daily Student Fees |
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| Story Hour Program | \$ 3.00 | | \$ 4.00 |
| Before Care Program | \$ 3.00 | | \$ 4.00 |
| All Day Care Program | \$17.00 | | \$18.00 |
| After School Care Program | \$ 6.00 | | \$ 7.00 |

The daily student fees were last increased district-wide ten years ago on July 22, 1998. Each of the last three years the State of Florida has raised the minimum wage for part-time hourly employees from \$6.15 per hour in 2006 to the current rate of \$7.21 per hour.

Seventy-five (75%) of the fees are retained at the school and as a result of this increase the Before/After School Care program will have the ability to continue to offer diverse programming that fully supports, stimulates and motivates our before/after school care student population towards the ongoing goal of enhanced student achievement.

Those families who have recently been exposed to financial hardship may qualify for subsidized funds that will reduce the cost for after school care services.

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RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to accept an increase in After School Care Program daily student fees from \$6.00 per day to \$7.00 per day, All Day Care Program daily student fees from \$17.00 per day to \$18.00 per day, Story Hour Care Program daily student fees from \$3.00 per day to \$4.00 per day, and the Before Care Program daily student fees from \$3.00 per day to \$4.00 per day, to be implemented during the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

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