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School Operations

**SUBJECT:           REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO  
ACCEPT A DONATION OF GOODS AND SERVICES, IN AN  
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,133,330 FROM FLORIDA  
INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY AFTER-SCHOOL ALL-STARS  
PROGRAM (FIUSAS), TO OPERATE THE MIDDLE SCHOOL  
ENRICHMENT/FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY AFTER-  
SCHOOL ALL-STARS PROGRAM DURING THE 2014-2015  
SCHOOL YEAR**

**COMMITTEE:       INSTRUCTIONAL       EXCELLENCE       AND       COMMUNITY  
                          ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC  
FRAMEWORK:   EDUCATION**

Florida International University After-School All-Stars (FIUSAS) seeks to continue to operate the after-school program formerly known as South Florida After-School All-Stars, which will assist middle school students by providing academic and enrichment activities in reading, writing, science, and mathematics. The program has been implemented since 1998, operates five days a week, and is free of charge to the students.

In addition to the academic component, the after-school program will continue to provide components in computer education, tutorials, performing and visual arts, sports, health, fitness and nutrition, literacy, character education, self-esteem and anger management, high school transition, career education, and community service projects. The program will offer additional enhancements, such as motivational speakers, incentives, and appreciation events. Parental involvement opportunities will be implemented and encouraged.

Funding was secured by FIUSAS through 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers grants. The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers grants are new awards operating in the first year of a five-year grant period. Funds received for the after-school academic program will provide: materials and supplies, staff salaries, activity buses, field trip buses, and professional development at each school.

Schools applied and were accepted into the program pursuant to grant specifications. The program will be implemented at the following schools: M. A. Milam K-8 Center and Carol City Middle, Homestead Middle, Thomas Jefferson Middle, John F. Kennedy Middle, Madison Middle, Horace Mann Middle, Jorge Mas Canosa Middle and Redland Middle.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to receive donations of goods and services in an amount not to exceed \$1,133,330, from Florida International University After-School All-Stars Program (FIUASAS), to operate The Middle School Enrichment/Florida International University After-School All-Stars Program during the 2014-2015 school year.

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