

Mr. Joseph S. Geller, Board Member

Co-Sponsors: Dr. Steve Gallon III

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**SUBJECT: THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY EXPRESSES SUPPORT FOR EXTERNAL FUNDING AND PROGRAMS THAT BENEFIT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS STUDENTS**

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**COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC**

**PLAN: INFORMED, ENGAGED, & EMPOWERED STAKEHOLDERS**

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida recognizes the critical importance of external education funding and programs in providing educational opportunities for all students in our district. These essential resources currently provided allow our schools to address learning needs, support academic achievement, and prepare students for future success.

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Miami-Dade County Public Schools currently benefits from numerous external programs that serve our students, families, and communities.

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These programs serve thousands of students throughout Miami-Dade County and provide millions of dollars in resources that our district could not otherwise afford. These programs and funding are vital to maintaining educational quality, addressing the needs of our student population, and ensuring that all students have opportunities to reach their full potential.

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The School Board of Miami-Dade County supports these essential education programs and funding streams that directly benefit Miami-Dade County Public Schools students.

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We have redrafted the item with the amendments from Board Members Gallon and Blanco. If anyone feels further clarification is necessary, we are happy to further amend the document to accurately reflect the Board consensus.

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This item has been reviewed and approved by the Office of the General Counsel as to form and legal sufficiency

**ACTION PROPOSED BY  
MR. JOSEPH S. GELLER:**

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

1. Continue to review and monitor external funding that is deemed essential and programs that directly benefit Miami-Dade County Public Schools students, as determined by the Superintendent of Schools and guided by the Board approved District Strategic Plan; and
2. Provide list of external funding that is deemed essential and programs that directly benefit Miami-Dade County Public Schools students, as determined by the Superintendent of schools and guided by the Board approved District Strategic Plan; and
3. Communicate the aforementioned list to the Board and to relevant stakeholders as appropriate.
4. Furthermore, Miami Dade County Public Schools takes no official position in favor or against the United Sates government administration's statements about abolishing the United States Department of Education.

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