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SUBJECT: REQUEST THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVE THE 2026-2027 COMPREHENSIVE EVIDENCE-BASED READING PLAN (CERP)

COMMITTEE: ACADEMICS, INNOVATION, EVALUATION, AND TECHNOLOGY

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN: RELEVANT, RIGOROUS, AND INNOVATIVE ACADEMICS

Annually, the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) Rule 6A-6.053 requires each school district to submit a *Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan* (CERP) for the specific use of the evidence-based reading instruction allocation to improve student performance and address educational priorities. The *Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan* must be approved by the district's governing board or authority and submitted to the Florida Department of Education by September 1.

The evidence-based reading instruction allocation is created to provide comprehensive reading instruction to students in prekindergarten through grade 12. The CERP also promotes reflection regarding strengths and challenges in the implementation throughout the year thus identifying areas for improvement for the following year. Incorporated within this plan, and reflected for all schools and grade levels, are the role of administration at both the district and school level, professional learning, assessment, curriculum, and instruction in the improvement of student learning of Florida's B.E.S.T. English Language Arts Standards as provided in F.A.C. Rule 6A-1.09401, Student Performance Standards.

The Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) 2026-2027 CERP was created using the Florida Department of Education's online CERP template and in conjunction with select M-DCPS departments and bureaus. Additionally, a rigorous review process was established with the Florida Department of Education's Just Read, Florida! Reading Specialist.

The following are recent amendments to the 2026–2027 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan (CERP) (F.A.C. Rule 6A-6.053):

Expanded identification criteria for students with a substantial reading deficiency:

- **The student scores at Level 1 on PM3.**
- **The student was retained during the previous school year.**

A copy of the *2026-2027 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan* (CERP) may be viewed online at:

[2026-2027 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan \(CERP\)](#)

Copies of the *2026-2027 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan* (CERP) will be available for inspection by the public in the office of the School Board Recording Secretary, Room 924, and the Citizen Information Center, Room 102, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve the *2026-2027 Comprehensive Evidence-Based Reading Plan* (CERP).