

**AGENDA REQUEST**  
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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TITLE: New Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Education

REQUESTED ACTION: Approve a new grant application to the U.S. Department of Education under the Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination Grant Program.

SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:

Through the Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination Grant Program, the U.S. Department of Education is inviting local educational agencies to apply for grants of up to \$1,000,000 over three years to support projects that integrate the arts into the core elementary and middle school curricula, strengthen arts instruction in these grades, and improve students' academic performance.

In accordance with the priorities of the Arts in Education program, the district is submitting an application that will pilot a comprehensive, research-based model for arts education in the elementary and middle Visual and Performing Arts magnet schools, as approved by Area Superintendents: Bethune Elementary, Deerfield Beach Elementary, North Andrews Gardens Elementary, Walker Elementary, and Parkway Middle. The proposed project will partner with the national Grammy Foundation and the Museum of Art-Fort Lauderdale to:

- ◆ Develop and implement a web-enabled curriculum mapping tool to support integration of the arts across academic subject areas, based on the Grammy Foundation's *Artful Learning* framework, in grades K-8;
- ◆ Establish a Professional Development Center for K-8 Grade Teachers at the Museum of Art that will model best practices for arts and non-arts teachers to integrate the arts as a strategy to improve student achievement; and
- ◆ Evaluate and disseminate project results, products and processes to advance the research base for effective arts integration.

Project objectives include improving student performance in reading and mathematics, improving teachers' skills, and improving partnerships with cultural arts organizations. A total of \$996,621 is requested over the three-year period.

- Goal One: All students will achieve at their highest potential.
- Goal Two: All schools will have equitable resources.
- Goal Three: All operations of the school system will support and align with student achievement & needs.
- Goal Four: All stakeholders work together to build a better school system.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The financial impact is \$996,621. The source of funds is the U.S. Department of Education. There is no additional financial impact to the school district.

EXHIBITS: (List) Executive Summary Grant Proposal

BOARD ACTION:  <b>APPROVED</b> <small>(For Official School Board Records' Office Only)</small>	SOURCE OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Leslie Brown 765-6613 Tom Geismar 768-8156 <small>Name Phone</small>
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**THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION/STUDENT SUPPORT  
DR. EARLEAN C. SMILEY, DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT

Approved in Open Board Meeting on: AUG 14 2001  
By: Paul Brown School Board Chairperson