

TO: MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF PINELLAS COUNTY

FROM: MICHAEL A. GREGO, Ed.D., SUPERINTENDENT

Please approve the following for submission for funding at the School Board Meeting of July 30, 2013.

A. Title of Project: Florida Diagnostic & Learning Resources System (FDLRS)
Gulfcoast Grant

If this is a contractual agreement requiring bids or formal quotes, the director of purchasing has authorized this agreement according to purchasing requirements.

___ The "**Checklist for Contractual Agreements**" form has been signed by the Project Manager and the Director of Purchasing, and submitted to the Director of Special Projects.

 X N/A

Amount of Project: \$ 1,047,519.00

Status of Project:

New: Renewal: X Amendment:
If Amendment:

Additional Funds: Reduced Funds: Time Extension: Other:

Fund Source:

State: Federal: X Other:

Length of Project: 14 Months

Starting Date: 7/1/2013 Ending Date: 8/31/2014

Strategic Direction(s): Student Achievement, Curriculum, Safe Learning Environment,
Community Relations, Technology

Program Description: FDLRS supports professional learning for district staff, eligible non-public school personnel, and parents who work with all students. The support includes curriculum and instruction support, behavior management, instructional strategies, as well as assistive and instructional technology support. FDLRS serves on the fiscal agent Professional Development Advisory Board to collaborate on professional learning needs within the district. This project also supports the Child Find legislation. FDLRS Child Find Specialists assist the district with early identification of children ages 3-5 who may need special support for success in school. In addition, FDLRS collaborates with local community agencies and Early Steps (ages birth - 3) to ensure screening procedures and transition services are in place for children and families. FDLRS provides Parent Services Specialists to each county to assist the districts in providing resources and support to parents of students with special needs.

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Rationale: FDLRS Gulfcoast provides a variety of instructional support to teachers and parents that help to promote highest student achievement. Blended courses for teachers include Differentiated Instruction, Assistive Technology, Positive Behavior Support, Compliance, and the Strategic Instruction Model (SIM) curriculum. FDLRS conducts the Community Screenings to provide Child Find services to children ages 3-5 years of age. This support is crucial to effective operations and early identification for children.

Usage in other districts: Yes X No

Visits by PCS Staff: Dates: 9/23/13, 10/17/13, 2/20/14, 5/19/14, 5/29/14
People: Cindy Bania-Carter, Mary Ann Ziegler, and other ESE Staff

Students to be served/Target Audience: teachers, administrators, staff and parents

Performance Data, Research Findings, or Improvement Results: FDLRS monitors the district LRE Profile data in relation to the State Performance Plan (SPP) Indicators and works in collaboration with the district ESE department to communicate the results and improve.

Contact Person: Paula Nelson, Ed.S – FDLRS Manager

Grant Proposal/Contract Developer(s): Paula Nelson, Ed.S – FDLRS Manager

NO COST TO DISTRICT OPERATING FUNDS

Target Schools: Pinellas, Pasco and Hernando County Schools and Non-public schools serving the disabled

Budget

Personnel (Salaries & Fringe) all existing	\$ 953,552.00
• 1.0 Administrator	
• 9.8 Resource Teachers	
• 2.0 Secretary II	
• 1.0 Clerk Specialist I	
• 0.5 Account Clerk	
• 1.0 Contracted Services Staff	
Materials & Supplies	\$ 8,200.00
Travel & Registrations	\$ 7,066.00
Equipment and Other Capital Costs	\$ 2,550.00
Purchased Services	\$ 34,561.00
Indirect Costs (Federal Funds Only)	\$ 41,590.00
TOTAL	\$1,047,519.00

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