

Financial Services
Mr. Ron Y. Steiger, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: REJECT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. RFP-22-028-VF
- APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAMS AND
AUTHORIZE DIRECT CONTRACTING**

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

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This item requests the School Board's approval of the bid rejection(s) identified below:

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. RFP-22-028-VF - APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAMS was released to select agencies qualified to operate apprenticeship training programs to provide apprenticeship training for post-secondary students for Miami-Dade County Public Schools, in accordance with the Florida Department of Education. This RFP is recommended for rejection to allow the District to re-evaluate the contract provisions based on updated legislation and enter into direct negotiations with the agencies that responded to this RFP as well as any additional agencies to increase the pool of apprenticeship programs, as needed.

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

1. **REJECT** REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. RFP-22-028-VF - APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAMS, to re-evaluate the contract provisions based on updated legislation and permit direct contracting.
2. **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent and/or designee to enter into direct negotiations and execute direct contracts with the five (5) agencies that responded to this RFP:
 - a. Acra Local 725 Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee Trust
 - b. International Association of Heat & Frost Insulators and Allied Workers Local Union

- c. Miami Joint Electrical Apprenticeship and Training Committee
 - d. Plumbers Joint Apprenticeship and Educational Committee
 - e. Sheetmetal Workers Local Union No. 32 Apprenticeship and Training Program and Training Fund, Inc.
3. **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent and/or designee to enter into direct negotiations and execute direct contracts with additional apprenticeship training agencies, as needed.