

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

**SUBJECT: REJECT INVITATION TO NEGOTIATE NO. ITN-23-027-CM –
EXTERNAL EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAM**

COMMITTEE: FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY & GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
PLAN: EFFECTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONAL PRACTICES**

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

INVITATION TO NEGOTIATE NO. ITN-23-027-CM – EXTERNAL EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAM was released on November 18, 2024, with the bid opening subsequently held on January 21, 2025, to identify a qualified and experienced external early childhood education provider ("education provider") to participate in an Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) for the establishment of a strategic year-round partnership with before, during, and after pre-school programming for the duration of up to 10 years. The District received three (3) responses, whereby two of the submitted proposals included some, but not all components requested in the advertised solicitations. As a result, this ITN is recommended for rejection.

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

1. **REJECT** Invitation to Negotiate No. ITN-23-027-CM – External Early Childhood Education Program, to permit rebidding.
2. **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent and/or designee to enter into direct negotiations and execute direct contracts with supplier(s) for the services set forth under this ITN, in accordance with Board Policy 6320 and Florida Administrative Code 6A-1.012.