

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY – ADULT/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROPOSAL RETURN DATE

OCTOBER 13, 2005

RFP NO. 022-FF10

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT
1450 N.E. 2ND AVENUE, MIAMI, FLORIDA 33132
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Sealed proposals will be accepted in Procurement Management, at the above location, until **2:00 P.M.** October 13, 2005, and may not be withdrawn for one hundred twenty (120) days from that date.

ANTI-COLLUSION STATEMENT

THE UNDERSIGNED PROPOSER HAS NOT DIVULGED TO, DISCUSSED, OR COMPARED HIS PROPOSAL WITH OTHER PROPOSERS AND HAS NOT COLLUDED WITH ANY OTHER PROPOSER OR PARTIES TO THE PROPOSAL WHATSOEVER. PROPOSER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS PART OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN AS DEFINED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA SUNSHINE LAW.

CERTIFICATION AND IDENTIFICATION FOR PROPOSERS SUBMITTING PROPOSALS.

I certify that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a proposal for the same service, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I agree to abide by all conditions of these proposal specifications and I certify that I am authorized to sign this proposal.

(Please Type or Print Below)

LEGAL NAME OF AGENCY OR
CONTRACTOR SUBMITTING PROPOSAL:_____

MAILING ADDRESS:_____

CITY STATE, ZIP CODE:_____

TELEPHONE NUMBER:_____

BY: SIGNATURE_____

BY: TYPED_____

TITLE:_____

INSTRUCTIONS TO AGENCY/PROPOSER SUBMITTING PROPOSAL

I. PREPARING OF PROPOSALS

- A. THE PROPOSAL IS TO BE SUBMITTED, using 8-1/2" x 11" paper.
- B. IDENTIFICATION. Failure to indicate the contractor's EXACT legal name and an unsigned proposal may be considered non-responsive.

II. SUBMITTING OF PROPOSALS

- A. Number of Proposals:

A total of (9) copies of the Proposal must be submitted as follows:

- * The original proposal in a sealed envelope or box marked "Original."
- ** (8) copies of the proposal in a separate sealed envelope or box marked "Copies."

The proposal number, proposal title and opening date must be clearly marked on all envelopes and boxes.

- B. Place, Date and Hour. Proposals shall be submitted to The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, Procurement Management, Room 352, 1450 N.E. 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida, not later than 2:00 P.M. October 13, 2005.

III. CHANGE OR WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSAL

- A. PRIOR TO PROPOSAL OPENING. Should the agency or individual contractor withdraw its proposal, they shall do so in writing. This communication is to be received by the Assistant Superintendent, Procurement Management Services, 1450 N.E. 2nd Avenue, prior to October 13, 2005. The agency or individual contractor's name and the proposal number should appear on the envelope.
- B. AFTER PROPOSAL OPENING. After October 13, 2005, proposals may not be changed; and they may not be withdrawn for one hundred twenty (120) days from that date.

IV. PROTEST TO CONTRACT SOLICITATION OR AWARD

- A. The Board shall provide notice of a decision or intended decision concerning a solicitation, contract award, or exceptional purchase by electronic posting. This notice shall contain the following statement:

“Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of proceedings under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.”

- B. Any person who is adversely affected by the agency decision or intended decision, shall file with the agency a notice of protest in writing within 72 hours after the posting of the notice of decision or intended decision. With respect to a protest of the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in a solicitation, including any provisions governing the methods of ranking proposals or replies, awarding contracts, reserving rights of further negotiation or modifying or amending any contract, the notice of protest shall be filed in writing within 72 hours after the posting of the solicitation. The formal written protest shall be filed within 10 days after the date of the notice of protest is filed. Failure to file a notice of protest or failure to file a formal written protest shall constitute a waiver of proceedings. The formal written protest shall state with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based. Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays shall be excluded in the computation of the 72-hour time periods provided by this paragraph.
- C. The notice of protest will be reviewed by Procurement Services staff, which will offer the protesting proposer the opportunity to meet and discuss the merits of the protest. If the protest is not resolved, the proposer may seek an administrative hearing pursuant to 120.57 Florida Statutes, by filing a formal written protest within 10 days after filing the notice of protest. Petitions for hearings on protests pursuant to 120.57 Florida Statutes must be filed in accordance with School Board Rule 6Gx13-8C-1064.

V. AWARDS

- A. **RESERVATION FOR REJECTION OR AWARD.** The Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive irregularities or technicalities, and to request re-bids.
- B. **NOTIFICATION OF INTENDED ACTION.** Notices will be posted on the District's website 7-10 days prior to a regularly scheduled Board meeting.
- C. **OFFICIAL AWARD DATE.** Awards become official upon Board action.
- D. **CHARTER SCHOOLS:** Items awarded under this contract shall be made available to charter schools authorized by the School Board.

VI. DEFAULT

In the event of default, which may include, but is not limited to non-performance and/or poor performance, the Awardee shall lose eligibility to transact new business with the Board for a period of 14 months from date of termination of award by the Board. Proposers that are determined ineligible may request a hearing pursuant to §120.569, Fla. Stat., and School Board Rule 6Gx13-8C-1.064.

VII. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

Section 287.133(2)(a) Florida Statute. A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

VIII. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS

All contracts involving Federal funds will contain certain provisions required by applicable sections of Title 34, Section 80.36(l) and Section 85.510 Code of Federal Regulations and are included by reference herein. The vendor certifies by signing the proposal that the vendor and its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in Federally funded transactions and may, in certain instances, be required to provide a separate written certification to this effect.

During the term of any contract with the Board, in the event of debarment, suspension, proposed debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in Federally funded transactions, the vendor shall immediately notify the Assistant Superintendent, Procurement Management Services, in writing.

Vendors will also be required to provide access to records, which are directly pertinent to the contract and retain all required records for three years after the grantee (The Board) or sub-grantee makes final payment.

For all contracts involving Federal funds, in excess of \$10,000, The Board reserves the right to terminate the contract for cause as well as for convenience by issuing a certified notice to the vendor.

IX. CONE OF SILENCE
BOARD RULE 6GX13-8C-1.212

DEFINITION:

- A. “Cone of Silence” means a prohibition on any communication regarding a particular Request for Proposals (RFP), bid, or other competitive solicitation between:
1. any person who seeks an award therefrom, including a potential vendor or vendor’s representative; and
 2. any School Board member or the member’s staff, the Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent and their respective support staff, or any person appointed by the School Board to evaluate or recommend selection in such procurement process.

The Cone of Silence shall not apply to communication with the School Board Attorney or his or her staff, or with designated school district staff, who are not serving on the particular Procurement Committee, to obtain clarification or information concerning the subject solicitation. For purposes of this section, “vendor’s representative” means an employee, partner, director, or officer of a potential vendor, or consultant, lobbyist, or actual or potential subcontractor or sub-consultant of a vendor, or any other individual acting through or on behalf of any person seeking an award.

- B. A Cone of Silence shall be applicable to each RFP, bid, or other competitive solicitation during the solicitation and review of bid proposals. At the time of issuance of the solicitation, the Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee shall provide public notice of the Cone of Silence. The Superintendent shall include in any advertisement and public solicitation for goods and services a statement disclosing the requirements of this section.
- C. The Cone of Silence shall terminate at the time the Superintendent of Schools submits a written recommendation to award or approve a contract, to reject all bids or responses, or otherwise takes action which ends the solicitation and review process.
- D. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit any potential vendor or vendor’s representative:
1. from making public representations at duly noticed pre-bid conferences or before duly noticed selection and negotiation committee meetings;

2. from engaging in contract negotiations during any duly noticed public meeting;
3. from making a public presentation to the School Board during any duly noticed public meeting; or
4. from communicating in writing with any school district employee or official for purposes of seeking clarification or additional information, subject to the provisions of the applicable RFP, or bid documents.

The potential vendor or vendor's representative shall file a copy of any written communication with the School Board Clerk who shall make copies available to the public upon request.

- E. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit the Procurement Committee's representative from initiating contact with a potential vendor or vendor's representative and subsequent communication related thereto for the purposes of obtaining further clarifying information regarding a response to an RFP, or competitive solicitation. Such contact shall be in writing and shall be provided to the members of the applicable Procurement Committee, including any response thereto.
- F. Any violation of this rule shall be investigated by the School Board's Inspector General and may result in any recommendation for award, or any RFP award, or bid award to said potential vendor or vendor's representative being deemed void or voidable. The potential vendor or vendor's representative determined to have violated this rule, shall be subject to debarment. In addition to any other penalty provided by law, violation of this rule by a school district employee shall subject the employee to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.

Specific Authority: 1001.41(1)(2); 1001.42(22); 1001.43(10) F.S.

Law Implemented, Interpreted or Made Specific: 1001.43(10); 1001.51(14) F.S.

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THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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I. NAME AND ADDRESS OF REQUESTER

Miami-Dade County Public Schools
Office of Public Relations
1450 N. E. Second Avenue, Room 250
Miami, Florida 33132

II. PURPOSE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the School Board) is soliciting proposals from qualified individuals and/or firms with experience in developing and executing comprehensive opinion research and analysis on public education and related issues.

III. INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Nine copies of the proposal, one of which shall be an original, must be received by 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Daylight Savings Time) October 13, 2005, at:

The School Board of Miami Dade County, Florida
Bid Clerk, Division of Procurement Management Services
1450 Northeast Second Avenue, Room 352
Miami, Florida 33132

The responsibility for submitting this proposal to the District on or before the stated time and date will be solely and strictly the responsibility of the Proposer. The District will in no way be responsible for delays caused by the United States mail or any other delivery service or caused by any other occurrence. The proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope or box marked "PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY – ADULT/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS".

It is anticipated that a proposal may be presented to The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, (School Board) for acceptance on or about November 16, 2005. If accepted, notification to the successful proposer will be on or about November 16, 2005. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals.

IV. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The School District of Miami-Dade County, Florida, is a political subdivision organized under Section 4, Article IX, of the State Constitution and Chapter 230, Florida Statutes and is the fourth largest school system in the nation. The district has approximately 340 schools and includes charter schools, alternative schools, and exceptional student education centers; 363,288 students; more than 57,372 full and part-time employees; and a \$4.5 billion operating and capital budget. The student population is economically, ethnically, and linguistically diverse, with the largest ethnic group being Hispanic students.

There are nine School Board members elected from single member districts who serve four-year terms. The elections are conducted on a staggered system, with odd-numbered districts and even-numbered districts contested at alternating two-year intervals.

The district provides a full range of educational services appropriate to students in early childhood, grade levels pre-kindergarten through 12, and adult/vocational education programs. These include basic, regular and enriched academic education, bilingual education, special education for handicapped children, vocational education, and many individualized programs, such as special instruction for disadvantaged students (Title I), and those with limited English proficiency.

V. SCOPE OF WORK

Development, implementation, analysis and reporting by January 15, 2006 of a baseline survey representative of Miami-Dade County residents age 16 and up, to determine public opinion of and engagement with Miami-Dade County Public Schools' adult/vocational education programs. The results will be used in guiding the marketing of these programs. Particular emphasis should be given to gaining data from Miami-Dade residents without high school diplomas; residents with some college but no degree; residents earning less than \$20,000 annually; residents speaking little or no English, particularly native speakers of Spanish and Haitian-Creole; recent immigrants, including those without documentation; and current and former students of Miami-Dade County Public Schools (K-12 and adult schools).

The successful proposer shall be required to provide all language translation services necessary to ensure information is available to all target groups in Miami-Dade County, Florida. These services, at a minimum, will include English, Spanish, and Haitian/Creole translations. The District, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to review and approve any translated materials to ensure accuracy, consistency, and appropriateness.

VI. REQUIRED INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY PROPOSER

- A. Evidence of education and professional qualifications of the proposer.
- B. Evidence of experience in preparing public-opinion research with multilingual, multiethnic and multicultural groups.
- C. A description of the strategy that will be utilized in the execution of the proposed public-opinion research.
- D. Listing of all clients served within the last three years, up to and including the present date, to which proposer has provided public opinion research.
- E. Submit a proposed project outline and schedule to include estimated research development time and the time required to fully execute, the public-opinion assessment.
- F. Proposed fee.
- G. The signature of the person empowered to submit this proposal.

VII. TERMS OF CONTRACT

The successful proposer shall have sixty (60) days from the date of award to prepare and complete all materials necessary to execute the public-opinion research, unless otherwise authorized by the Superintendent or his designee. The School Board reserves the right to cancel the contract in the event the services rendered do not comply with the provisions of the proposal and/or the quality of services is found to be undesirable. The proposer shall comply with all municipal, state, and federal statutes prohibiting discrimination.

VIII. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

Representatives of the School District will evaluate proposals in order to ascertain which proposal best meets the needs of the School Board. A committee consisting of the following members or their designees will make the evaluation of proposals on or about October 17, 2005:

- Marketing Director, Office of Public Relations
- Marketing Supervisor, Office of Public Relations
- Administrative Director, School Operations
- Curriculum Support Specialist, School Operations
- Chief Communications Officer, or designee
- Director, or designee, Division of Business Development and Assistance
- Director, Procurement Management Services (Non-Voting)

Evaluation consideration will include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Responsiveness of the proposer in clearly stating an understanding of the work to be performed.
2. Technical experience of the firm to perform the required services.
3. Qualifications, experience and/or expertise in developing and executing comprehensive public-opinion research and analysis on public education and related issues in a large urban, multilingual, multiethnic, multicultural region.
4. Proposed fee.

The School Board reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to further negotiate any proposals, to waive any irregularities or informalities, to accept or reject any items or combination of items, to request clarification of information submitted in any proposal, and to request additional information from any proposer. When the final selection is made and approved by the School Board, a professional services agreement acceptable to the Attorney for the School Board will be entered into with the successful proposer. No debriefing or discussion will be held with unsuccessful proposers.

IX. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

It is the policy of the School Board that no person will be denied access, employment, training, or promotion on the basis of gender, race, color, religion, ethnic or national origin, political beliefs, marital status, age, sexual orientation, social and family background, linguistic preference or disability, and that merit principles will be followed.

Each firm is requested to indicate its equal employment policy and provide a detailed breakdown by ethnicity, gender and occupational categories of its work force. **(ATTACHMENT A)**

X. GENERAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Professional Liability

The Professional Liability Insurance provided by the individual/firm shall conform to the following requirements:

- A. The individual firm=s Professional Liability insurance shall be on a form acceptable to the Board and shall cover those sources fo liability typically insured buy Professional Liability Insurance, arising out of or the rendering or failure to render professional services in the performance of this agreement, including all provisions of

indemnification which is part of this agreement.

- B. The insurance shall be subject to a maximum deductible not to exceed \$25,000.
- C. If on a claims-made basis, the individual/firm shall maintain without interruption, the Professional Liability Insurance until (3) years after this agreement.
- D. The minimum limits to be maintained by the individual/firm (inclusive of any amounts provided by an umbrella or excess policy) shall be \$1 million per claim/annual aggregate.

Each insurance policy evidencing the insurance required hereunder shall bear the appropriate endorsements whereby the insurance carrier waives any rights of subrogation acquired against the Board and the Students by reason of any payment under such policy and shall provide that such insurance carriers shall notify the Board in writing at least (30) days prior to any cancellation, termination, non-renewal or modification to the individual/firm's policy(ies) required under this agreement.

Upon the execution of this agreement, the individual/firm shall furnish to the Board's Office of Risk and Benefits Management with Certificates of Insurance evidencing the individual/firm's insurance coverage is consistent with the terms of the agreement. The individual/firm shall also provide copies of the policies to the Board. The individual/firm shall also provide the Board with renewal or replacement Certificates of Insurance no less than (30) days prior to cancellation, termination or modification. The individual/firm shall be in material breach of this agreement if the individual/firm fails to obtain replacement insurance coverage prior to the date in which coverage is terminated or expires. In this event the Board may terminate this agreement without further liability to the individual/firm. Additionally the individual/firm shall be liable to the Board for any and all damages incurred due to the individual/firm's failure to perform the agreement terms.

XI. INDEMNIFICATION

The individual/firm(s) must enter into the following indemnification and hold harmless agreement:

The individual/firm(s) hereby agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Board, its officers, agents and employees individually and collectively from and against all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, interest, claims, actions, assessments, fines, suits, demands, investigations, proceedings, judgments, orders or injuries, including death to any, or damage, of whatever nature, to any property and all costs including court costs and attorneys' fees, and disbursements, whether suit is instituted or not, and if instituted, at all tribunal levels (wherever raised by the parties hereto or a third party) imposed on, or incurred by or asserted against the Board or any of them arising out of or in connection with or based directly or indirectly upon (a) the individual/firm's directors, officers, employees, agents, subcontractors or representatives, of their duties and obligations

under or pursuant to this agreement, including without limitations, the failure to maintain insurance or notify the Board; (b) any material breach of this agreement by the individual/firm(s), (c) false or inaccurate representation or warranty made by or on behalf of the individual/firm(s), and (d) any act or omission, negligence, or intentional acts of the individual/firm(s), or any of the individual/firm=s directors, officers, employees, agents, subcontractors or other representatives.

XII. THE JESSICA LUNSFORD ACT BACKGROUND SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with the requirements of sections 1012.32, 1012.465, and 435.04, Florida Statutes (2004) as well as with the requirements of HB 1877, The Jessica Lunsford Act (2005), effective September 1, 2005, Contractor agrees to certify under oath and penalty of perjury, see **ATTACHMENT B** (Sworn Statement Pursuant to Sections 1012.32, 1012.465, and 435.04, Florida Statutes (2004) and HB 1877, The Jessica Lunsford Act (2005)) which is incorporated fully herein by reference, that Contractor and all of its employees who provide or may provide services under this Agreement have completed all background screening requirements as outlined in the above-referenced statutes.

Additionally, Contractor agrees that each of its employees, representatives, agents, subcontractors or suppliers who are permitted access on school grounds when students are present, who have direct contact with students or who have access to or control of school funds must meet level 2 screening requirements as described in sections 1012.32 and 435.04, Florida Statutes, and further upon obtaining level 2 clearance, must obtain a required Board issued photo identification badge which shall be worn by the individual at all times while on Board property when students are present.

Contractor agrees to bear any and all costs associated with acquiring the required background screening – including any costs associated with fingerprinting and obtaining the required photo identification badge. Contractor agrees to require all its affected employees to sign a statement, as a condition of employment with Contractor in relation to performance under this Agreement, agreeing that the employee will abide by the heretofore described background screening requirements, and also agreeing that the employee will notify the Contractor/Employer of any arrest(s) or conviction(s) of any offense enumerated in s. 435.04, Florida Statutes within 48 hours of its occurrence.

Contractor agrees to provide the Board with a list of all of its employees who have completed background screening as required by the above-referenced statutes and who meet the statutory requirements contained therein. Contractor agrees that it has an ongoing duty to maintain and update these lists as new employees are hired and in the event that any previously screened employee fails to meet the statutory standards. Contractor further agrees to notify the Board immediately upon becoming aware that one of its employees who was previously certified as completing the background check and meeting the statutory standards is subsequently arrested or convicted of any disqualifying offense. Failure by Contractor to notify the Board of such arrest or conviction within 48 hours of being put on notice and within 5 business days of the occurrence of a qualifying arrest or

conviction shall constitute grounds for immediate termination of this Agreement by the Board.

The parties further agree that failure by Contractor to perform any of the duties described in this section shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement entitling the Board to terminate this Agreement immediately with no further responsibility to make payment or perform any other duties under this Agreement.

COMPLIANCE WITH SCHOOL CODE

Contractor agrees to comply with all sections of the Florida K-20 Education Code, Title XLVIII, Florida Statutes, as it presently exists, and further as it may be amended from time to time. Further Contractor agrees that failure to comply with the Florida K-20 Education Code shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and may result in the termination of this Agreement by the Board.

XIII. IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

The planned schedule for implementation of this Request For Proposals, is as follows:

Procurement Contract Review Committee	September 29, 2005
Mailing of Request For Proposals.....	September 30, 2005
Opening of Proposals	October 13, 2005
Evaluation of Proposals	October 17, 2005
Recommendation for Award	November 16, 2005

XIV. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Any additional information regarding proposal procedures may be obtained from:

Division of Procurement Management Services
Ms. Barbara Jones, Director
1450 N. E. Second Avenue, Room 356
Miami, Florida 33132
(305) 995-2348

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Miami-Dade County Public Schools
SWORN STATEMENT - NEW CONTRACTS

ATTACHMENT B
SWORN STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 1012.465,
FLORIDA STATUTES AS AMENDED BY
HB 1877, THE JESSICA LUNSFORD ACT

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND SWORN TO IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

1. This sworn statement is submitted to The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Fl

(Hereinafter "Board" or "School Board") by _____

(Print individual's name and title)

for _____

(Print Name of entity submitting sworn statement)

whose business address is _____

and its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is
_____. If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security
Number (SSN) of the individual signing this sworn statement and so indicate.

2. I, _____, am duly authorized to make this

(Print individual's name and title)

sworn statement on behalf of _____.

(Print Name of entity submitting sworn statement)

3. I understand that during the 2005 Legislative Session, House Bill 1877, The Jessica Lunsford Act (hereinafter "The Act" or "Act") was passed and approved by Governor Bush on May 2, 2005, with an effective date of September 1, 2005.

Initials

4. I understand that the Act amends the background screening requirements of section 1012.465, Florida Statutes (2004) for all non-instructional school district employees or **“contractual personnel”** by requiring all non-instructional school district employees or contractual personnel who are permitted access on school grounds when students are present to undergo and pass “level 2 background screening,” and further I understand the Act defines **“contractual personnel”** to include any vendor, individual, or entity under contract with the Board.
5. I understand that pursuant to section 1012.465, Florida Statutes as amended by the Act, non-instructional school district employees or contractual personnel who are permitted access on school grounds when students are present, who have direct contact with students or who have access to or control of school funds must meet level 2 screening requirements as described in sections 1012.32 and 435.04, Florida Statutes.
6. I understand that as a _____ (eg. a private bus
Type of entity
service contractor) all contractual personnel, as defined in section 1012.465, Florida Statutes, must meet level 2 screening requirements as outlined in sections 1012.32 and 435.04, Florida Statutes in order to do business with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida.
7. I understand that “level 2 screening requirements,” as defined in sections 1012.32 and 435.04, Florida Statutes means that fingerprints of all contractual personnel must be obtained and submitted to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for state processing and to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for federal processing.
8. I understand that the School Board will implement local procedures to comply with level 2 screening requirements, as defined in sections 1012.32 and 435.04. I understand that my company must comply with these local procedures as they are developed.
9. I understand that any costs and fees associated with the required background screening will be borne by my company.
10. I understand that any personnel of the contractor found through fingerprint processing and subsequent level 2 background screening to have been found guilty of, regardless of adjudication, or entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to any offense outlined in Section 435.04, Florida Statutes (or any similar statute of another jurisdiction), shall not be permitted to come onto school grounds or any leased premises where school-sponsored activities are taking place when students are present, shall not be permitted direct contact with students, and shall not be permitted to have access to school district funds.

11. I understand that the failure of any of the company's or my affected personnel to meet level 2 screening standards as required by section 1012.465, Florida Statutes, may disqualify my company from doing business with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida.
12. I hereby certify that the foregoing statement is true and correct in relation to the company for which I am submitting this sworn statement. I further certify that this statement is being given knowingly and voluntarily by me on behalf of my company.

The company submitting this sworn statement agrees to be bound by the provisions of SECTIONS 1012.32, 1012.465, AND 435.04 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTES AS AMENDED BY HB 1877, THE JESSICA LUNSFORD ACT 2005.

I CERTIFY THAT THE SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM TO THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY IDENTIFIED IN PARAGRAPH ONE (1) ABOVE BINDS THE COMPANY TO FULLY COMPLY WITH THE BACKGROUND SCREENING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTIONS 1012.32, 1012.465, AND 435.04, FLORIDA STATUTES.

(Signature)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day or _____, 20____.

Personally known _____

OR Produced Identification _____

Notary Public -State of _____

(Type of Identification)

My commission expires _____

(Printed typed or stamped commissioned
name of notary public)

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