

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Action Item**  
December 14, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Amendment 8 of Contract between the State Board of Education and SEED School of Miami, Inc.

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Section 1002.3305(4), Florida Statutes

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Section 1002.3305, Florida Statutes, requires the State Board of Education to contract with the operator of a college-preparatory boarding academy selected through a competitive request for proposals.

The Department of Education selected the SEED School of Miami, Inc. to operate the academy and entered into a contract in May 2014. The authorizing statute provides that the academy is created for the purpose of providing unique educational opportunities to dependent or at-risk children who are academic underperformers but who have the potential to progress from at-risk to college-bound.

The SEED School of Miami is Florida's only public boarding academy in which students remain on campus from Sunday evening through Friday afternoon. The school provides extended school days, a residential student life program, college admissions counseling, health and mental health services, extracurricular activities, home visits, and daily social skills reports.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the costs to support the students and the school have increased. Such costs include, but are not limited to, additional transportation in and out of Miami-Dade County, security, repairs and maintenance to the facility, insurance, student services, and additional faculty and staff professional development. An amendment to SEED's contract is required to reimburse these costs. This is an amendment to Section IV., B, Operator's Responsibilities and Section V, Payment Terms and Schedule. Funding provided to SEED for this contract will not exceed the unexpended balance for the 2022-23 state fiscal year. There is also a Settlement Agreement to support the school for its increased costs for the students served.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Amendment No. 8 to Contract No. 14-821, Exhibit 1: Payment and Deliverable Schedule, Exhibit 4: FY 2022-23 Additional Budget; Settlement Agreement; and Settlement Agreement Invoice

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