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**ACTION BY:
September 9, 2011**

TO: Elementary Principals
FROM: Judith Klinek, Chief Academic Officer *JK*
SUBJECT: AFTERSCHOOL ACADEMIC ENRICHMENTS FY12

In an effort to bridge the learning day through the afterschool hours, the Department of Afterschool Programming offers three initiatives for FY12:

- All initiatives utilize existing afterschool counselors to be trained and supported by the Department of Afterschool Programming Instructional Specialists.
- All initiatives require a certified teacher to serve as an Academic Advisor.
- All initiatives require a classroom type-setting with technology access.
- The cost of each initiative is detailed in the table following each description.

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Initiative

The *Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Initiative (STEM)* curriculum was written by the Department of Afterschool Programming's Instructional Specialists to align with the District's scope and sequence. *STEM* was established to support and enrich science and math benchmarks taught during the regular school day in grades K-5 while introducing students to the fields of technology and engineering. The *STEM* initiative utilizes the inquiry-based 5E Learning Cycle allowing students to engage, explore, explain, elaborate, and evaluate topics in a hands-on, cooperative learning environment. The initiative is available for primary and/or intermediate levels and is implemented one hour per day, three days per week during afterschool.

Curriculum/Per site	\$1,950
Supplies/Per group	\$400
Academic Advisor/6 hours per week/33 weeks	\$5,040

Afterschool Literacy Enrichment Initiative

The *Afterschool Literacy Enrichment Initiative (ALEI)* curriculum was written by the Department of Afterschool Programming's Instructional Specialists around fiction and non-fiction read-aloud titles. The initiative is implemented one hour per day, three days per week with an optional fourth day of activities. Students have daily choices within the lesson, as well as opportunities to participate in physical energizers, vocabulary games, personal enrichment activities, graphic

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organizers, reflections, and technology extensions. ALEI is supported by The Palm Beach County Children's Services Council and Prime Time, Palm Beach County.

Curriculum	Grant funded
Supplies/Per group	\$250
Academic Advisor/6 hours per week/33 weeks	\$5,040

IBM Reading Companion

IBM Reading Companion is a grant-funded, interactive web-based technology that listens, guides and prompts children and adults as they learn to read and improve their English literacy skills. It utilizes innovative speech recognition technology that "listens" and provides individualized feedback to the user, enabling emerging readers to practice pronunciation as they acquire fundamental reading skills. **Note:** sites are required to implement either STEM or ALEI to be eligible for IBM Reading Companion.

Curriculum	Grant funded
Microphone Headset/Per 15 students	\$270
Academic Advisor/3 hours per week/33 weeks	\$2,520

Give 'em a Boost

Give 'em a Boost is personal enrichment and healthy living program. It utilizes the *Sports, Play, Active Recreation for Kids (SPARK)*, *Camp Boost* and *Discover Art* curricula. In *SPARK*, students will develop a variety of motor skills aimed at increasing participation in physical activities, maintaining or improving physical fitness, and developing the social skills needed to connect with others in group recreation activities. *Camp Boost*, developed by Healthy Lifestyle Choices, is an educational program that empowers youth by developing the skills and attitudes needed to avoid participating in risky behaviors and to lead healthier lives. *Discover Art* is based upon the *Come Look with Me* book series which engages students in art appreciation and exploration activities.

Curriculum (varies by site needs and interests)	\$4,250
Supplies/Per group	\$250
Academic Advisor/3 hours per week/33 weeks	\$2,520

Costs of each initiative are budgeted within the school center afterschool budget and are commensurate with costs for other quality afterschool opportunities. Limited assistance for implementation of these initiatives is available through special projects grant awards to programs demonstrating fiscal need.

WFM/JK/KO/JCB/KHM

Approved:


William F. Malone, Superintendent

**Afterschool Academic Enrichment Initiative
FY12 Afterschool Academic Enrichment Initiatives Response
Return by September 9, 2011**

School _____

Principal _____ Date _____

Principal Signature _____

Afterschool Director _____

Anticipated Afterschool Enrollment _____

You may request more than one initiative. Requests will be reviewed by the Department of Afterschool Programming to determine the appropriateness and availability of the initiatives requested. Principals will be notified via phone/email for any additional information needed to determine sites to be served.

(Write in name of initiative: STEM, ALEI, or Give 'em a Boost and indicate preferred grade levels to be served)

I wish to implement _____ in grades _____

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If you do not wish to implement any District afterschool enrichment initiative this year, please place an X on the line below to indicate this response.

____ I do NOT wish to implement any of the three District afterschool enrichment initiatives in FY12.

<p>Please Return - Via Pony to: Kathleen Moore Department of Afterschool Programming Gold Coast Community School P14-108 Via Fax: FX 76393 or 687-6393</p>
