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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPO, CPPB, Purchasing Agent 

SUBJECT: Permission to Negotiate: Calvert Partners Inc. for Virtual Instruction Program

In accordance with Florida Statute 1002.415 and 1002.37, and Senate Bill 1676, beginning with the 2009-2010 school year each school district shall provide eligible K-12 students the option of participating in a virtual instruction program.

We are requesting Board permission to negotiate with Calvert Partners Inc. for services for K-5 students. Please see the attached memo from Ms. JoAnne Glenn, Assistant Principal for Pasco eSchool, for detailed information regarding the advantages this contract would bring to the District.

The District is permitted to negotiate for services of this nature under Florida Administrative Code 6A-1.012(11)(a). The costs associated with the final contract will be funded through FTE earned by students enrolled in grades K-5 when they meet the requirements for promotion at the end of the school year. A final negotiated contract will be brought to the Board for approval at a future date.

Please feel free to contact JoAnne Glenn or me if you have any questions or concerns regarding this request.

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Attachment



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To: Kendra Goodman, Purchasing Agent

From: JoAnne Glenn, Assistant Principal for Pasco eSchool

Subject: Request for Permission to Negotiate (Calvert Partners, Inc.)

In accordance with Florida Statute 1002.415, 1002.37 and Senate Bill 1676, beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, each school district shall provide eligible K-12 students within its boundaries the option of participating in a virtual instruction program. The program makes instruction available to students using online and distance learning technology in the nontraditional classroom.

To provide the elementary students enrolled in Pasco eSchool with a variety of learning opportunities and to bring the curriculum and operation of the program into closer alignment with our traditional schools, Pasco eSchool requests approval to begin negotiation on a contract with the following provider:

- Calvert Partners, Inc.

A decision to partner with Calvert Partners, Inc. offers the District an opportunity to use digital curriculum developed by a vendor, with direct instruction provided by our own teachers. Such a model will allow for closer monitoring of student progress, increased opportunities for students to participate in co-curricular activities (like the Science Fair and Tropicana Speech Contest), and build relationships with their teachers through face-to-face sessions.

The costs associated with any resulting contract will be funded through FTE earned by students enrolled in grades K-5 when they meet the requirements for promotion at the end of the school year.