



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1351

**1. Title of Project:** Sarasota County Schools Summer Learning Academy

**2. Senate Sponsor:** Joe Gruters

**3. Date of Submission:** 01/31/2019

**4. Project/Program Description:**

The Sarasota County Schools Summer Learning Academy supports educationally vulnerable children and parents with emphasis on improving K-3 student English and language arts and math proficiency during the summer months. The program also provides parents with tools to help in their child's education and enrolls parent in appropriate adult education programs to improve their literacy and job skills. The Summer Learning Academy is a partnership with community and business groups such as the Florida Chamber of Commerce, and children who attended Summer Learning Academies have demonstrated success and scored markedly higher than their peers who did not attend the Summer Learning Academies on readiness assessments.

**5. State Agency to receive requested funds :** Department of Education

State Agency Contacted? Yes

**6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,525,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,525,000</b>

**7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,525,000	59.29%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	1,047,247	40.71%
Other	0	0.00%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020</b>	<b>2,572,247</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**8. Has this project previously received state funding?** No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

**9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** Yes

a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. 1000000



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**10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended**

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Teacher and paraprofessional summer salaries for Summer Learning Academy for K-3 Title I students.	1,220,000
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	K-3 students instructional materials, supplies, summer meals on school grounds, and one-way summer bus transportation to school (parents provide the return).	305,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Operational Costs:</b>		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,525,000</b>

**11. Program Performance:**

**a. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?**

The Summer Learning Academy is a 6-week summer program with the goal of preventing summer regression for children in grades K-3 by building upon proficiencies learned during the school year in English language arts and math. The program also takes a "two-generational" by also targeting parents of the children, who are mostly considered "at-risk," and provide training to improve literacy and enhance job skills.

**b. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?**

For parents/guardians, the "2-Gen" approach including parenting assistance through the "Parent University" and adult education courses; for elementary school students enrolled in Title I schools, enhanced summer instruction in English Language Arts and Mathematics, grades K-3.

**c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?**

K-3 student English Language arts and math coursework and tutoring; providing parents with tools to help in their child's education; and enrolling parents in appropriate adult education programs to improve their literacy and/or job skills.

**d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?**

Students in grades K-3 who attend Title I schools and their parents/guardians.

**e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?**



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Students, grades K-3, who participated in the SLA program demonstrated meaningful learning gains on readiness assessment tests when compared to their peers who did not attend SLA. Measured by iReady and kindergarten "On the Mark" assessments comparing Spring to Fall performance data. Specific performance data is available upon request.

- f. **What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?**

Withholding funds.

12. **The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.**

n/a

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  - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
  - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
  - Local Entity
  - University or College
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