

Office of the Mayor

Joy F. Cooper Mayor September 7, 2016

Barbara Sharief, Vice Mayor Broward County Governmental Center 115 S. Andrews Ave., Room 437C Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 Delivered via electronic mail: bsharief@broward.org

Dear Vice Mayor Sharief,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with information for the City's student achievement and student progress technology program we would like to implement in the City's Afterschool Tutorial Program.

The rise of technology in the workspace and educational realm has fundamentally altered the delivery of K-12 education. In many recent studies, the use of technology used correctly can have a strong, positive impact on student achievement and student progress. The City of Hallandale Beach provides an Afterschool Tutorial Enrichment Program for 175 youth in grades Kindergarten through Eighth Grade.

The Friends of the Hepburn Center After School Program (ASP) provides a supervised and structured after school program for students from low and moderate income households in Grades K-8<sup>th</sup> during out of school time through educational, cultural and enrichment programmatic services. Additionally, the ASP provides via partnerships, counseling and mental health support services for youth.

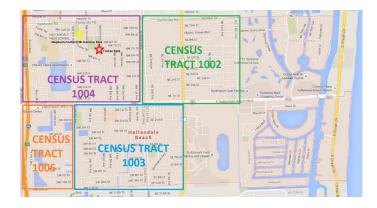
The After School Program (ASP) is an outgrowth of the need for working parents to have structured supervision for children during out of school time. The program provides educational support and homework assistance for students from Kindergarten thru Middle School.

400 S. Federal Highway Hallandale Beach, FL 33009 Ph (954) 457-1318 Fax (954) 457-1454 The program is open to students who attend schools that are within the boundaries of the city, or are residents of Hallandale Beach. Children who are not residents are welcome to attend the program if space is available. Transportation is provided to the Center for students that attend Gulfstream Academy of Hallandale Beach. The Program's goal is for 90% of student participants to advance to the next grade, which has been achieved every year.

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The population in which the program services includes the majority from the following census tracts:

- Census Tract(s) Population Data:
  - 1002 62.30% of Low/Moderate Income
  - 1003 57.18% of Low/Moderate Income
  - 1004 80.78% of Low/Moderate Income
  - 1005 59.70% of Low/Moderate Income
  - High incident of unemployment in all tracts



The City's vision is to include smart technology as a learning tool in the Tutorial Program focused on student achievement and student progress. The addition of interactive learning boards (AKA Smart Boards) and tablets or laptops will provide the students with the digital learning opportunity that they may not have access to at school or at home. The following is a breakdown of the budget to add the technology into the 7 classrooms, 75 laptops/tablets, and the necessary software and equipment needed to implement the Technology Program focused on student achievement and progress.

	Unit Cost	Units	Total
Smart Boards	\$10,000.00	7	\$70,000.00
Tablets	\$900.00	75	\$67,500.00
Software	\$540.00	75	\$40,500.00
Equipment	\$7,333.00	3	\$21,999.00
		Total	\$199,999.00

Once again, I truly appreciate this opportunity and should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Joy7Cooper Joy F. Cooper, Mayor