

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-61

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK, AS ATTESTING WITNESS, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ONEYDA M. PANEQUE, Ed. D., AS AN EVALUATION CONSULTANT TO ASSESS AND REPORT ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF AFTER-SCHOOL AND SUMMER PROGRAMING FUNDED THROUGH THE 21ST CENTRY SOARING BEYOND EXPECTATIONS GRANT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR, COMMENCING ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2014 AND ENDING ON AUGUST 31, 2015, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,250.00, IN SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMITY WITH THE AGREEMENT ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF AS EXHIBIT "1".

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Hialeah, Fla. Resolution 2015-18 (February 10, 2015), the City Council authorized the Mayor to accept a grant from the Florida Department of Education in the amount of \$695,250.00 to fund after school and summer programing, and to enter into any agreements in furtherance thereof;

WHEREAS, Oneyda M. Paneque, Ed. D., will provide the City with consulting services as program evaluator to assess and report on the effectiveness of after-school summer programming funded through the 21st Century Soaring Beyond Expectations grant from the Florida Department of Education, as detailed in the Agreement;

WHEREAS, the City, having investigated the qualifications of Oneyda M. Paneque, Ed. D., to perform all the work necessary to fully carry out her obligations and responsibilities under the Agreement and having found Oneyda M. Paneque, Ed. D., to be qualified and competent; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hialeah finds it in the best interest if the health, safety and welfare of the community to execute this Agreement to assure the quality and integrity of the City's grant-funded afterschool and summer programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1: The City of Hialeah, Florida hereby authorizes the Mayor and the City Clerk, as attesting witness, on behalf of the City, to enter into a professional services agreement with Oneyda M. Paneque, Ed. D., as an evaluation consultant to assess and report on the effectiveness of after-school and summer programming funded through the Young Leaders with Character 21st Century Steam Ahead Grant from the Florida Department of Education, for a term of one year, commencing on September 1, 2014 and ending on August 31, 2015, in an amount not to exceed \$12,250.00, in substantial conformity with the agreement attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "1".

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14 day of April, 2015.

Isis Garcia-Munoz
Council President

Attest:

Approved on this 17 day of April, 2015.

Marbelys Fatjo
City Clerk
Mayor Carlos Hernandez

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Lorena E. Bravo, City Attorney

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Resolution was adopted by a 6-0-1 vote with Council Members Casáls-Muñoz, Cue-Fuente, Garcia-Martinez, Gonzalez, Hernandez, & Lozano voting "Yes", & Councilmember Caragol, absent.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN ONEYDA M. PANEQUE, Ed. D.
AND THE CITY OF HIALEAH**

This Agreement entered into this ____ day of _____, 2015 by and between the City of Hialeah, a municipal corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Florida ("City"), 501 Palm Avenue, Hialeah, Florida 33010 and Onedya M. Paneque, Ed. D. ("Provider"), residing at 250 S.W. 129 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33184.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Hialeah, Fla., Resolution 2015-18 (Feb. 10, 2015) the City Council authorized the Mayor to accept a grant from the Florida Department of Education in the amount of \$695,250.00 to fund aftercare and tutoring programs and to enter into all agreements in furtherance thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City, having investigated the qualifications of the Provider to perform the Work of the Project Evaluator and the Work herein contemplated and found the Education Provider to be qualified and competent; and

WHEREAS, the City, having investigated the qualifications of the Provider to perform the all the work necessary to fully carry out the Scope of Services herein contemplated and found the Provider to be qualified and competent; and

WHEREAS, the City agrees to enter into this Agreement with the Provider and the Provider agrees to accept engagement under the terms and conditions set forth herein.

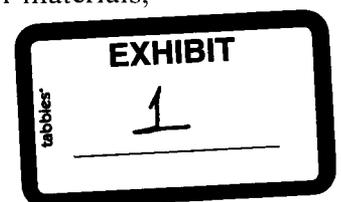
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations herein contained, and subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter stated, the parties hereto understood and agree as follows:

I. TERM

The Provider agrees to provide services within the term of one year, commencing on September 1, 2014 and ending on August 31, 2015. This Agreement will be in effect during the term indicated above. All services, work and activities as described in the Scope of Services shall be undertaken, performed and completed within the term provided herein and prior to the expiration of this Agreement. The City reserves the right to extend the commencement date of the services provided.

II. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The professional services to be performed by the Provider are contained within a proposal submitted by the Provider, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as "Exhibit 1-Scope of Work". The Provider agrees to undertake, perform and complete all necessary work, functions and activities, including providing all materials,



supplies, or labor, that may be necessary or reasonably inferred from this Agreement, at Provider's sole cost and expense, to provide the contemplated services under the Scope of Work, whether or not the work, function, activity, material, supply or labor is specifically identified and required in this Agreement.

III. COMPENSATION

A. City shall pay the Provider, as maximum compensation for the services required pursuant to paragraph II as follows:

- (i) For the summer camp program and the afterschool program: Provider shall be paid at an hourly rate of \$100.00 for work performed, calculated in 15-minute increments, or a daily rate of \$500.00 for 5 hours or more of work performed that day, whichever is less, payable monthly after presentation of an invoice.

B. The Provider must invoice the City for the work performed. The invoice shall be paid within 30 days from the date of receipt and only upon verification by City of satisfactory delivery of the services invoiced. Final payment shall be made upon submission of the Final Evaluation Report.

C. Provider must obtain prior written approval from the City prior to performing services that are outside the Scope of Services in this Agreement. The City shall not pay for any cost or expense not otherwise expressly contemplated herein, including but not limited to travel expenses.

D. Compensation is contingent upon funding from the 21st Century Grant and to the extent that the City does not receive sufficient funding to pay for future services not yet rendered during the term of this Agreement, the City is entitled to cancel this Agreement based on lack of or insufficient funding at no further cost or expense to City.

IV. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAWS

Provider shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations of federal, state and local governments, including the City, now in effect or hereafter enacted, which are applicable in any way to Provider, its officers, employees, agents, or subcontractors.

V. GENERAL CONDITIONS

All notices or other communications which shall or may be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered by personal service, or by registered mail addressed to the other party at the address indicated herein or as the same may be

changed from time to time. Such notice shall be deemed given on the day on which personally served; or if by mail, upon the date of actual receipt.

CITY

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City of Hialeah
Education and Community Services Dept.
400 West 24 Avenue, 2nd Floor
Hialeah, Florida 33016
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ONEYDA M. PANEQUE

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250 S.W. 129 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33184
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VI. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS

A. All documents developed by the Provider under this Agreement shall be delivered to City by the Provider upon completion of the services required pursuant to paragraph II hereof and shall become the property of City, without restriction or limitation of its use. City assumes the risk of reuse of all documents developed by the Provider upon delivery after completion of services. The Provider agrees that all documents maintained and generated hereto shall be subject to the applicable provisions of the Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

B. It is further understood by and between the parties that any information, writings, tapes, maps, contract documents, reports or any other matter whatsoever which is given by City by the Provider pursuant to this Agreement shall at all times remain the property of the City and shall not be used by the Provider for any other purposes whatsoever without the written consent of the City.

VII. NONDELEGABLE

The Provider acknowledges that in entering upon this Agreement, the City has relied upon the Provider's professional background and experience, including any prior experience in providing these or other similar services to the City. As such, the duties and obligations undertaken by the Provider pursuant to this Agreement shall not be delegated or assigned to any person or entity, in whole or in part, unless the City and Florida Department of Education shall first consent in writing to the performance or assignment of such service or any part thereof by another person or entity. In any instance wherein the Provider desires to effect an assignment or delegate any right or responsibility of performance under this Agreement, Provider shall provide to the City all documents and information that the City may reasonably request to allow the City to evaluate whether the proposed assignee or delegate has the integrity, reliability, experience and capability in all respect to fully perform in good faith. Consent shall not

be unreasonably withheld, and all subcontractors or assignees shall be governed by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

VIII. AWARD OF AGREEMENT

The Provider warrants that it has not employed or retained any person employed by the City to solicit or secure this Agreement and that she has not offered to pay, paid, or agreed to pay any person employed by the City any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, or gift of any kind contingent upon or resulting from the award of this Agreement.

IX. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement, its interpretation and performance, the relationship between the Parties and any dispute arising from or relating to any of the foregoing, shall be governed, construed, interpreted, and regulated under the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any litigation, which may arise in connection with this Agreement, shall be in Miami-Dade County, Florida. The Provider agrees to be subject to the jurisdiction (subject matter and in personam) of the courts in Miami-Dade County, Florida and amenable to process.

X. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties herein, their heirs, executors, legal representatives, successors and assigns.

XI. INDEMNIFICATION

To the greatest extent allowed by law, Provider releases, covenants not to sue and shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the City, the Mayor, the Council and each of its members, the City's officials, whether elected or appointed, directors, employees, representatives, agents and attorneys (collectively "Released Parties"), from and against any and all claims, suits, causes of action, damages, losses, liabilities, costs or expenses, including court costs and attorney's fees at all level of proceedings (including appellate level), and any judgments, orders or decrees entered thereon or resulting therefrom, for any personal injury, loss of life, damage to property, or any other liability, loss, cost or expense of any kind (collectively "Claims") that is caused by or results from, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, any act, or omission, or negligence of the Provider, the Provider's directors, officers, employees, contractors, subcontractors, representatives or agents, of any other person for whose acts or omissions any of them may be liable, in connection with Provider's professional services, Provider's provision of any material, supply or labor, or Provider's performance under this Agreement. Provider's obligation under this Article XI is unconditional and absolute and not subject to any set-off, defense,

deduction or counterclaim that Provider may have against any of the City's Released Parties.

XII. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

A. The Provider covenants that no person under her employ who presently exercises any functions or responsibilities on behalf of the City in connection with this Agreement has any personal financial interests, direct or indirect, with the Provider. The Provider further covenants that, in the performance of the Agreement, no person having such conflicting interest shall be employed. Any such interest on the part of the Provider or her employees must be disclosed in writing to the City.

B. The Provider is aware of the conflict of interest laws of the City, Hialeah Code Ch 26, Art. I and II; Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, § 2-11.1 et seq., and the State of Florida, Chapter 112, Part III, Florida Statutes and agree that it shall fully comply in all respects with the terms of such laws.

XIII. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The Provider, her employees, agents or representatives, shall be deemed to be independent contractors and not agents or employees of the City and shall not attain any rights or benefits under the civil service or pension ordinances of the City, or any rights generally afforded classified or unclassified employees. The Provider, her employees, agents or representatives, shall not be entitled to Florida Workers' Compensation benefits as an employee of the City.

XIV. INSURANCE

The Provider shall, at Provider's sole expense, maintain insurance coverage for such risk, limits and conditions as contained in the City of Hialeah Insurance Checklist attached as "Exhibit 2".

XV. TERMINATION

The City retains the right to terminate this Agreement upon 30 days written notice prior to the completion of the service required pursuant to paragraph II hereof without penalty to the City. In that event, notice of termination of this Agreement shall be in writing to the Provider who shall be paid for those services performed prior to the date of its receipt of the notice of termination. In no case, however, will City pay the Provider an amount in excess of the total sum provided by this Agreement.

It is hereby understood that any payment made to the Provider in accordance with this section shall be made only if the Provider is not in default under the terms of this

Agreement. If the Provider is in default, then the City shall in no way be obligated to pay and shall not pay the Provider any sum.

XVI. NONDISCRIMINATION

Provider represents and warrants to City that Provider does not and will not engage in unlawful discriminatory practices and that there shall be no unlawful discrimination in connection with Provider's performance under this Agreement on account of race, color, sex, religion, age, handicap, disability, marital status, national origin, ancestry, familial status, or sexual orientation. Provider further covenants that no otherwise qualified individual shall, solely by reason of his/her race, color, sex, religion, age, handicap, marital status, national origin, ancestry, familial status, or sexual orientation unlawfully be excluded from participation in, be denied services, or be subject to discrimination under any provision of this Agreement.

XVII. DEFAULT

If the Provider fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, or fails to perform hereunder, or files for bankruptcy or provides assignment or transfer to creditors, then the City, at its sole option upon written notice, may cancel and terminate this Agreement, and all payments, advances, or other compensation paid to the Provider. Payments made to the Provider while the Provider is in default of the provisions contained herein, shall be returned forthwith to the City.

XVIII. STAFFING AND EMPLOYEE BACKGROUND SCREENING

A. *Appropriate staffing.* The Provider represents that all people performing the Work required under this Agreement possess the knowledge and skills, either by training, experience, education, or a combination thereof, to adequately and competently perform the duties, obligations, and services set forth in the Scope of Services (Exhibit "1") and to provide and perform such services to the satisfaction of the City. The Provider further represents that all persons delivering services required by this Agreement have complied with all state and federal requirements, including, but not limited to, Level I and Level II background screening requirements. The Provider certifies that all such individuals are qualified and approved for providing services herein.

B. *Employee background screening.* According to sections 984.01(2)(a), 985.01(2)(a) and 39.001, Florida Statutes, only employees, volunteers and subcontracted personnel with a satisfactory background check through a screening agency may work in direct contact with children under the age of eighteen. Background screenings must be completed through the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), VECHS Program. However, satisfactory background screening documentation will be accepted for those agencies that already conduct business with either the Department of Children and Families (DCF) or the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) or the Miami-Dade

Public School System (MDPS). In addition, an Affidavit of Good Moral Character must be completed and notarized for each employee, volunteer and subcontracted personnel upon hiring.

XIX. CHILD ABUSE AND INCIDENT REPORTING

A. *Child abuse reporting.* The Provider and its employees shall immediately report knowledge or reasonable suspicion of abuse, neglect or abandonment of a child, aged person or disabled adult to the Florida Abuse Hotline of the statewide toll-free telephone number (1-800-96-ABUSE).

B. *Incident reporting.* The Provider shall complete an incident report in the event of any serious bodily injury to anyone within the scope of this Agreement or arising out of the performance of this Agreement. The Provider shall provide written notification of the incident together with a copy of the incident report to the City within forty-eight (48) hours.

XX. COOPERATION WITH FINANCIAL AUDIT AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

If Florida Department of Education seeks to audit the activities of the City as the grant recipient, the Provider shall fully cooperate and provide all relevant financial documents to facilitate such audit conducted under the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audit of States, Local Government and Non-Profit Organizations and the Florida Single Audit Act. In addition, the Provider shall fully comply with reporting requirements as determined by the City during the term or this Agreement.

XXI. CONSENT OF PARTICIPANTS

The Provider agrees and acknowledges that participants in the programs described in the Scope of Services will be requested to provide consent to allowing information relating to such participation to be disseminated and released to the Florida Department of Education, the funding source.

XXII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement and its attachments and exhibits constitute the sole and only agreement of the parties and accurately sets forth the rights, duties, and obligations of each to the other. Any prior agreements, promises, negotiations, or representations not expressly set forth in this Agreement are of no force and effect.

XXIII. AMENDMENT

No amendments to this Agreement shall be binding on either party unless in writing and signed by both parties.

XXIV. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Captions, title and paragraph headings are for convenient reference and are not a part of this Agreement. Such captions, title or paragraph headings shall not be deemed in any manner to modify, explain, enlarge or restrict any of the provisions contained in this Agreement.

B. In the event of conflict between the terms of this Agreement and any terms or conditions in any attached document; the terms in this Agreement shall prevail.

C. No waiver or breach of any provision of this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other provision hereof, and no waiver shall be effective unless made in writing.

D. Should any provisions, paragraph, sentence, work or phrase contained in this Agreement be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or otherwise unenforceable under the laws of the State of Florida or the City of Hialeah, such provisions, paragraphs, sentences, words or phrases shall be deemed modified to the extent necessary in order to conform with such laws, or if not modifiable to conform with such laws, then same shall be deemed severable, and in either event, the remaining terms and provisions of this Agreement shall remain unmodified and in full force and effect.

E. Further Assurances. All parties hereto upon the request of any other party shall execute such further instruments or documents as may be reasonably required by the requesting party to implement the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement.

F. All rights, obligations and provisions that by their nature are to be performed after any termination of this Agreement, shall survive any such termination.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be executed by the respective officials thereunto duly authorized, this the day and year first above written.

City of Hialeah, Florida
501 Palm Avenue
Hialeah, Florida 33010-0040

Attest:

Authorized signature on behalf of
City of Hialeah

Marbelys Fatjo
City Clerk

Mayor Carlos Hernandez Date

(SEAL)

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Lorena Bravo
Acting City Attorney

Oneyda M. Paneque, Ed.D.
250 S.W. 129 Avenue
Miami, Florida 33184

Witness
Printed/typed name: _____

Oneyda Paneque Date

Evaluation Consultant – Scope of Services 21st CCLC Afterschool and Summer Camp Program under contract year September 1, 2014- August 31, 2015

City of Hialeah Education and Community Services Department

Contract #13B-2445B-5CCC2 – Academic Achievers

Oneyda M. Paneque, Ed.D., will provide assistance as an Evaluation Consultant to the City of Hialeah Education & Community Services for the Young Leaders with Character (YLC) 21st Century, Academic Achievers after-school/summer camp program. The consultant will work closely with the Education & Community Service Director, the YLC Program Director, and assist staff to ensure the effective implementation of the evaluation plan. Agreed-upon fees for services include but are not limited to travel to sites, office supplies and software. City of Hialeah will retain all reports and documents.

Services to be rendered:

- Assistance with monthly reports and deliverables.
- Conduct 3 site visits for each site and complete Site Evaluation Form.
- Reports to send to Stakeholders, Program parents, and Website, and Community Newsletters.
- Review of the Baseline Data Collection prior to submitting to the DOE by November 2014
- Review Mid-Year Data Collection prior to submitting to the DOE by January 28, 2015.
- Review Formative Summary to submitting to the DOE by February 28, 2015
- Provide Modifications per Formative prior to submitting to DOE March 30, 2015
- Provide Stakeholder Survey / Letter prior to submitting to DOE May 30, 2015
- Review End-of-Year Data Collection prior to submitting to the DOE by June 30, 2015.
- Summative Evaluation Report to submit to the DOE due by July 31, 2015
- Review Federal Data July 31, 2015
- Quantitative data will be collected and analyzed in the preparation of the reports.
 - Program enrollment and attendance records
 - Student demographics
 - Program operation data
 - Logs of program activities for students, adults/families of students
 - Student schools records – attendance, academic and conduct grades.
 - Student / parent/ teacher surveys
 - Student Progress reports
 - Pre/post test for literacy/reading, math, and science
 - Data on staff – demographics, student to staff ratio, training, turnover, and teacher certification
 - Professional development activities evaluation
- Objective assessment
 - Pre/post test for literacy/reading, math, science including ORF and Mindworks
 - Pre/post test for fitness using PACER
 - Personal enrichment – Peace, Character Education, service learning
 - Enrichment activities pre/post for Arts for Learning, Mindlab, guitar, jewelry, and fitness class.
 - Adult Family Members participation
 - Completion of PBL activities and outcomes
- Qualitative data will consist of the following.
 - Information on quality of staff
 - Student, parent, staff interviews/feedback
- Data on partnerships and sustainability opportunities

Afterschool/ Program – cost estimate:

- Estimated cost for monthly monitoring, assistance and consultation meetings – 1.5 hours per week x 8 weeks x \$100 = \$1,200
- Estimated cost for Site Visits: 3 visits x \$300.00 x 2 sites (HEA and JMMA) = \$1,800
- Estimated cost for Formative Report and Evidence of Program Modification = (25 hours for Formative and 15 hours for Evidence of Program Modification) 40 hours x \$100 = \$4,000
- Estimated cost for Summative Report = 50 hours x \$100 = \$5,000 (Cost includes duplicating and binding of 5 copies.)
- Estimated cost for Mid Year Data : 1 report X \$125.00 = \$125.00
- Estimated cost for End of Year Data 1 report X \$125.00 = \$125.00

Total cost for evaluation services during 2014-2015 = **\$12,250**

Oneyda M. Paneque, Ed.D. Date
Evaluation Consultant

Marla Alpizar, Director Date
Department of Education & Community Services

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PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, SENIOR 2007 – present
Miami Dade College, School of Education, Miami, Florida

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, 2002 - 2007
Barry University, Adrian Dominican School of Education, Department of Graduate Education and Research, Miami Shores, Florida

INSTRUCTOR, 1996 – 2002; **COORDINATOR TITLE VII PROGRAMS**, 1995 - 1997
Florida International University, College of Education, Miami, Florida

TRAINING ASSOCIATE, 1993 - 1995
Florida Atlantic University, Multifunctional Resource Center, Title VII Project
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

EDUCATION

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, Miami, Florida
Doctorate in Education in Exceptional Student Education. Educational Psychology cognate, area of study Measurement. Evaluation & Assessment, 2004
Doctoral Dissertation – “Teacher Efficacy of Special Education Teachers of English Language Learners with Disabilities”
Candidacy Research Study – “Reducing Language Mixing Among Preschool Age Children Raised in Bilingual Environments”

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois
Master of Arts in Education, areas of specialization in Educational Psychology & Bilingual Education, 1979.
M.A. Thesis – “A Survey of Psycho-educational Testing Procedures Used with Bilingual & Non-English Speaking Children in Illinois”

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, Carbondale, Illinois
Selected as fellow for Special Study Institute on Psycho-Cultural Problems in the Education of Mexican-American Behavioral Disordered Children in Xalapa, Mexico, 1975.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, DeKalb, Illinois
Bachelor of Arts cum laude, Spanish major, History minor, 1974.

GRANTS

2013–present - Project EiEiO (Early Identification, Early Intervention Opportunities), personnel preparation grant funded by United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (Funding \$890,000) – Position: Grant Co-Director

2007–2012 - PET (Pathways to Excellence in Teaching) Project, professional development grant funded by United States Department of Education, Office of English Language Acquisition. (Funding \$1,250,000) – Position: Grant Director

2005–2008 - Project WIN (We Include Students with Diverse Needs), Personnel preparation grant funded by United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services. (Funding \$715, 300) – Position: Grant Co-Director

2004–2005 - Mini-Research Grant from LASER (Linking Academic Scholars to Educational Resources, University of South Florida, funded by the U. S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (H326M00002). (Funding \$5,000) – Position: Principal Investigator

PUBLICATIONS

Referred publications:

Paneque, O. & Rodriguez, D. (2009). Language Use by Bilingual Special Educators of English Language Learners with Disabilities. *International Journal of Special Education* 24 (3)

Paneque, O. M., & Barbetta, P. M. (2006). A Study of Teacher Efficacy of Special Education Teachers of English Language Learners with Disabilities. *Bilingual Research Journal*, 30(1), 171-193.

Paneque, O. (2006). Good intentions, bad advice for bilingual families. *Childhood Education: Infancy through early adolescence*, 82, 171-174.

PRESENTATIONS

Paneque, O., & Rodriguez, D. *Language Use by Bilingual Special Educators of English Language Learners with Disabilities*. Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 2007.

Paneque, O., & Barbetta, P. *A Study of Teacher Efficacy of Special Education Teachers of English Language Learners with Disabilities*. Annual Meeting of the American Educational Research Association, Montreal, Canada, April 2005.

Pelaez, M., & Paneque, O. *Language Mixing: A Phenomenon of Bilingual Environments*. Association for Behavior Analysis, 27th Annual Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 2001.

Pelaez, M., & Paneque, O. *Reducing Language Mixing Among Preschool Age Children Raised in Bilingual Environments*. Quinto Congreso Internacional Sobre Conductismo y Ciencias de la Conducta, Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico, October 2000.

EXTERNAL EVALUATIONS:

External Evaluator, City of Hialeah, Young Leaders with Character, Afterschool Program, funded by 21st Century Community Learning Center, Florida Department of Education, 2009 - present

External Evaluator, City of Hialeah, Creative Learning & Play Project, Out-of-School Program, funded by the Children's Trust, Miami, Florida. 2006 – present

External Evaluator, East Carolina University, Project LEAP, funded by United States Department of Education, Office of English Language Acquisition, 2008- 2012

External Evaluator, William F. Goodling, Even Start Program, Miami-Dade County Public Schools, Division of Early Childhood Programs, 2004 – 2007, 2009 - 2010