



The School District of Lee County

Project Name: Leadership, Career and College Preparatory: Creating the 21st Century Citizen

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Number of Schools Served: 2

Number of Students Served: 1,400

Year 1 Funding: \$1,579,234

The School District of Lee County (SDLC) is the ninth largest school district in Florida, and the forty-first largest district in the nation. Located on the southwestern Gulf Coast, SDLC serves 82,000 students within 119 K-12 schools. The racial/ethnic composition of the SDLC student population is 48 percent White, 30 percent Hispanic, 15 percent African American, and less than 3 percent Asian and other. Due to recent economic distress, 85 percent of SDLC students qualify for free and reduced-price meals.

The magnet initiative at SDLC will create enriching and academically challenging programs at two racially isolated schools in SDLC. These programs will attract and retain a diverse student population in a setting where all students will experience academic success. The program objectives are aligned to the six purposes of the Magnet Schools Assistance Program (MSAP) and to SDLC's diversity and achievement goals.

Using MSAP funds, SDLC will create two magnet programs:

Magnet School	Magnet Theme
East Lee County High School	Junior Reserves Officers Training Corps Leadership Academy
Fort Myers Middle Academy	College and Career Preparatory