

Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS)
Crown Associate Center
Serving Clay, Duval and Nassau Counties
Executive Summary
April 10, 2006

<u>ALLOCATION:</u>	IDEA, Part B	\$1,013,473
	IDEA, Preschool	\$ 178,387
	General Revenue	<u>\$ 85,611</u>
	Total Estimated Budget	\$1,277,471

In 1978, the Florida Legislature established the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS) as a state wide network of regional diagnostic and learning resource centers to support exceptional student education programs. The focus of the network is to assist in the provision of medical, physiological, psychological and educational testing and other services designed to evaluate and diagnose exceptionalities, to make referrals for necessary instruction and service, and to facilitate the provision of instruction and services to exceptional students and their families.

The work scope is set by the Department of Education in four primary areas. These areas are child find, human resource development, parent services, and technology. In addition, the Department of Education establishes statewide initiatives for the network to address.

The project supports the following staff positions:

- Human Resources Development – 4 ESE Specialists
- Technology- 2 ESE Specialists
- Child Find – 4 ESE Specialists
- Parent Services – 1 ESE Specialist
- Clerical – 4 Clerk/Typists
- Project Coordinator

FDLRS/Crown Associate Center serves Clay, Duval and Nassau Counties and is responsible for:

- providing assistance to parents, teachers, and other school personnel and community organizations in locating and identifying exceptional children and in planning educational programs for such children;
- assisting in the provision of services for exceptional children, using to the maximum, but not supplanting, the existing facilities and services of each district;
- providing awareness information for teachers, principals, supervisors, and community agencies to familiarize them with center facilities and services for exceptional children;
- planning, coordinating, and assisting in the implementation of in-service training programs, consistent with each district's program of staff development, for the development and updating of attitudes, skills, and instructional practices and procedures necessary effective education of exceptional children;
- assisting districts in the identification, selection, acquisition, use, and evaluation of media and materials appropriate to the implementation of instructional programs based on individual educational plans for exceptional students;
- providing for the dissemination and diffusion of significant information and promising practices derived from educational research, demonstration, and other projects; and
- assisting in the delivery, modification and integration of instructional technology, including computer applications and adaptive and assistive devices, appropriate to the unique needs of exceptional students.

The FDLRS/Crown Associate Center is governed by a Coordinating Council, which oversees the project implementation and center activities, and reviews center activities with respect to coordination and equitable provision of services to each district. An advisory committee meets regularly to provide the coordinating council and center staff programmatic input involving all center functions.