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School Operations

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF SCHOOL CALENDARS FOR  
THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR:**

**ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL CALENDAR –  
2018-2019, WITH A START DATE OF AUGUST 20, 2018**

**ADULT/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION SCHOOL CALENDAR –  
2018-2019, WITH A START DATE OF AUGUST 20, 2018**

**JUVENILE JUSTICE EDUCATION SCHOOL CALENDAR –  
2018-2019, WITH A START DATE OF JULY 6, 2018**

**COMMITTEE: PERSONNEL SERVICES AND STUDENT AND SCHOOL  
SUPPORT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC  
BLUEPRINT: SAFE, HEALTHY AND SUPPORTIVE LEARNING  
ENVIRONMENT**

Section 1001.42(4)(f), Florida Statutes, regarding the responsibility of district school boards to set school start dates states that the opening date for schools in the district may not be earlier than August 10 of each year. In order to allow the Superintendent of Schools the flexibility to make adjustments to school calendars in a timely manner should it become necessary under emergency situations, and to comply with Section 1001.42(4)(f), F.S., the following school calendars are presented for approval by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

**Elementary and Secondary School Calendar – 2018-2019**, which:

- provides 180 days of instruction for students; and
- provides 196 days for teachers (180 days for students, 10 teacher planning days, and six (6) legal holidays).

**Adult/Vocational Education School Calendar – 2018-2019**, which:

- provides 216 days of instruction for students,
- provides 234 days for teachers (216 days for students, 12 teacher planning days, and six (6) legal holidays).

**Juvenile Justice Education School Calendar – 2018-2019**, developed in compliance with Section 1003.01(11)(a) F.S.:

- provides 240 days of instruction for students; and
- provides 257 days for teachers (240 days for students, 11 teacher planning days, and six (6) legal holidays).

The proposed Elementary and Secondary School Calendar, the Adult/Vocational Education School Calendar, and the Juvenile Justice Education School Calendar were jointly developed by the School Calendar Ad Hoc Committee comprised of representatives from Miami-Dade County Public Schools, the United Teachers of Dade and the Parent Teacher Association/Parent Teacher Student Association.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve:

1. the Elementary and Secondary School Calendar – 2018 - 2019, with a start date of August 20, 2018;
2. the Adult/Vocational Education School Calendar – 2018 - 2019, with a start date of August 20, 2018; and
3. the Juvenile Justice Education School Calendar – 2018 - 2019, with a start date of July 6, 2018.