

Facilities Planning and Construction
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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AN EXCEPTION TO THE STANDARD SITE SIZE FOR
LAWTON CHILES MIDDLE SCHOOL, SHADOWLAWN ELEMENTARY
AND STATE SCHOOL GGG**

Florida Statutes require that educational facilities be adequate in size to meet the educational needs of the students to be served. Pursuant to s.235.19 Florida Statute, as amended by the 1995 Legislature, the Florida Department of Education recommends standard site sizes for educational plants. Exceptions to recommended site sizes are allowed, provided the Board, by a two-thirds majority, recommends the site and finds that it can provide an appropriate and equitable educational program on such site.

An exception to the standard site size for the following schools is necessary:

1. Lawton Chiles Middle School:

The school will be located at 8190 N.W. 197th Street in Miami-Dade. The school is on an 11.71 acre site owned by the Board.

In order for the site to accommodate a middle school with a survey recommended capacity of 1,350, a site exception must be approved.

This site is currently 4.29 acres under the site size recommended by the Department of Education.

2. Shadowlawn Elementary School:

The school will be located at 149 N.W. 49th Street in Miami-Dade. The school is on a 4.49 acre site owned by the Board.

In order for this site to accommodate a middle school with a survey recommended capacity of 482 a site exception must be approved.

This site is currently 1.51 acres under the site size recommended by the Department of Education.

3. **State School GGG:**

The school will be located at 251 East 47th Street in Hialeah. The school will be on a 7.68 acre site owned by the Board.

In order for this site to accommodate a senior school with a survey recommended capacity of 1,493, a site exception must be approved.

This site is currently 17.32 acres under the site size recommended by the Department of Education.

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

- (1) approve the exception to the existing site size for the educational facility referenced herein; and
- (2) authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Commissioner of Education at the Florida Department of Education, the Board-approved site exception for the educational facility referenced herein.

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