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School Operations

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF SCHOOL CALENDARS FOR
THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR:**

**ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL CALENDAR –
2015-2016, WITH A START DATE OF AUGUST 24, 2015**

**ADULT/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION SCHOOL CALENDAR –
2015-2016, WITH A START DATE OF AUGUST 24, 2015**

**JUVENILE JUSTICE EDUCATION SCHOOL CALENDAR –
2015-2016, WITH A START DATE OF JULY 9, 2015**

**COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK: EDUCATION**

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 14 days before Labor Day 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 – 2015-2016 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 – 2015-2016, 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 – 2015-2016, 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 and the United Teachers of Dade.

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

1. the Elementary and Secondary School Calendar – 2015 - 2016, with a start date of August 24, 2015;
2. the Adult/Vocational Education School Calendar – 2015 - 2016, with a start date of August 24, 2015; and
3. the Juvenile Justice Education School Calendar – 2015 - 2016, with a start date of July 9, 2015.

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**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2015-2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR
ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY**

August 2015				
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September 2015				
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October 2015				
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November 2015				
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December 2015				
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January 2016				
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February 2016				
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March 2016				
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April 2016				
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May 2016				
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June 2016				
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-  New Teachers Report
-  Teacher Planning Day
-  Teacher Planning Day No Opt
-  Legal Holiday

-  Recess Day
-  Beg/End of Grading Period
-  Secondary Early Release

Days in Grading Period

- 1-46
- 2-45
- 3-46
- 4-43

For information on employee opt days, please refer to back of calendar.

**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2015-2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR
ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY**

August 20, 21, 2015	Teacher planning days; no students in school
August 24	First Day of School; begin first semester
September 3	Secondary early release day
September 7	Labor Day; holiday for students and employees
September 14*+##	Teacher planning day; no students in school
September 23*+##	Teacher planning day; no students in school
October 8	Secondary early release day
October 29	End first grading period; first semester
October 30	Teacher planning day; Professional Development Day-not available to opt; no students in school
November 2	Begin second grading period; first semester
November 11	Observation of Veterans' Day; holiday for students and employees
November 25 *+##	Teacher planning day; no students in school
November 26	Thanksgiving; Board-approved holiday for students and employees
November 27	Recess Day
December 10	Secondary early release day
December 21- January 1, 2016	Winter recess for students and all employees with the exception of Fraternal Order of Police Employees
January 18	Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday; holiday for students and employees
January 22	End first semester and second grading period
January 25 *+##	Teacher planning day; no students in school
January 26	Begin second semester; third grading period
February 4	Secondary early release day
February 15	All Presidents' Day; holiday for students and employees
February 16	Teacher planning day; Professional Development Day-not available to opt; no students in school
March 17	Secondary early release day
March 21 - 25	Spring recess for students and all employees with the exception of Fraternal Order of Police Employees
April 7	End third grading period; second semester
April 8*+##	Teacher planning day; no students in school
April 11	Begin fourth grading period; second semester
May 30	Observance of Memorial Day; holiday for students and employees
June 9	Last Day of School; end fourth grading period; second semester
June 10	Teacher planning day; no students in school

NOTE: Every Wednesday students in elementary schools (Grades 2-5) and K-8 Centers (Grades 2-8) are released one (1) hour early

Job Category	Beginning Date	Ending Date
Teachers new to the system	August 13, 2015	June 10, 2016
Assistant Principals and 10-month clerical	August 13, 2015	June 17, 2016
Cafeteria Managers	August 17, 2015	June 10, 2016
Satellite Assistants	August 19, 2015	June 9, 2016
All Instructional Staff, Paraprofessionals & Security	August 20, 2015	June 10, 2016
Assistant to Cafeteria Managers/MAT Specialists	August 21, 2015	June 9, 2016
Cafeteria Workers (part-time)	August 24, 2015	June 9, 2016

***Teachers/paraprofessionals and school support personnel** may opt to work one or two days, August 18, 19, 2015, or June 13, 14, 2016, in lieu of any one or two of the following days: September 14, 2015, September 23, 2015, November 25, 2015, January 25, 2016, April 8, 2016, and October 30, 2015, and February 16, 2016, are Professional Development Days and are not available to opt.

+Teachers new to Miami-Dade County Public Schools may opt to work one or two days, June 13, 14, 2016, in lieu of any one or two of the following days: September 14, 2015, September 23, 2015, November 25, 2015, January 25, 2016, April 8, 2016, and October 30, 2015, and February 16, 2016, are Professional Development Days and are not available to opt.

#Ten-month secretarial and clerical employees may opt to work one or two days, August 11, 12, 2015, or June 20, 21, 2016, in lieu of any one or two of the following days: September 14, 2015, September 23, 2015, November 25, 2015, January 25, 2016, April 8, 2016, and October 30, 2015, and February 16, 2016, are Professional Development Days and are not available to opt.



**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2015-2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR
ADULT/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION**

August 2015				
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September 2015				
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October 2015				
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November 2015				
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December 2015				
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January 2016				
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February 2016				
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March 2016				
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May 2016				
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June 2016				
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July 2016				
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August 2016				
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-  New Teachers Report
-  Teacher Planning Day
-  Teacher Planning Day No Opt

-  Recess Day
-  Beg/End of Grading Period
-  Legal Holiday

Days in Grading Period
1-76
2-69
3-71

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**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2015-2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR
ADULT/VOCATIONAL EDUCATION**

HOLIDAYS 2015

September 7	Labor Day
November 11	Veterans' Day
November 26	Thanksgiving Day

HOLIDAYS 2016

January 18	Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday
February 15	All Presidents' Day
May 30	Observance of Memorial Day

Number of School Days in TRIMESTER 1					Number of School Days in TRIMESTER 2				Number of School Days in TRIMESTER 3				
Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Apr	May	June	July	Aug
6	19	21	17	13	18	19	18	14	5	21	22	20	3
TOTAL: 76					TOTAL: 69				TOTAL: 71				
TOTAL TRIMESTER DAYS STUDENTS ARE IN SCHOOL = 216													

*Teachers may opt to work one or more days, August 18, 19, 2015, in lieu of any of the teacher planning days except August 21, 2015, and the designated Professional Development Days, October 30, 2015, and February 16, 2016. Also, at the discretion of the principal, teachers may opt to conduct classes on a teacher planning day in lieu of a regularly scheduled class day during those times when special events and activities scheduled by the day school program disrupt on-campus adult education programs.



**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2015-2016 CALENDAR
JUVENILE JUSTICE EDUCATION**

July 2015				
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September 2015				
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	Teacher Planning Day
	Teacher Planning Day No Opt
	Legal Holiday
	Recess Day
	Saturday Classes
	Secondary Early Release
	Beg/End of Grading Period

Days in Grading Period	
1-30	4-50
2-49	5-32
3-49	6-30

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**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2015-2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR
JUVENILE JUSTICE EDUCATION**

July 1-8, 2015	Summer Break Days, no compensation
July 9	Begin Summer grading period
August 19	End Summer grading period
August 20	Teacher planning day; no students in school
August 21	Teacher planning day; no students in school
August 24	Begin first grading period, first semester
September 3	Early release day for students; half-day planning for teachers
September 7	Labor Day; holiday for students and employees
September 14*	Teacher planning day; no students in school
September 19	Saturday classes
September 23*	Teacher planning day; no students in school
October 3	Saturday classes
October 8	Early release day for students; half-day planning for teachers
October 17	Saturday classes
October 29	End first grading period
October 30	Teacher planning day; Professional Development Day – not available to opt; no students in School
November 2	Begin second grading period; first semester
November 7	Saturday classes
November 11	Observance of Veterans' Day; holiday for students and employees
November 21	Saturday classes
November 25*	Teacher planning day; no students in school
November 26	Thanksgiving; Board-approved holiday for students and employees
November 27	Recess day
December 10	Early release day for students; half-day planning for teachers
December 12	Saturday classes
December 21 – January 1, 2016	Winter recess for students and all employees with the exception of Fraternal Order of Police Employees
January 9	Saturday classes
January 18	Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday; holiday for students and employees
January 22	End second grading period; first semester
January 25*	Teacher planning day; no students in school
January 26	Begin third grading period; second semester
January 30	Saturday classes
February 4	Early release day for students; half-day planning for teachers
February 15	All Presidents' Day; holiday for students and employees
February 16	Teacher planning day; Professional Development Day – not available to opt; no students in School
February 27	Saturday classes
March 12	Saturday classes
March 17	Early release day for students; half-day planning for teachers
March 21-25	Spring recess for students and all employees with the exception of Fraternal Order of Police Employees
April 2	Saturday classes
April 7	End third grading period; second semester
April 8*	Teacher planning day; no students in school
April 11	Begin fourth grading period; second semester
April 16	Saturday classes
April 30	Saturday classes
May 14	Saturday classes
May 19	End of fourth grading period; second semester
May 20*	Teacher planning day; no students in school
May 23	Begin fifth grading period
May 30	Observance of Memorial Day; holiday for students and employees
June 11	Saturday classes
July 1	End of fifth grading period
July 4	Recess day – no compensation
July 5*	Teacher planning day; no students in school

***Teachers/paraprofessionals, school support personnel, and 10-month secretarial/clerical employees** may opt to work one or two days July 7, 2016, and July 8, 2016, in lieu of any one or two of the following days: September 14, 2015, September 23, 2015, November 25, 2015, January 25, 2016, April 8, 2016, May 20, 2016, and July 5, 2016. October 30, 2015, and February 16, 2016, are Professional Development Days and are not available to opt.