

Mr. Roberto J. Alonso, Board Member

**SUBJECT: PROPOSED 2025 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM GREATER
FLORIDA CONSORTIUM**

**LINK TO STRATEGIC
PLAN: EFFECTIVE & SUSTAINABLE OPERATIONAL PRACTICES**

The Greater Florida Consortium of School Boards (GFCSB) is a coalition of 10 coastal School Boards that have joined to assist each other in advancing educational issues of mutual concern. The member districts include Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Collier, Manatee, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Palm Beach, Pinellas, and St. Lucie counties.

In developing the GFCSB's legislative platform, member districts submitted legislative proposals for consideration and inclusion in its 2025 legislative platform. On November 7-8, 2024, GFCSB representatives met in Manatee County to finalize the draft of their proposed 2025 Legislative Program. The draft program includes only those items which were approved by the school board representatives in attendance.

All 10 member school boards must review the draft program and take official action on it. The proposed 2025 GFCSB Legislative Program is attached for reference. Each issue must be supported by all member districts before inclusion in the final adopted program. If a member school district votes to remove an issue from the proposed program, the issue is removed from the GFCSB program. Since the 2025 legislative session is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, March 2, 2025, with legislative committee work to begin in December, member boards are asked to review and adopt the GFCSB's legislative program as soon as possible. Once all member boards have officially adopted the 2025 Legislative Program, it will be distributed to the Governor, State Cabinet, all legislators, and interested citizen groups.

This item has been reviewed and approved by the Office of the General Counsel as to form and legal sufficiency.

This item does not appear in the published agenda. There is Good Cause to vary from the published agenda because the finalization of the draft program occurred after publication and state legislative committees begin meeting prior to the Board's next regularly scheduled meeting.

ACTION PROPOSED BY

MR. ROBERTO J. ALONSO: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, adopt the proposed draft of the Greater Florida Consortium of School Boards 2025 Legislative Program.

**GOOD CAUSE
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