

Board of Education

ACTION

TITLE: Consider Adopting 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 School Year

Calendars

DATE: January 24, 2022

RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR: Martin Mahan

Deputy Superintendent

VISION 2023 STRATEGY: Strategy 4: Instruction

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

The Arkansas Legislation passed ACT 688 in the last session. ACT 688 states that beginning with the 2022-2023 school calendar that the earliest the first day of the school can be scheduled is on the Monday that is two weeks prior to Labor Day. Meetings have been conducted with the Classified Personnel Policy Committee, the Certified Personnel Policy Committee (PPC), and the administrative team. The PPC Calendar Committee and an Administrative Calendar Committee provided feedback and input in the proposed 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 School Year Calendars. The PPC voted to endorse and the administrative team supports the two proposed calendars.

RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends that the Board of Education approve the updated 2022-2023 School Year Calendar and the 2023-2024 School Year Calendar as presented.

If the Board agrees, the motion would read: move to approve the updated 2022-2023 School Year Calendar and the 2023-2024 School Year Calendar, as presented.

<u>VISION 2023 STRATEGIES</u> - 1. Career Planning: Develop and implement education and career pathways so that each student graduates with a viable plan and relevant skill set for his or her future. 2. Equity: Develop and implement a system-wide plan to provide all students with the resources they need to optimize their learning. 3. Instruction: Design, develop and implement programs to promote rigor, relevance, collaboration, critical—thinking skills and learning environments designed to meet each student's unique needs and aspirations.

4. Learning Environment/Facilities: Align resources, facilities and technology strategically and equitably across the district to maximize security and enhance the learning environment. 5. Staffing: Recruit and retain highly-qualified faculty, staff and administration. 6. Technology: Provide appropriate technology that is consistently available, effectively supported and equitably distributed for group and individual instruction.

7. Wellness: Develop and train empathetic and nurturing employees to be sensitive to and supportive of the needs of all children and families.