9C. Action Date: December 17, 2007

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF 2008-2009 SCHOOL CALENDAR

**BOARD GOAL:** All students will achieve educational excellence.

All systems in the Keller Independent School District will be effective, efficient, and accountable in support of the district's

mission.

FISCAL NOTE: None

## **Background Information:**

- 2,871 responses to survey on school calendar
- 64.4% chose Option 2 for 2008-09 calendar
- 40% of respondents made comments
- Most frequent comments included: wanting a full week of vacation at Thanksgiving, wanting more breaks throughout the year, wanting a fall break, and not having a professional development day on January 2.

## **Administrative Considerations:**

Option 2 provides:

- 88 instructional days in the fall; 90 instructional days in the spring
- Student holidays include Labor Day, Columbus Day, 3 days at Thanksgiving and 2 weeks at Christmas in the Fall semester; and
- Martin Luther King Day, 1 week at Spring Break, Good Friday and Memorial Day in the Spring semester
- Bad weather days are the Monday after Easter in April and the day after school is out in June
- 16 days in June to prepare SSI students for the TAKS test on June 30 and July 1

The administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve Option 2 as the 2008-2009 school calendar as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

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