

School Board Meeting:

August 24, 2020

Subject:

Revision of 2020-21 School Calendar

Presenter:

Scott Thielman, Superintendent

SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

Recommend approval

DESCRIPTION:

With the changes in how the day-to-day school procedures will look this year, it is recommended that additional time be provided for our staff to ensure that classrooms are ready and all COVID-19 requirements are being met.

- This will provide all staff time to be able to work through the new procedures that will be put into place before students attend the first day of school.
- We also want to take additional time to help students adjust to the new daily routines.
- The district typically has four days with teachers to plan and prepare for the arrival of our students prior to the start of the school year.
- In a normal year, having only four days with teachers is limiting and, in a pandemic, it is not sufficient.

Therefore, it has been determined that the school calendar should be modified and the first day of school be moved to Thursday, September 10, and attendance will be scheduled in a way to have smaller groups of students attend the first two days of school. This gives all staff two additional days to prepare for the return of students and gives students the opportunity to familiarize themselves with classroom locations and new procedures in a smaller group setting.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- **2020-21 Revised School Calendar**