AGENDA

ITEM

GOAL: 1 OBJECTIVE: 1.A, 1.B, & 1.C

SUBJECT:

Consider Board approval of the 2025-2026 Huntsville ISD Instructional Calendar.

RATIONALE:

House Bill 1 mandates that the school year begins no earlier than the fourth Monday in August unless the district operates on a year-round schedule. However, our designation as a District of Innovation allows us the flexibility to start the school year earlier. The proposed calendar reflects an earlier student start date of August 13, 2025, which aligns with our instructional and operational goals.

The earlier start date provides additional instructional time before key assessment periods, supports student success, and allows for a balanced distribution of instructional days throughout the academic year. The proposed calendar also takes into account feedback on priorities such as professional development days, holidays, and grading periods to meet the needs of both staff and families.

The development of the proposed calendar was a collaborative process that incorporated input from multiple stakeholders, including District Administrative Staff, Campus Principals, Campus Staff, and the District Advisory Committee. The District Advisory Committee is a representative body composed of parents, business leaders, and district staff members, ensuring a broad spectrum of perspectives was considered.

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> The administration recommends approval of the

Huntsville ISD Instructional Calendar for the 2025-

2026 school year.

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