

CONTINUATION OF SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND

Chapter 2005-73, General Laws, further explains that House Bill 227 is, “An act relating to children’s summer nutrition programs; providing a popular name; requiring each district school board to develop a plan to sponsor a summer nutrition program; providing criteria for operating summer nutrition program sites; authorizing exemption from sponsoring a summer nutrition program and providing procedures thereafter; requiring a district school board to annually reconsider its decision to be exempt; authorizing district school boards to encourage not-for-profit entities to sponsor a summer nutrition program under certain circumstances; authorizing a superintendent of schools to collaborate with specified agencies and private, not-for-profit leaders to implement a summer nutrition program; providing reporting; directing the Department of Agriculture to provide each district school board with a list of organizations intending to participate; providing an effective date.” **Participation in the Ms. Willie Ann Glenn Act by Broward County Public Schools is not necessary to ensure adequate summer feeding sites within the District since additional resources are not available; the District already has a Summer Feeding Program, and approximately 45 - 55 schools with 50 percent or more students eligible for free/reduced meals will open for the Summer of 2015. The final number depends upon the number of schools hosting summer school, Voluntary Pre-K, and summer programs not related to District activities that use the schools in the summer.** Providers and vendors will be identified after the Department of Agriculture Summer Feeding training. The District initially notified the Commissioner of Education in 2006, and each year thereafter, of its decision not to participate, and is required to do so on an annual basis.