

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Final Adoption of Revisions to School Board Policy 5004.1, School Choice

Major revisions to School Board Policy 5004.1 were last made in 2013 and adopted on January 22, 2014. At that time, the purpose of the revisions was to define commonly used terms, clarify the Choice application process, clarify the hardship appeal process, and to include language on the College Academy @ Broward College.

Current proposed revisions to the Policy are to update and add definitions for Active Duty Military Personnel, Assignment Priority, Boundary School, Children of Military Families, College Academy @ Broward College, Computerized Random Selection Process, Employee, English Language Learner, Exceptional Student, FISH, Homeless Student, Innovation Zone, Magnet Schools/Programs, Opportunity Scholarship Program, Parent/Guardian, Reassignments, Special Program, and Transportation Zone; add a new section defining Exceptional Student Education; update Innovative Program priorities, update Magnet Program eligibility and priorities; update Nova priorities; update Opportunity Scholarship eligibility; update reassignment priorities and appeals, update all College Academy @ Broward College language; and include a new section on the McKay Scholarship.

The revisions were inclusive of input from a Policy Review Committee, the Diversity Committee, the District Advisory Committee, the Human Relations Committee, and were discussed by the School Board at the June 16, 2015 School Board Workshop and at the August 25, 2015 Public Rule Development Workshop.