

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy  
5204

Grades	6-8
Benchmark Day Enrollment Count	217
Current Enrollment	214
Target Population	Neighborhoods surrounding the school
Curriculum Focus	Traditional
School Grade 2016-2017	A
School Grade 2015-2016	B

Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School  
5182

Grades	9-12
Benchmark Day Enrollment Count	255
Current Enrollment	245
Target Population	Neighborhoods surrounding the school
Curriculum Focus	Traditional
School Grade 2016 – 2017	C
School Grade 2015-2015	C

Section 1002.33(7)(a)19c Florida Statutes, provides as follows:

(c) A charter may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term upon the recommendation of the sponsor or the charter school’s governing board and the approval of both parties to the agreement.

Modification may include, but is not limited to, consolidation of multiple charters into a single charter if the charters are operated under the same governing board and physically located on the same campus, regardless of the renewal cycle. [Emphasis added]

The Sponsor has conducted annual reviews of the charter schools’ academic progress, operational performance and financial viability and both charter schools are operating within the scope of the charter agreements.

Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy – 5204, desires to consolidate with Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School – 5182, thereby concluding its Charter School Agreement (known as Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy – 5204), as of June 30, 2018.

Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School – 5182, desires to change the name of the consolidated school to The Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy – 5182 as of July 1, 2018.

Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School – 5182, desires to amend its Charter School Agreement to allow it to serve students previously enrolled in Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy – 5204, as well as students assigned to The Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy –

5182, f/k/a Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School – 5182 thereby effecting a charter school consolidation as prescribed by state statute.

The original agreement with Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy – 5204, was approved at the April 21, 2015, Regular School Board Meeting, Item L-1. The original agreement acknowledged the school’s co-location with Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School – 5182. On July 28, 2015, an amendment to Charter School Agreement for Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy – 5204, was approved at the Regular School Board Meeting, Item L-8 to allow the colocation with Ben Gamla Charter High School - 5005.

The original agreement with Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School – 5182, was approved at the April 21, 2015, Regular School Board Meeting, Item L-2. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020. On July 28, 2015, an amendment to the Charter School Agreement with Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School – 5182, was approved at the Regular School Board Meeting, Item L-6 to co-locate with Ben Gamla Charter High School – 5005. On May 17, 2016, a second amendment to the Charter School Agreement with Ben Gamla Preparatory Charter High School – 5182 was approved at the Regular School Board Meeting, Item L-3 to consolidate with Ben Gamla Charter High School – 5005 with the remaining MSID 5182.

This statutorily permissible consolidation does not impact current charter student placement but limits the contract capacity of the remaining charter school, The Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy – 5182, to a total of 400.

The Ben Gamla Preparatory Academy– 5182, is located within District 1.

The governing board members of the National Ben Gamla Charter School Foundation reside in Miami-Dade County, Florida.