

February 4, 2020 – School Board Operational Meeting
K-1 General Fund Amendment #2
As of January 31, 2020
Executive Summary

The General Fund Amendment is submitted to the School Board pursuant to State Board Administrative Rule 6A-1.007. This amendment is for the purpose of updating the Broward County School District budget for estimated revenues and appropriation changes in the General Fund. The amendment conforms the budget to the Third Calculation of FEFP which was received on January 17, 2020.

This amendment incorporates several important changes:

1. Based on the State information received for the October FTE count, the District's overall student enrollment (including charter schools, McKay Scholarship students, and Family Empowerment Scholarship [FES] vouchers) had an increase of 1,645.58 student FTEs compared to forecasted enrollment. However, after the increases within charter schools, the McKay scholarship, and FES voucher program are excluded, the District's schools experienced a **decrease** in enrollment of 927 student FTEs.
2. In addition, as it is Florida Department of Education (FDOE) yearly practice, the McKay Scholarship Program funding was reduced from our revenue and paid out to participants. The FDOE includes the McKay Scholarship Program in the total FEFP funding for the school district at the beginning of the year. Following the October FTE count, the FDOE reduces the funding to the District by the actual McKay scholarship amount, which for the 2019-20 budget year is \$19.5 million.
3. Effective in FY 2020, the State enacted the FES voucher program for low and middle-income students. The FDOE included the FES voucher program in the total FEFP funding for the school district at the beginning of the year. After the October FTE count, FDOE reduced the funding to the District by the actual FES scholarship amount, which for the 2019-20 budget year is \$10.8 million. Since this is the first year of the FES Program, staff were not able to estimate the impact at the time of budget development. This item includes the impact of the cost for 1,700 scholarships and the cost of \$10.8M.
4. For the first time in several years, the State pro-rated funds to match appropriations. The State underestimated total student count by unweighted FTE of 10,319.46 at the cost of \$29,419,812 statewide. The impact to the District included in the third calculation is a further reduction in funding of \$2,706,194; the proration was not anticipated and, as a result, will result in a reduction of fund balance.