Executive Summary

Section 1002.33(6)(b)5, Florida Statutes, states:

Upon approval of an application, the initial startup shall commence with the beginning of the public school calendar for the district in which the charter is granted. A charter school may defer the opening of the school's operations for up to 3 years to provide time for adequate facility planning. The charter school must provide written notice of such intent to the sponsor and the parents of enrolled students at least 30 calendar days before the first day of school.

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The following approved charter applicants have requested deferrals for good cause cited: unable to secure suitable facility.

- 1. North Star Charter Academy, Inc. (North Star Academy)
- 2. RISE Charter Schools (R.I.S.E. Charter Schools)

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1. Somerset Academy, Inc. (Somerset Academy Blue Palms)

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that The School Board of Broward County, Florida, exercising its duties as Sponsor, grant a deferral to the 2021-2022 school year for the aforementioned approved charter applicants pursuant to Section 1002.33(6)(b)5, Florida Statutes. Prior to executing a written contractual agreement with The School Board of Broward County, Florida, the approved applicant shall update its charter school application in the areas of 1) budget, and 2) any additional applicable modifications resulting from this delay.