

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**Title:** School-Based Calendar Waivers for Educational Purposes

**Type of Executive Summary:**

- Action
- Action on First Reading
- Discussion
- Information

**Policy Implications:**

- Constitution \_\_\_\_\_
- General Statute #GS 115C-84.2
- SBE Policy # \_\_\_\_\_
- SBE Policy Amendment
- SBE Policy (New)
- APA # \_\_\_\_\_
- APA Amendment
- APA (New)
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Presenter(s):** Mr. Robert L. Logan (Associate Superintendent, Innovation and School Transformation)

**Description:**

Calendar Waivers for Educational Purposes are being presented to the State Board for approval. School-based calendar waiver requests are submitted for State Board Action per GS 115C-84.2. This statute states that the State Board may waive the opening and closing dates specified in the School Calendar Law for educational purposes that may include

- a specific school to accommodate a special program offered generally to the student body of that school,
- a school that primarily serves a special population of students, or
- a defined program within a school.

**Resources:**

N/A

**Input Process:**

N/A

**Stakeholders:**

LEAs, school staff, students, and parents

**Timeline For Action:**

This item is presented for Action on First Reading at the March 2008 Board meeting.

**Recommendations:**

The State Board of Education is requested to review and approve the following calendar waivers for educational purposes recommendations.

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**Audiovisual equipment requested for the presentation:**

- Data Projector/Video (Videotape/DVD and/or Computer Data, Internet, Presentations-PowerPoint preferred)  
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- Audio Requirements (computer or other, except for PA system which is provided)  
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- Document Camera (for transparencies or paper documents – white paper preferred)  
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Motion By: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_ Postponed \_\_\_\_\_ Revised \_\_\_\_\_

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**School Calendar Waivers  
Educational Purposes  
2008-09**

<b>SBE Region</b>	<b>LEA</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Rationale</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
5	Alamance-Burlington Schools	H. M. Cummings High	Framework for Immediate Action as a priority high school was designed to meet the needs of individual learners by creating flexible scheduling with extended hours. This school is asking for completing the first semester prior to winter break.	Do not grant waiver. All schools on block schedule could request similar waiver, and this request does not align with the purposes of the School Calendar Law.
		Eastlawn Elementary	Movement to a year-round schedule is the plan for Corrective Action under Title I.	Waiver not required. System is requesting a move to a year round schedule.
		Haw River Elementary	Target the needs of a Title I School in Year 2 of School Improvement. This school would like to begin year-round operation.	Waiver not required. System is requesting a move to a year round schedule.