

SCHOOL BOARD RESOLUTION ON SCHOOL START DATE CHANGE

School District of Prentice

WHEREAS the State of Wisconsin by state statute has indicated that public school districts in the State of Wisconsin cannot start school before September 1 pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes §118.045 Commencement of School Term; and

WHEREAS our students in the School District of Prentice are ready to return to school in mid- to late-August, and

WHEREAS local control over the start date would allow for additional days of instruction for students prior to state and local assessments and preparation for the ACT and Advanced Placement; and

WHEREAS local control over the start date will allow the School District of Prentice to align its school calendar with post-secondary institutions to better meet the needs of our students; and

WHEREAS local control over the start date will allow the School District of Prentice district staff to participate in professional development college coursework for license renewal as PK-12 schedules become more aligned with postsecondary schedules; and

WHEREAS local control over the start date will allow the School District of Prentice to better align its school calendar with the co-curricular schedule for students that begins in early August; and

WHEREAS local control of the start date will enhance our summer school programming following Memorial day and preceding Independence Day (4th of July) with additional time and days with leaving the entire month of July open for families and vacations; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the School District of Prentice recommends to the State Legislature and Governor that Wisconsin Statutes §118.045 Commencement of School Term be amended to remove the start date requirement and return the school start date our local board-of-education in our community; and

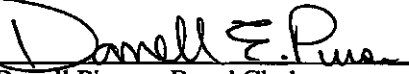
BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that the School District of Prentice will be better able to educate its school children and set a school calendar start date that is aligned with our community values; and

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that on February 20, 2017, the School District of Prentice unanimously passed this Resolution in order to establish local control for the school calendar in future school years by a 9-0 vote.


Dated this 20th day of February 2017.



Randy Erickson, Board President



Darrell Pierson, Board Clerk



Randy J. Bergman, District Administrator