

## School Board Resolution on Start Date Change

**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 **Wis. Stat. sec. 118.045 Commencement of school term; 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 preparation for the ACT and Advanced Placement; and

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

**WHEREAS** charter and voucher school districts have the flexibility to start prior to September 1st and still receive public funding from the State of Wisconsin.

**WHEREAS** the State Superintendent is recommending in his 2017-2019 Biennial Budget to allow the Milwaukee Public School District to be provided an exception to this provision in the state law **to allow the district to maximize learning opportunities**; therefore this opportunity should be granted for all school districts in the State of Wisconsin.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Granton Area School District is officially requesting approval to commence the school term for the 2017-2018 school year on August 28, 2017, and establish local control in determining the school calendar.

**BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER** that the Granton Area School District will be better able to educate its children because of this flexibility as greater outcomes are anticipated academically.

**BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER** that on January 9, 2017 the Granton Area School District passed the Resolution in order to establish local control for the school calendar by a   5-0   vote.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017

  
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Theresa Hasz, Board President

  
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Paul Knoff, Board Clerk

  
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Charles Buckel, District Administrator