



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF TURTLE LAKE

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"The Turtle Lake School Community instills excellence in staff and students producing graduates with the knowledge and tools necessary to excel in all aspects of life."

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF TURTLE LAKE BOARD RESOLUTION ON SCHOOL START DATE

WHEREAS, pursuant to **Wis. Stat. Sec. 118.05 Commencement of school term**, the State of Wisconsin provides that public school districts cannot start school prior to September 1; and

WHEREAS, the school board may commence a school term prior to September 1 if it submits a written request to the Department of Public Instruction asking for an earlier start date listing the extraordinary reasons for the earlier start date request; 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 exams; and

WHEREAS, local control over the start date will allow the School District of Turtle Lake staff to participate in professional development coursework throughout the course of the school year, which is better aligned with best practices for adult learning; and

WHEREAS, local control over the start date will allow School District of Turtle Lake 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 1 and still receive public funding from the State of Wisconsin; and

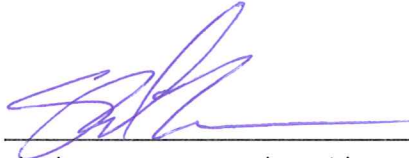
WHEREAS, the State Superintendent is recommending in his 2017-19 Biennial Budget to allow the Milwaukee Public School District to be provided an exception to this provision in the state law to allow the district to maximize learning opportunities; therefore, this opportunity should be granted for all school districts in the State of Wisconsin.

BE IT RESOLVED that the School District of Turtle Lake is officially requesting approval to commence the school term prior to September 1 and establish local control in determining the school calendar.

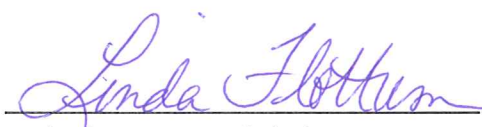
BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that the School District of Turtle Lake will be better able to educate its students because of this flexibility as great outcomes are anticipated academically as well as preventing absenteeism and for the safety of students.

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER that on April 10th, 2017. The School District of Turtle Lake passed this Resolution in order to establish local control for the school calendar by a 5-0 vote.

Dated this 10th day of April, 2017



Shad Torgerson, Board President



Linda Flottum, Board Clerk



Kent M. Kindschy, Superintendent