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April 4, 2018

Tommy Chang, Superintendent

Boston Public Schools

2300 Washington Street, 5th Floor

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Re: Amendment to the Paul A. Dever Elementary School Turnaround Plan

Dear Dr. Chang:

I have reviewed your request to modify the Turnaround Plan for the Paul A. Dever Elementary School to align the Dever calendar with the Boston Public Schools’ calendar. (See attached proposal dated March 27, 2018.)

As you noted, this change is in response to the low rate of attendance for Dever students on days when the BPS are not in session. Accordingly, for the reasons set for in the proposal, and pursuant to G.L. c. 69, §§1J(t) and (v), I modify the Dever school turnaround plan to align the Dever student calendar with the BPS student calendar by reducing the number of student days from 186 days to 180 days and increasing the length of the student day by 10 minutes each day.

Sincerely,

**SIGNED BY ACTING COMMISSIONER WULFSON**

Jeff Wulfson

Acting Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education

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