

Arizona State Board for Charter Schools

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INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS AMENDMENT REQUEST

(Charter Holder Name) **ACCLAIM Academy** (CTDS) **0780701**

(Charter Holder Mailing Address) **7624 W. Indian School Road**

(City, State) **Phoenix, Arizona** (Zip) **85033**

(Charter Representative's Name) **Melanie Powers**

(Phone Number) **623-691-0919** (Fax Number) **623-691-6091**

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✚ Changes in number of contractual days of instruction

Included is the following:

- Board minutes approving the change (If the body is subject to Open Meeting Law, minutes must comply with ARS §38-431.01)

The Arizona State Board for Charter Schools and ACCLAIM Academy (Charter Holder), herein agree to amend the terms of the charter contract as follows:

FROM: 145 Instructional Days

TO: 153 Instructional Days

Fiscal Year Effective Date: 2010-2011

In witness whereof, Charter Holder has signed this contract amendment as of this 15th day of April, 2010, and the State Board for Charter Schools has signed this contract amendment as of this ____ day of ____, 20__, to take effect at such time as it is signed by both parties.



Charter Representative Signature

Representative Signature for the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools

ACCLAIM Academy
7624 W. Indian School Rd.
Phoenix, Arizona 85033

MINUTES
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

April 7, 2010
4:30 P.M.

Roll Call: Melanie Powers, Maricela Garay, Lottie Chunowitz and Andrea Woods.
Absent: Barry Lapin

Approval of Printed Agenda: Motion by Ms. Woods, seconded by Ms. Garay to approve the printed agenda with no changes.

Motion passed 4-0.

2010-2011 School Calendar Approval:

We all know the correlation between more instructional time and higher achievement. In relation to that, the staff has requested more instructional days for the 2010-2011 school year. We have gone to a four-day school week for budgetary and environmental concerns. This has proven beneficial and we would like to continue the four-day week.

In order to increase the amount of instructional time, the proposal is to add two more weeks of class. Because of the let-down after AIMS testing as well as the heat in June, adding instructional days in June isn't optimal. The heat is also an issue if we were to begin the school year in July rather than in August. Thus the proposal is to reduce the fall and spring breaks from two weeks each to one each. This would add one week to second quarter and one week to fourth quarter. The week in fourth quarter would be timely to use for focusing on preparation for the AIMS test. The teachers worked out a calendar that will allow for increasing the number of instructional days as stated without increasing the number of teacher contract days. This was important due to the current budget crisis.

The Governing Board consulted on the proposal. Ms. Chunowitz moved that we accept the proposed Calendar that adds two weeks of instructional days to the calendar and Ms. Woods seconded.

Motion passed 4-0.

Announcements: Next Board Meeting: April 16, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment: Motion by Mrs. Chunowitz, seconded by Ms. Garay to adjourn the meeting at 5:27 p.m.

Motion passed 4-0.