6A-6.0787 Ballot Process for Teacher and Parent Voting for Charter School Conversion Status.

An application be proposing to covert an existing public school to a charter school must demonstrate the support of teachers and parents in accordance with Section 1002.33(3)(b), F.S. The following provisions are established to detail the ballot process by which such support shall be demonstrated.

- (1) Initiation of ballot process. A district school board, the principal, teachers, parents, and/or the school advisory council at an existing public school that has been in operation for at least two (2) years may submit a request in writing to the school administrator to conduct a vote for conversion. The request shall be submitted no later than ninety (90) days prior to the August 1 deadline for charter applications. The administrator shall complete initiate the ballot process within sixty (60) days of receipt of the written request and the ballot process shall be completed no less than thirty (30) days prior to the charter application deadline.
 - (2) No change.
 - (3) Ballot results.
 - (a) through (c) No change.
- (d) If a majority of teachers employed at the school and a majority of voting parents support the charter proposal, the conversion charter application must be submitted <u>during the same calendar year the vote is held</u> by the application deadline that follows the ballot. The ballot results may not carry over to another school year or application period.
- (e) If a majority of parents and/or teachers do not support the charter proposal, the application may not be submitted to the sponsor.
 - (f) Only one (1) vote per <u>calendar</u> school year may be held.
 - (4) through (5) No change.

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