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### **Policy 5.016 - Choice Schools and Programs**

1. Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to set forth:

- the District's choice schools and programs that may be available to this School District's eligible students;
- the procedures for applying for these programs; and
- the eligibility requirements, Choice programs, magnet schools, special programs and career academies

- The Procedures Manual for Choice Schools and Programs is hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein and is available on the Department of Choice and Career Options Website at <https://www.palmbeachschools.org/choiceprograms/>.
- Implementation of the procedures in the Choice Department Procedures Manual for Choice and Career Options shall be coordinated by the Director of the Department of Choice and Career Options.
- The School District's Choice Programs Booklet is incorporated herein by reference as if fully sets forth herein and is available on the website of the Department of Choice and Career Options at <https://www.palmbeachschools.org/choiceprograms/>. This booklet sets forth the application and eligibility criteria, the lottery selection process, transportation, and specific program information. The content of this booklet changes annually with new dates, changes in programs, program information, curriculum and eligibility, etc.
- Within these documents there will be references to current information as to existing programs and some of the individuals involved. These may change during the year. These documents are not intended to create any rights as to the continuation of these current specific programs, sites and/or personnel relating to these programs.
- All PBSB forms referenced in the Procedures Manual for Choice Programs and Schools and/or the Choice Programs Booklet are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein and can be found at <https://www.palmbeachschools.org/choiceprograms/> and are available in English, Spanish, Portuguese and Creole. The Department of Choice and Career Options will assist individuals in need of additional language support.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Fla. Stat. §§ 120.81 (1) (a) 1001.41(1) & (2);1001.32(2); 1001.42 (28)

LAWS IMPLEMENTED: Fla. Stat. §§ 1001.32(2); 1001.41(1); 1001.42(4)(3) & (6); 1002.20(6)(a)

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Attachment: Choice Schools and Programs Procedures Manual

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