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## **Professional Study Days for 2022-2023**

- **September 1, 2022**
- **November 3, 2022**
- **February 2, 2023**
- **April 6, 2023**

### **Highlights from the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the School Board of Broward County (SBBC), Florida and The Broward Teachers Union (BTU):**

- Continuing with the 2022-2023 school year, Broward County high schools may utilize any number of designated days, not to exceed four (4), for additional professional study hours for the purpose of implementing school-wide plans to improve student achievement.
- Planning and collaborating are necessary components and require additional time for deep collegial conversations within authentic professional learning communities and professional development opportunities in order to meet the unique challenges faced by high schools.
- A minimum of fifty percent (50%) of the professional study hours shall be devoted to structured conversations using the protocol tools for professional learning communities.
- These conversations shall be centered on the Florida State Standards and/or teacher instructional strategies/practices.
- In order to establish the hours for up to four (4) Professional Study Days, each school must initiate and conduct a waiver vote.

### **Rationale for the selection of dates:**

- It was the intent of both SBBC and the BTU to strive to choose dates that are on the first Thursday of each calendar month within the school year.
- The dates were presented to the District Calendar Committee for review.
- Two (2) professional study days have been scheduled for the first semester and two (2) have been scheduled for the second semester.
- Professional Study Days do not conflict with the testing calendar.
- Professional Study Days are not scheduled during weeks with another scheduled Early Release Day.