**MCCPTA Committee Work Plan**

**Ad Hoc Committee:** School Year Analysis Committee

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**Vision**

*MCCPTA’s Mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. A critical component of actualizing this mission needs to be evaluating the status quo to examine if the systems and processes in our school system are directed at ensuring every child’s potential. When data shows that that is not the case, then we must advocate for change.*

*Our current school year structure is the result of historic factors (many of which are no longer relevant) rather than an intentional approach towards what is best for all children. Examining the structure of our school year is a clear and simple way that we can ensure all children is given the opportunity to fulfil their potential.*

**Advocacy Priorities**

* Advocacy priorities **will be defined by what the data analysis show** and cannot be outlined a priori**.**

**Action Steps**

* Engage the BOE and MCPS central office to understand the historic issues and discussions around the school year structure.
* Engage reputable educational think tanks and similar institutions to garner more information on the school year structure, alternate models and other related issues.
* Perform a review of the literature, both scholarly and within the general media to review and build out an understanding of the issues surrounding the school year structure.
* Engage in discussions with relevant stakeholders identified to further expand the understanding of the issues as they related to the local MCPS context.
* Generate advocacy priority, including, if warranted, possible recommendations for how MCPS should adjust its approach to the school year calendar.
* Present findings to Delegates Assembly to advocate for a resolution based on findings (note: depending on the timing we may or may not be able to get info included on the advocacy priorities at the start of the 2021-2022 year).

**Meeting Schedule**

Monthly with ad hoc meetings possible based on circumstances.

**Expenses**

N/A. No expenses are expected for this action as it will use volunteers.