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FROM: Cynthia Hormel, Director of School Nutrition Services

THROUGH: Lois F. Berlin, Ed.D., Interim Superintendent of Schools
Richard Jackson, Chief Operating Officer

TO: The Honorable Ramee A. Gentry, Chair, and Members of the Alexandria City School Board

TOPIC: Overview of the ACPS School Nutrition Services Program

BACKGROUND:

School Nutrition Services (SNS) supports the educational mission and instructional programs of ACPS by providing nutritious meals to students and staff. School Nutrition Services provides a variety of choices for meals that meet the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, 2015. Meals are planned using USDA mandated criteria for menu patterns as a guide that ensures a focus on whole grains, fruits and vegetables, lean proteins and low fat dairy. Nutritious meals give ACPS students the opportunity to make educated, healthy food choices that will have positive physical outcomes and contribute to high academic achievement.

The SNS Department also provides valid, evidenced-based nutrition education to students so they have the ability to make educated lifestyle choices about the foods they eat. We strive to offer a high level of customer service, operate a financially responsible and self-sustaining program, are environmentally friendly, and attract, hire and retain the best staff possible.

The School Nutrition Service program continues to work toward establishing long-term Specific, Measureable, Aggressive and Achievable, Results-Driven, Time-Bound (SMART) goals.

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ATTACHMENTS:

- Presentation: School Nutrition Services Overview
- Menu Calendar, School Nutrition Services (Item will be distributed in hard copy to Board Members.)