BOARD BRIEF

Date: February 15, 2019 For ACTION _____ For INFORMATION _X____ Board Agenda: Yes _____ No X

FROM:	Mignon Anthony, Chief Operations Officer Kurt Huffman, Director of School, Business and Community Partnerships
THROUGH:	Gregory C. Hutchings, Jr., Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
то:	The Honorable Cindy M. Anderson, Chair, and Members of the Alexandria City School Board
TOPIC:	Community United For Renewable Energy (CURE) Partnership

BACKGROUND:

In the Fall of 2018, the representatives of CURE (Community United For Renewable Energy) met with the Office of School, Business and Community Partnerships and members of the ACPS Operations Team to discuss a possible partnership that would support the increased student awareness of sustainable energy at T.C. Williams and promote projects to increase energy efficiency and reduce ACPS's waste. Throughout the following months, various internal staff met with CURE to work through the different components (expectations/support of each party, goals, benchmarks and objectives) of the partnership.

SUMMARY:

On February 11th, 2019, Alexandria City Public Schools entered into a formal partnership with the Community United for Renewable Energy (CURE) to increase student and staff awareness for green energy changes and projects. CURE is comprised of several students at T.C. Williams who are passionate about creating sustainable habits to support an environmentally healthy school, city and world. This will be the first official partnership that ACPS has had that is led by a student group from T.C. Williams.

In alignment with the ACPS Strategic Plan and the guiding principles of the Office of School, Business and Community Partnerships, this partnership will support the Division to meet its goals and leverage community resources in support of specific Division priorities. We are excited to continue to collaborate with CURE to help reduce our carbon footprint and promote sustainable behaviors in as many ways as possible.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends the School Board review the attached ACPS Partnership Agreement.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: CURE Partnership Agreement

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