

Equity Policy Audit: School Board Committee Meeting

November 18, 2021





Welcome & Check-in

Enraged	Furious	Frustrated	Shocked	M	Surprised	Upbeat	Motivated	Ecstatic
Livid	Frightened	Nervous	Restless	0	Hyper	Cheerful	Inspired	Elated
Fuming	Apprehensive	Worried	Annoyed	0	Energized	Lively	Optimistic	Thrilled
Repulsed	Troubled	Uneasy	Peeved	D	Pleasant	Joyful	Proud	Blissful
M	0	0	D	M	E	${f T}$	B	R
Disgusted	Disappointed	Glum	Ashamed	B	Blessed	At Ease	Content	Fulfilled
Mortified	Alienated	Mopey	Apathetic	\mathbf{T}	Humble	Secure	Chill	Grateful
Embarrassed	Excluded	Timid	Drained	E	Calm	Satisfied	Relaxed	Carefree
Alone	Down	Bored	Tired	R	Relieved	Restful	Tranquil	Serene



















Our Equity Audit Team

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Dr. Michelle Rief – ACPS School Board Member

Christopher Suarez – ACPS School Board Member

Dr. Julie Crawford – Chief of Student Services & Equity

Kennetra Wood – Executive Director of Equity & Alternative Programs

Jennifer Abbruzzese – Director of Policy & Board Initiatives

Cheryl Robinson – Cultural Competency Coordinator

Lexus Whitfield & Toluwani Roberts – ACPS Equity Residents



Project Purpose



Review current School Board policies to:

- Ensure each policy aligns, guides, and supports educational equity and the Strategic Plan.
- Specifically identify root causes of disparities.
- Focus on the most marginalized populations to ensure equity for all.
- Uncover and revise policies that thwart the success of historically marginalized groups.
- Dismantle current systems that are barriers to student success.



School Board Committee

Responsibilities:

- School Board Chair periodically recommends three Board Members for appointment to serve during next rotation
- Performs in-depth policy review through an equity lens and attends monthly meetings
- Recommends revisions and presents to full Board for review/ approval





Committee Review Process

- Review policies
- Discuss & consider stakeholder feedback
 - o ACPS/IDRA Audit Team
 - o Focus groups
- Develop revisions
 - Additional rounds of discussion & feedback
- Refine proposals and advance to Full Board







Discipline & Conduct Policies

Policy JFC & Regulation JFC-R: Student Conduct

Policy JFCA: Teacher Removal of Students from Class

Policy JFCB: Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity

Policy JFCF/JFCI & Regulation JFCF-R/JFCI-R: Alcohol and Other Drugs in

Schools

Policy JFCH/GBEC: Tobacco-Free School for Staff and Students

Policy JFCE: Gang Activity or Association

Policy JFG: Search and Seizure

Policy JGD/JGE & Regulation JGD-R/JGE-R: Suspension & Expulsion

Policy JGDA & Policy JGDB: Disciplining Student with Disabilities





Themes and Highlights to Date

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Revision

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R/JFCI-R: Alcohol and Other Drugs in

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Policy JFC & Regulation JFC-R: Student

Conduct

ALL WRITE ROUND ROBIN

- 1.Each Policy 10 min.
- 2. Think time
- 3. Revisions in Google Doc
- 4. Switch and Repeat



Next Steps

December 15, 2021 Committee Meeting

- Finish current group of discipline and conduct policies (if needed)
- Begin review of next group of Tier I policies (student placement)









Questions?

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