

# Public Comments for School Board Meetings

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Written Public Comments

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Equity

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Overcrowding

Full Name \*

Kacia Kriener Putman

What is your relationship to ACPS? \*

Parent/Guardian of an ACPS Student

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Hello,

I am a parent of a fourth and first grader at Douglas MacArthur. My oldest also attended George Mason Elementary School. I have overall enjoyed the opportunities that my children have received at ACPS schools. The teachers are amazing, and my children look forward to going to school every day.

In my life in Alexandria, I have noted the extreme differences in opportunities between the elementary schools. I have no understanding of why different schools in the same town have vastly different experiences in their educational opportunities. In talking with teachers who have left ACPS, the inequities between the schools are listed as one of the top reasons they left the district. As a MacArthur parent, I want to see our friends, our neighbors, have the same opportunities my children.

I have learned that Douglas MacArthur can be moved to Cluster A so that it can take capacity transfers from Patrick Henry. It would also be helpful for Ramsay to be moved to cluster B from cluster A. Douglas MacArthur has empty classrooms in our beautiful, amazing new school building. Those classrooms could be filled with children having fun and learning the amazing things my children learn.

Thank you for keeping in mind the children of ACPS, and continuing the mission of equity in our city.

Kacia Kriener Putman

Parent of Douglas MacArthur students in First and Fourth  
Grades

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