

BOARD MEMO

Date: December 2, 2021
For ACTION _____
For INFORMATION X____
Board Agenda: Yes x____
No _____

FROM: Equity Policy Audit School Board Committee
Jennifer Abbruzzese, Director of Policy and Board Initiatives
Kennetra Wood, Executive Director of Equity and Alternative Programs

THROUGH: Dr. Julie A. Crawford, Chief of Student Services and Equity
Gregory C. Hutchings, Jr., Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

TO: The Honorable Meagan L. Alderton, Chair, and
Members of the Alexandria City School Board

TOPIC: Equity Audit Policy Revision Overview: Student Discipline and Conduct

ACPS 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

Goal 1: Systemic Alignment

FY 2022 BUDGET PRIORITY:

Implementation of Equity Audit of School Board Policies

SUMMARY:

The Equity Policy Audit School Board Committee has completed its initial review of ACPS student discipline and conduct policies, including staff and community feedback. The committee and its consultant partner, the Intercultural Development Research Association (IDRA), will provide an overview of the committee process and proposed revisions. The draft policy revisions will be discussed in detail at the December 8, 2021 Work Session.

BACKGROUND:

The Equity Policy Audit School Board Committee was created by the Board on October 7, 2021 to perform an in-depth policy review at monthly meetings. The committee works alongside the ACPS/IDRA equity policy audit team to incorporate its recommendations with those from staff and community focus groups. Committee recommendations are presented to the full Board for review and approval.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends the School Board review the Equity Policy Audit School Board Committee’s overview of draft revisions to the student discipline and conduct policies.

IMPACT:

The Equity Policy Audit School Board Committee incorporates guidance, support and feedback

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from the Board into the equity policy audit process.

ATTACHMENTS:

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REFERENCES:

[June 17, 2021 Board Presentation: Equity Policy Audit Update](#)

[April 9, 2021 Board Brief: Update- Equity Audit of School Board Policies](#)

[October 7, 2021 Formation of Equity Policy Audit School Board Committee](#)

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