## **BOARD MEMO**

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**THROUGH:** Gregory C. Hutchings, Jr., Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

- **TO:**The Honorable Cindy Anderson, Chair, and<br/>Members of the Alexandria City School Board
- TOPIC: SY 2021-2022 Program of Studies for Secondary Schools

### ACPS 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

Goal 2: Instructional Excellence

### SY 2020-2021 FOCUS AREA

Focus Area 3: Strategic Plan Implementation

### FY 2021 BUDGET PRIORITY

Academic Excellence and Educational Equity

### SUMMARY

February 4, 2021, marks the start of the enrollment process for secondary students for the 2021-2022 school year. Students and their families are provided with a Program of Studies, including information on graduation and school practices that support student learning. The Program of Studies also includes a comprehensive list of courses available to meet graduation requirements, provides opportunities to explore a wide range of disciplines, and meets diverse student needs and interests.

#### BACKGROUND

Each year a committee of administrators and guidance staff from each secondary school and the Department of Teaching, Learning, and Leadership, as well as the Communications staff, work to design and develop the proposed Program of Studies for the 2021-2022 school year. The committee members work with various school departments to solicit recommendations for course revisions, additions, and deletions that incorporate trends in student interest and demand.

Once the Program of Studies is approved, it will be published on the ACPS website.

## RECOMMENDATION

The Superintendent recommends that the School Board approve the proposed SY 2021-2022 Program of Studies.

## IMPACT

The adoption of the Program of Studies for SY 2021-2022 will affect Secondary programming in the options students have for classes.

# ATTACHMENT

1. SY 2021-2022 Program of Studies Final Draft

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