

Public Comments for Virtual School Board Meetings #269

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I have three children that attend ACPS schools and all three are back in their schools for "in-person" learning. The reason I chose for my children to return back to school is because virtual school has not been working for them. For my children to be engaged in learning and to flourish academically they need to be offered a diverse array of teaching methods and styles, including discussions with their teachers and classmates, reading (from books) and writing (on paper), basically off-line activities. I am disappointed to hear from my children that even though they are back in the classroom, they are still watching their teachers through their devices and completing work on-line. ACPS' strategic plan claims to "start where the student is" – well my children need to go back to school full-time with real in-person instruction. I understand the need for virtual school, but for your students who need different teaching methods to grow academically ACPS should offer what works for them – a teacher who is engaged with the children sitting right in front of them. It is unacceptable to continue only meeting a subset of student's needs.