Date: April 4, 2019 For ACTION \_\_\_\_\_ For INFORMATION <u>X</u> Board Agenda: Yes <u>X</u> No \_\_\_\_

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THROUGH:	Mignon R. Anthony, Chief Operating Officer Dr. Gregory C. Hutchings, Jr., Superintendent of Schools
TO:	The Honorable Cindy M. Anderson, Chair, and Members of the Alexandria City School Board
TOPIC:	Transportation Update

**BACKGROUND:** The Office of Pupil Transportation is in the process of developing the ACPS transportation program for the next school year. The office has been collecting informative data to help better improve safety, efficiency, and overall operation of ACPS transportation. On April 4, 2019, the Director of the Office of Pupil Transportation will be giving a presentation on possible improvements that may be beneficial in the future to the transportation office and operation.

**SUMMARY**: With steps being taken annually to ensure each year is an improvement upon the last, the department has assessed previous practices, especially those conducted last year, and come up with innovative ideas to keep improving upon such matters. Future improvements can be broken down into three categories:

- Modernizing the fleet;
- Modernizing the Transportation Center; and
- Improving communications between Transportation and families, and Transportation and schools.

In preparation for next school year, the Office of Pupil Transportation will be coming back to the School Board at the end of April 2019, to discuss necessary policy revisions and the outcomes of a comparative study between transportation service in ACPS and that of neighboring school divisions.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Superintendent recommends the School Board review the attachments and provide feedback.

ATTACHMENTS:	Attachment 1: Presentation Attachment 2: Transportation Information Past & Present
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