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Date: April 17, 2020

BOARD INFORMATION: X
MEETING PREPARATION:

FROM: Mignon R. Anthony, Chief operating Officer

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

TO: The Honorable Cindy Anderson, Chair, and

Members of the Alexandria City School Board

TOPIC: ACPS Temperature Screening Operation

ACPS 2020 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

Goal 2: Family and Community Engagement Goal 4: Facilities and the Learning Environment

Goal 5: Health and Wellness

Goal 6: Effective and Efficient Operations

SY 2019-2020 FOCUS AREA:

Focus Area 5: Strategic Plan

FY 2020 BUDGET PRIORITY:

Communications and Customer Service for External Stakeholders
Leadership and Professional Development
Safe Schools for Students and Faculty
Optimal and Equitable Learning Environments
Mental and Social/Emotional Health
Nutrition Programs
Communications and Customer Service for Internal Stakeholders

SUMMARY:

ACPS is committed to maintaining food distribution and continuing other critical ACPS work during the COVID-19 closure. In light of the need to support crisis-essential operations, protect ACPS assets and people and with updated guidance from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Alexandria Health Department (AHD), ACPS will establish and operate seven (7) temperature screening sites around the city. The screening site locations will be located at or near ACPS meal distribution sites and locations where significant maintenance, repair and construction activities are underway.

BACKGROUND:

The purpose of the screening is, through basic measures, to provide protective support to our workforce in helping to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We will do this by identifying individuals who may report to work with an elevated temperature (as advised by the AHD), which is one of the major indicators of the Coronavirus.

Therefore, beginning on April 27, 2020, every ACPS employee, volunteer, contractor and others who report to ACPS spaces must first undergo a simple temperature check prior to being allowed to enter

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any ACPS school or facility. Every individual who plans to work at an ACPS site or in an ACPS building must report each day for screening and be cleared.

The Temperature Screening plan is a collaborative effort between all of the Offices of the Operations Department (Maintenance/Custodial Services, Safety/Security Services, Transportation, School/Nutrition Services, Educational Facilities, Capital Programs/Design) and Student Services, Alternative Programs and Equity. City agencies have also been consulted for support. Major elements of the screening operations plan and process will address training for screeners and support teams, quality assurance, social distancing and personal protection equipment.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends that the School Board review the plan and associated attachments detailing the process and training materials.

IMPACT: Provides a formal process by which ACPS protects our workforce and others in ACPS spaces to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

ATTACHMENTS: 1. ACPS Temperature Screening Plan for COVID-19

2. Screening Script

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