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1	Abraham Lincoln	Because this president did a great job .		Alumni					Parent		
2	Alexandria Elementary	Because it's the city's school								Other	Faculty
3	B. Obama Elementary	It'd be nice to have a school named after such a great minority leader. Especially since he was the first African American president of the United States.		Alumni					Parent		
4	Barack and Michelle Obama Elementary	The Obamas have done so much for public schools and giving students who might not otherwise have opportunities countless ways to move up in the world. They continually demonstrate the values of inclusiveness, hard work, being kind and contributing to your community. Naming a new school after them is a great way to thank them for their service and show that ACPS holds the same values dear.							Parent		

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5	Barack Obama (President Barack Obama Elementary)	I choose this name. Do to all the 44th President done and he never went back on his word .President Obama gave us hope for our Kids to live out their dreams no matter what it "YES WE CAN DO IT" . He is the first African American to have served as president.		Alumni			Community				
6	Barack Obama	He was the first African American to up hold the highest office				Staff					

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7	Barack Obama	<p>President Barack Obama’s once said “ We have an obligation and a responsibility to be investing in our students and our schools. We must make sure that people who have the grades, the desire and the will, but not the money, can still get the best education possible”. To me that is what ACPS has done for my siblings, myself, and for many children. I grew up here, I teach here and I live here. I would like to see a school that carries a name that represents a president that they know, recognize, understand and cherish. Barack Obama gave hope to many who didn’t have any and ACPS continues to give hope to not only their students, but to the families in the community.</p>							Parent		

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8	Barack Obama	We have school's named after other U.S presidents, yet none have been the positive symbol of progress, change and possibility for the students we serve as President Obama. In this current climate of fear and growing anxiety among many in our community, a strong moral character such as the first black president, Barack Obama, who sought advancement of all, would be a positive image for students who reside in communities where streets are named after segregationist and slave owners.							Parent		
9	Barack Obama Elementary	Timely. A good contrast to GW and John Adams.							Parent		
10	BARACK OBAMA ELEMENTARY	I think it's obvious!		Alumni			Community		Parent		
11	Barack Obama Elementary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • he is a two-term President. • he continues to support the country with initiatives & leadership • he has made an impact on history 							Parent		

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12	Barack Obama Elementary	President Obama was and still is an excellent role model and a beacon of inspiration and hope for students in the City of Alexandria, particularly students of color. For the first time in their lives, students of color saw a President of color, and began to realize that they too could achieve one of the highest roles in our country. ALL students saw President Obama as THEIR president, regardless of the color of their skin, and still talk about what an amazing person and role model he is.		Alumni			Community				
13	Barack Obama Elementary	He was our first African American president. He is bi-racial and we have a diverse population that would be going to the new school. We have children from different countries that will be going to this school. His mother was an American and his father was from Kenya. He was a good role model as our president. It will inspire children that they can be anything they want to be. Just as Barack Obama became our 44th president.							Parent		
14	Barack Obama Elementary School	He made a huge impact on the country					Community		Parent		

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15	Barack Obama Elementary School	Self explanatory?			Student			Business Owner	Parent		
16	Barack Obama Elementary School	Barack Obama, our 44th and first African American president of the United States. President Obama is a person of dignity, class and representation for all people. Not only was he a great president, he has fought for the less fortunate as community organizer and civil rights attorney. He stands for all that is good and continues to fight for what is right. ACPS could do no wrong by naming the new West End school after the "people's champion, Barack Obama! Thank you for the opportunity to nominate President Obama!					Community		Parent		
17	Barack Obama Elementary School	In recognition of all he did for our country, and continues to do. If not for this school, then I would vote to change the name of TC Williams to the Barack Obama High School instead. Thanks! mm							Parent		

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18	Barack Obama Elementary School	Former President Barack Obama made significant history by becoming the first African-American elected as President of the United States. Although there are a few schools already named after former presidents, none of them are named after a president from recent times and one that so many students can relate to and aspire to become.							Parent		
19	Barack Obama Elementary School	President Obama was a singular and unique President. His story is inspiring to all children and he conducted himself with dignity.					Community				
20	Barack Obama Elementary School								Parent		
21	Barack Obama Elementary School	He was a great president.			Student						

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22	Barack Obama Elementary School					Staff	Community		Parent		
23	Barack Obama Elementary School	To celebrate and honor the first African American President of this Nation. I believe his achievements will inspire all of Alexandria's Children.							Parent		
24	Barack Obama's				Student						
25	Barak Obama Elementary School	Great President					Community		Parent		
26	Barak Obama Elementary School	I believe it would inspire the students and community and be a tribute to a great American leader.					Community			Other	Civic supporter , tax payer and local Parishioner
27	Barrack Obama	To recognize the great achievements of the former President. In addition, his name will serve as a direct inspiration to the children that attend, as well as for the school system as a whole. With the potential political pressure that will ensue with the naming of the school, this will ensure that this West End School receives the needed attention and resources that it needs and deserves.							Parent		

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28	Beacon Elementary School	The New West End School is located on one of the highest points in the city and is this building will be the tallest school in the city... Also on the new front elevation of the building it has an extra story above the elevator shaft area with windows looking back toward Old Town (like a lighthouse/lookout)... In Alexandria education is valued as the most important thing provided by our community... The definition of a Beacon: a light or other visible object serving as a signal, warning, or guide... Education is important to Alexandria the this school will guide our future generations.					Community			Other	retired ACPS School Nurse and former Parent of ACPS
29	Beauregard Elementary School	The school is located off of that street and it just seems to be a fit for the community. Other names to consider: Barbara Johns Elementary School (Mrs. Johns was apart of the Civil Rights Movement by fighting for a integrated school system, and not just equal facilities. All Nations Elementary School to celebrate our diversity in our community.							Parent		

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30	Beauregard Preparatory School	The school is located on this street.					Community	Business Owner	Parent	Other	Press and Volunteer
31	Beauregard Street School	Please stop naming schools after people. It only causes controversy and it doesn't help people actually FIND the school! Name the schools after the streets they are on! For example, MacArthur would be Janney's Lane School, TC Williams would just be Alexandria City High School, Minnie Howard would be Braddock Road Jr High, etc.				Staff					
32	Bill Euille (William D. Euille Elementary)	Because Mr. Euille made many contributions to this community. He has always known education was important.					Community				
33	Bill Euille Elementary	He was our first African American mayor. He did a fine job. He does a lot for our community. He has been a big supporter of our schools. He was at most of my son's sports games.				Staff					
34	Boone Elementary School	I like this name because of Herman Boone from Remember the Titans because I love this movie so much. My mom went to TC Williams and I am going to TC Williams too.				Staff	Community				

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35	Crawley Elementary	Because Dr. Alvin Crawley , our former Superintendent suggested this building for a new school so we should honor him with it and remember him.		ACPS Alu			Community		Parent		
36	Dave Grohl Elementary School	Dave Grohl is a very influential person in today's society known from his 2 very famous bans Nirvana and the Foo Fighters. Dave Grohl lived in Alexandria VA, and his band the Foo Fighters even recorded their 3rd album in the basement of his house right here in Alexandria VA. I feel we should honor the rock legend and name this school after him to show the many young children that live here to not let their dreams be dreams. Dave Grohl will inspire these children to follow their dreams and to show that Alexandria VA is a place where they can accomplish their ambitions.	There is no other person from Alexandria that can top Dave Grohl's accomplishments besides Francis Hammond, but we already named a school after him so why should we not name a school after Dave Grohl. Rock on! JD Hunt, born and reared in Alexandria VA, current student in ACPS public schools.	Alumni			Community				
37	Do not name after a person	Sorry I am not creative enough to come up with a solid, inspirational name. Just want to suggest that we avoid naming the school after a person. Thank you.							Parent		
38	Douglas Wild Elementary	To honor Virginia's first black governor		Alumni			Community		Parent		

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39	Edmonson Elementary School	Mary Edmonson (1832–1853) and Emily Edmonson (1835–1895) were important figures in the effort to abolish slavery in the United States and had strong connections to Alexandria. There is already strong precedent for naming West End Elementary School in honor of the sisters. In 2010, the city named a park on Duke Street as Edmonson Plaza after the two sisters. Also in 2010, a 10-foot-tall bronze sculpture of the two sisters by the sculptor Erik Blome was installed at this park.							Parent		
40	Edmonson Elementary School	Edmonson sisters, How they had to find their freedom and being so young and brave they were at the time. They also lived not too far from the school as Alexandrians.					Community		Parent		

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41	Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School	She fought for New Deal proposals, civil rights, and the rights of women. She believed education and equal opportunities should be guaranteed for all. After her husband died, Eleanor Roosevelt was on the board of directors for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). She was a leader in the formation of the United Nations at the end of World War II. She helped draft the "Universal Declaration of Human Rights" and was the first chairman of the UN Human Rights Commission.							Parent	Other	ACPS Substitute Teacher
42	Ferdinand Day	Mr. Day was an icon in my life time. He was always active in the community, served on the School Board as its first African American Chair and member. Mr. Day was an advocate for education especially as it related to our poor minority and disadvantaged children. Even in his late 90's he was still out speaking to our children and working with our RARE program as a concerned citizen of Alexandria. He was a hero to our city.							Parent	Other	ACPS Substitute Teacher

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43	Ferdinand Day	There's no one more deserving of this honor & future generations should know & celebrate him as we do Samuel Tucker.		Alumni			Community			Other	Retired ACPS teacher
44	Ferdinand Day Elementary School	Ferdinand Day was the first African American School Board chair in the state of Virginia. He was a driving force in integrating Alexandria schools during the late 1950s and early 1960s. Mr. Day was instrumental in coining the phrase "Every Student Counts" which is part of the school culture in Alexandria City Schools. I think a school honoring such a trailblazer would be wonderful.		Alumni			Community		Parent		

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45	Ferdinand Day Elementary School	Ferdinand Day was the first African-American man ever to serve as chairman of a Virginia school board. He was an Alexandria legend and a driving force in integrating Alexandria City Public Schools during the late 1950's. How appropriate that the school is named after an individual- Mr. Day who believed in education for all and who served as a life-long resident of Alexandria, a mentor and volunteer to many and a champion for every single child in the City of Alexandria. His kind, compassionate and warm spirit is what made him a great individual.				Staff					
46	Ferdinand T. Day	Mr. Day is a native of the city Alexandria, VA. He had many contributions to the city, education in the schools and civil rights. He was a drum major for the African Americans in Alexandria.				Staff			Parent		

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47	Ferdinand T. Day	<p>Ferdinand T. Day was my father. He was dedicated to equal education for all children in the city. He loved Alexandria with a passion and spent his life working on projects and programs designed to improve the city of his birth. I really think dad considered his work with the schools to be his special calling. He knew what it meant to have to leave his beloved hometown to further his education. He worked hard to ensure that all of Alexandria's children could find the education they needed right here in the city. Once before he passed, someone mentioned the prospect of a school being named for him and he said " That would be the ultimate honor". Indeed, it would be such an honor!!</p>				Staff					

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48	Ferdinand T. Day Elementary School	Mr. Day was the go to man in Alexandria when it came to the education of our students. He advocated for the least of our, minority, poor & disadvantaged children. He worked tirelessly with the Concerned Citizens Network of Alexandria (CCNA) to help reduce the troubling dropout rate, close the achievement gap & to increase high school graduation with a standard diploma. He served on our Advisory Panel & finally as its honorary member. His call to the community was "Help us make every child a winner..." Ferdinand Day should be honored in this way for all that he has done for our State, our Community. It is only fitting that the children should know this man. There is a street named for him in Cameron Station near the Samuel W. Tucker Elementary School. Recognition is also acknowledged in the TC Williams High School. (contd.)	(contd.) I am the CCNA Founder and Executive Director. Our program is "Reach and Rise for Excellence" (RARE) operated at the Francis C. Hammond Middle School, Mon-Thurs from 3:15 pm to 5:15 pm. (end) (Affiliation: Concerned Citizens of Alexandria (CCNA) 4950 Brenman Park Drive, #110 Alexandria, VA 22304 www.ccnalexandria.org)	Alumni			Community				

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49	Ferdinand Day School	Mr. Day was a hero is our community and was the first African-American man ever to serve as chairman of a Virginia school board. Day was a driving force in integrating Alexandria schools during the late 1950s and early 1960s, with the process finishing in 1971. Back in 1964, the Alexandria native was appointed the first African-American to Alexandria's school board. He would help lead the board and the city to an integrated school system by 1971, reconciling Alexandria's segregated past.							Parent		

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50	Fitzhugh Lee	Between 1886 and 1895, black companies were called up five times, including in 1887, when Governor Fitzhugh Lee became the only southern governor to activate an all-black militia unit to help suppress a violent longshoremen's strike. During the Spanish-American War (1898), Virginia raised the all-black 6th Virginia Volunteers and contributed about a third of the men of the all-black 10th U.S. Volunteers. I believe his name is historical as he is deemed "The Overlooked Lee" as well as it goes along with the other schools who are named after historical figures. What he did bridged the gaps for other races back in those times.							Parent	Other	Neighbor/resident in the West End, Alexandria

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51	George L. Seaton Elementary	He was a highly respected African American carpenter who built the Snowden School for boys upon being commissioned by the Freedmen Bureau in 1867. It was initially known as the "Seaton School", and the schoolhouse was commonly referred to as the "Seaton Building", in addition to being named after a white educator in Alexandria (Snowden). Seaton built another school, for girls, the Hallowell School, named after Benjamin Hallowell, a prominent Virginia educator who had also founded a private school for wealthy families in 1825. The Snowden and Hallowell Schools were the first black public schools in the City of Alexandria.							Parent		

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52	Harriet Jacobs	Harriet Jacobs is an example of extreme bravery, resilience, and compassion with a lifelong focus on improving the lives of others around her. These are all values we want our children to learn and embody during their earliest memories at school both in their classroom learning and on the playground. Harriet Jacobs is the perfect role model and did much of her most impactful work here in Alexandria among refugees from the South who escaped to our city of Alexandria during and after of the Civil War. She also wrote "Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girls" in a memoir that continued to live on even after her death, attempting to persuade white fellow citizens (particularly white women) of the humanity of black women and mothers. (contd.)	(contd.) Both children and adults in our community would do well to continue learning from her example of empathy, compassion, intellectual rigor, and sense of justice now the 21st century.						Parent		
53	Jack Taylor Elementary School	Jack has been a HUGE donor to the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria for years. I'd guess he's sent hundreds of ACPS students off to college with a sizable scholarship. He is kind and charitable and LOVES Alexandria.							Parent		

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54	Jen Walker	http://alexandrialegends.org/jen-walker/					Community		Parent		
55	John Porter	John has been an amazing contributor to Alexandria schools and Alexandria City for a very long time. He is an upstanding citizen and his name is not controversial.							Parent		
56	John Porter	Mr. Porter is a long time educator and leader in our community.					Community		Parent		

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57	John Porter Academy	<p>John Porter represents the best in leadership in our school division...As a teacher, then principal, John always held high standards for himself, his staff and his students. He was, however, not without mercy and compassion. It was a pleasure and an honor to be on Mr. Porter's staff. John was constantly in motion, walking the halls of T.C. Williams, greeting students and staff alike. He was aware of the climate of his building and offered praise, support and even constructive criticism when required. His interest and commitment to students and staff was clearly evident. This new schoolhouse, named for John Porter would is some little way remind him of our thanks for his personal and educational leadership.</p>				Staff					

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58	John Porter Elementary	Mr. Porter was a force in ACPS education for decades. Every high school student in the city for more than 25 years experienced his leadership at TC. He has continued his dedication to the city in ACT for Alexandria. I can think of no Alexandrian who is as deserving of this honor.				Staff					
59	John Porter Elementary	John Porter is a former ACPS employee (teacher, principal, central office employee) with the greatest reputation of anyone I have met in Alexandria.							Parent		
60	John Porter Elementary	John Porter served the ACPS community for decades, and continued to support the community after his retirement, through his work with ACT. While he is a Living Legend of Alexandria, naming the school for him would be a long-lasting and worthy acknowledgement of his work.							Parent		
61	John Porter Elementary			Alumni			Community		Parent		

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62	John Porter Elementary School	John Porter is an alumni of the Alexandria Public School System having attended Maury Elementary School, was a Social Studies teacher at Parker-Gray Elementary, an Assistant Principal at Francis C. Hammond Middle School, and a beloved Principal of William Ramsay Elementary School and John Adams Elementary, and then an Associate Principal and Principal of TC Williams High School for 22 years. He has had an immense impact on hundreds of students, parents, and teachers who have had the opportunity of crossing his path. He made every student feel special by addressing them by their name when he would see them in the hall or writing them a note of encouragement with regards to their grades. He wished every student success in school and in the pursuit of their life long goals. (contd.)	(contd.) Even after retiring from ACPS, he has continued to serve the school and community through his work with ACT of Alexandria and has been honored as a Living Legend of Alexandria. John Porter has dedicated his life to the Alexandria School System and by naming the new West End School after him would be recognizing a truly remarkable educator and human being.							Other	Resident
63	John Porter Elementary School	John Porter helped mold a generation (or more) of ACPS students. He then continued to contribute to the community with his work with ACT.		Alumni			Community	Business Owner	Parent		

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64	John Tyler	It was once the name of a elementary school ACPS. The school was brand new and it didn't last long in school system.		Alumni			Community	Business Owner	Parent		
65	John Tyler Elementary School								Parent		
66	John Warner	Born Washington DC US Navy WW11 Washington and Lee 1949 University of Virginia Law School 1953 Secretary of Navy 1972-1974Virginia US Senator 1979-2009 Moderate; advocate of gun control Resident of Virginia for 30 years; Resident of Alexandria							Parent		
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68	Katherine Johnson	She did the math to put a man into space !				Staff	Community				

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69	Katherine Johnson Elementary	Katherine Johnson was a pioneer at NASA, a renowned mathematician and is a woman of color. It would be wonderful if ACPS honored her this way. Hopefully it would inspire all students, but especially girls and students of color, to explore an interest in math and science. In addition, Ms. Johnson won a presidential medal and is still a citizen of Virginia.					Community				

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70	Katherine Johnson Elementary School	I think it is appropriate to recommend a woman who made a huge difference in our history, but also a famous Virginian who helped to make gains in math & science. Katherine Johnson was of NASA's "human computers," Johnson says she grew up counting everything. That love for counting quickly turned into serious math skills as Johnson breezed her way through math classes. At just 18 she graduated with degrees in mathematics and French from West Virginia State College (now University). In 1952, Johnson started working for the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics (NACA) and impressed her supervisors with both her talent and her inquisitiveness. In 1958, NACA was folded into NASA, & Johnson was part of the team charged with calculating the way to send a human to space and back. Her work was (contd.)	(contd.)instrumental in sending the first American into space in 1961. NASA counted on her calculations to send John Glenn into orbit in 1962 & Apollo 11 to the moon in 1969. In 2015, President Barack Obama presented her with the National Medal of Freedom. In 2016, NASA opened the \$30 million Katherine G. Johnson Computational Research Facility. And there is Hidden Figures, the blockbuster 2016 film based partly on Johnson's life.						Parent		Commissioner, Alexandria Commission for Women; Chair, The Fund for Alexandria's Child Advisory Council; (contd.)

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71	Kris Clark Elementary School	Kris Clark worked diligently for ACPS as an educator. I meet her when she was a KG teacher at the then Cora Kelly Magnet School. Since that time she has served as a Lead Teacher and Principle at the Elementary and Middle School levels. She met challenges head on and worked to reach out and and turn difficult situations into positive outcomes. She represents a bridge to all cultures, with respect, presenting an example of American Principles at it's best. Her positive attitude is reflected in the success of all the students fortunate enough to have had her work for them at all levels. I have never known a person more respected by Students, Staff and Parents in the City of Alexandria Public Schools.		Alumni			Community		Parent	Other	
72	Liberty Elementary School	I choose this name because many of the students are immigrants and liberty is what brings many of their families here. It is a cherished American value and resonates with us all.							Parent		

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73	Maggie L Walker	She was from Richmond, VA. She is taught during first grade Social Studies in the district. She's a strong female African American public figure who was a businesswoman and a teacher.							Parent		
74	Maggie L. Walker	She was a prominent Virginian and the first women to become president of local bank.					Community				
75	Maggie L. Walker Elementary School	I chose this name because I feel that this school should be named after a strong woman and a positive role model.		Alumni		Staff			Parent		
76	Malcolm X	Because of the significant role Malcolm X played in the fight for civil rights, as well as how he transformed his life from a convict to an activist					Community		Parent		
77	Melvin Miller	Honor Melvin for all he did to make Alexandria a great city and improve Alexandria schools					Community		Parent		
78	Michelle Obama	Her dedication to improving the lives of children, especially those in need, and her positive energy and belief that everyone can succeed. I think she's a great example of hope for the kids and parents and is representative of what ACPS strives to achieve with our unique student population.		Alumni			Community				

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79	Michelle Obama Elementary School	Former U.S. First Lady Michelle Obama has had a long career in education, health-care, and the law. As First Lady, she worked on behalf of military families and working parents, and, most notably, spearheaded initiatives for children's health. As an African American woman in a highly public position, Obama has been a much-needed role model for our students. Naming the new school in her honor would help address the underrepresentation of women and minorities in the names of Alexandria schools.		Alumni			Community				
80	Michelle Obama Elementary School	As First Lady, Mrs. Obama worked tirelessly to improve the lives of school children.				Staff					
81	Neil deGrasse Tyson	To celebrate an African American who, as an astrophysicist, represents excellence in science, which all of our students should aspire to.				Staff					

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82	New Hope Elementary	I choose the name New Hope in honor of the spirit of President Obama. "Hope is not blind optimism. It's not ignoring the enormity of the task ahead or the roadblocks that stand in our path. It's not sitting on the sidelines or shirking from a fight. Hope is that thing inside us that insists, despite all evidence to the contrary, that something better awaits us if we have the courage to reach for it, and to work for it, and to fight for it. Hope is the belief that destiny will not be written for us, but by us, by the men and women who are not content to settle for the world as it is, who have the courage to remake the world as it should be." --Barack Obama,		Alumni		Staff	Community				Retired worker at Swift Transportation C
83	Nikki Giovanni Elementary School	Nikki Giovanni was a poet who was a college professor at Virginia Tech, Nikki Giovanni was an activist for civil rights in her college years. Her interest in justice and equality is reflected in her poetry. She's taught poetry as a visiting professor at many colleges and has encouraged writing in others.								Other	

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84	P.S. #1 - W. E. or Public School #1 - West End or PS-W #1	In order to save an enormous amount of time discussing names of people, businesses, or places, etc., let's just go for the obvious. The above suggestions are variations of the same idea. Also, future discussions of whether the person or company is still worthy (in 2050 or whatever) would be eliminated. ACPS spends too much time in meetings. Future schools could be Public School - East #2, etc.					Community				
85	Patricia Ticer	Patsy was our first female mayor and state senator representing Alexandria. Her final days were spent on Beauregard at her senior residence. It seems a fitting honor to her memory as a community leader and mother with ACPS alumni children of her own.				Staff			Parent		
86	Patsy Ticer	She was a strong female role model from the city.		Alumni		Staff			Parent		

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87	Patsy Ticer	<p>Patsy Ticer served as mayor of Alexandria and represented us in the Virginia Senate in Richmond. A native Alexandrian, she died in August after more tha 80 years in the city she loved. She was a graduate of George Washing High School and returned to Alexandria after college to raise her family here. Her children all attended ACPS, as do her grandchildren. She was an active parishioner of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Old Town and a strong supporter of the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria, which gives scholarships to TC Williams students for higher education. It is time for ACPS to honor a native daughter by naming a school for her.</p>				Staff					

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88	Patsy Ticer Elementary	I strongly advocate that ACPS honor a strong female leader when naming the next elementary. Patsy Ticer, Alexandria's first female mayor, was a tireless advocate of education and early childhood development. Honoring her legacy would send a signal to the entire community as well as the children learning and growing in the new school.				Staff			Parent		
89	Patsy Ticer Elementary School	Patsy Ticer was Alexandria's first elected female mayor and a four-term Virginia state senator. She was a tireless advocate for education, affordable housing, and the environment until her death in August 2017.				Staff			Parent		
90	Patsy Ticer Elementary School	A great way to honor a local historical figure who contributed a lot to Alexandria City. Also would be nice to have more schools named after women as most of our schools still typically honor men.							Parent		

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91	Patsy Ticer Elementary School	The Honorable Patsy Ticer was a trailblazer in Alexandria, and in Virginia, as first woman mayor, who later became a representative in our General Assembly. She was known for her volunteerism and community outreach in Alexandria, and was on the ground floor of many important main-stays in our city - especially when it came to the well-being of women and children. In the year of her death, it is notable that there is nothing in our city that calls attention to or recognizes her hard-fought efforts, and this important Alexandria woman should receive recognition for all she had accomplished for her Alexandria, and Virginia, citizenry.	(contd.) Committee Member, Scholarship Fund of Alexandria; Board Member, Senior Services of Alexandria						Parent		
92	Patsy Ticer Elementary School	Because Sen. Ticer was one of Alexandria's gems and is incredibly inspiring to all.					Community		Parent		

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93	Patsy Ticer ES	Ticer was born in Washington, D.C. She grew up in Alexandria, Virginia and graduated from George Washington High School. Ticer served on the Alexandria City Council in the 1980s. She then served as the first female Mayor of Alexandria from 1991 to 1996. Ticer served in the Senate of Virginia from 1996 to 2011. Ticer died in a hospital in Alexandria, Virginia from complications from a fall this year				Staff					
94	Rayburn Elementary School	It's on Rayburn and Beauregard.					Community				
95	Richmond elementary school	Richmond Virginia				Staff					

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96	Sarah A. Gray Elementary	Sarah Gray (1847-1893) was an educator from Alexandria. During the Civil War she co-founded a school to address the needs children of former slaves in our city. She was a teacher and principal at Alexandria's first public school for black girls. Naming the school for her would be in keeping with the rest of the city's elementary schools being named for prominent figures in American history, especially Virginians, and would finally include a woman. And she would certainly be a worthy namesake.		Alumni			Community				Alexandria City Commissioner
97	Sarah Brady	Grew up in Alexandria and attended Hammond High School Graduated from William and Mary College in 1964 Public school teacher in Alexandria Served as U.S. Congressional Aid from 1968-1969 Chairperson for Handgun Control Commission 2000-2015					Community			Other	

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98	Sarah Brady	<p>She is a national figure that brought hand gun control through federal legislation as well as continual publicity. She grew up in Alexandria, attended George Mason Elementary School, Jefferson Junior High and Hammond High School. She received a teaching degree from the College of William and Mary and taught elementary school at the former Ficklin Elementary School for 3 years in Alexandria. Later she worked in the Congress of the U.S. for 10 years before her husband was named Press Secretary for President Reagan. She was a woman of great intelligence, perseverance, personal courage, and exhibited concern for children and extraordinary leadership.</p>			Student						

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99	Sonia Sotomayor Elementary	As the first Latina supreme court justice in the United States, Sonia Sotomayor is an inspiring role model for students in ACPS, in particular our large Latinx population. From humble beginnings in the Bronx, NY, she rose to become a beacon of hope and inspiration for all students, in particular our multicultural students and students of color. With two Spanish-English dual language schools and a large Latinx and Hispanic population, Sonia Sotomayor Elementary would acknowledge ACPS' commitment to diversity and our pride in our city's Latinx and Hispanic populations.					Community				
100	Susan B. Anthony	We should have one school named for a famous suffragette who fought for equal rights for all women in this country.					Community				
101	Taney Elementary	Because it is short, people know where the street is and it is located on that street					Community		Parent		

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102	The Hope School	What better name for a school than Hope? I just read in the Alexandria Times that Alexandria's first African American vice mayor and a World War II veteran, Lionel Hope, recently passed. It sounds as though he was an incredibly kind and compassionate person, a strong leader and a trailblazer. What an inspirational person who actively was involved with the City and its residents!		Alumni							
103	The Living Legends Elementary School	It will give students an incentive to ascribe to become future Living Legends of Alexandria	Living Legends of Alexandria info@alexandrialegends.com 571 483 8521 Nina Tisara Founder Peter Baldwin Vice President 703 200-0362 pbaldwin@marketforcestrategies.com				Community				
104	Thomas "Petey" Jones								Parent		

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105	Trump Academy	I chose this name because he is the current President, and I bet I am the only one who suggests it. I do appreciate how President Trump's children were raised in an environment with a strong emphasis in academics and hard work. Achieving success through hard work and a commitment to strong academics will advance you out of poverty, and/or promote you to your goals in life. I believe this would be a significant message to all children of Alexandria.		Alumni			Community	Business Owner			Founder and Executive Director, Concerned Citizens Network of Alexandria (CCNA)
106	Trump (Donald J. Trump Elementary School)						Community		Parent		
107	West End	With all the controversy surrounding names and having to change names later, it would be in the best interest of ACPS to remain neutral. I believe West End is a perfect name.		Alumni			Community			Other	

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108	West End Elementary	As a West End resident, this name for our newest school will bring much needed attention to this part of Alexandria, which many feel is under-recognized. Rather than choosing a name of a singular person or event, the school will have a name about a region of Alexandria. It will help to create a buzz about the "West End" with all the diversity & potential of our area. Nestled in the crossroads of Arlington, Falls Church, Fairfax, & Alexandria, developing a "West End" neighborhood will help to create a destination within Alexandria, just as "Old Town" does for our waterfront area. Residents & neighboring communities will know where the "west end" exists within the city limits. This will help to boost development & improvement to our existing infrastructure with revitalized retail, office space, housing, etc., which is (contd.)	(contd.) already taking place along Beaugard & N. Van Dorn St. This will be followed by future development of a new Landmark Center, & the Harris Teeter plaza at the intersection of Beaugard, King St., and Walter Reed. By naming our newest school the West End Elementary, Alexandria will create yet another exciting neighborhood within our already amazing city, and further help to promote itself as a destination region-wide.						Parent		
109	West End Elementary	Straight-forward, descriptive and then the initials could be WEE (like whee!!).		Alumni							

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110	WEST END ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	I believe that the days of naming schools after people should be stopped. We have seen how the people honored by naming a building, road etc., has become a source of conflict in our society today. I would recommend naming future schools after the geographic area served.							Parent		Chair, Alexandria Commission on Employment Chair, Alexandria Regional Council of United Way
111	West End Elementary School	1. It is easy. 2. It represents where it is located. 3. It does not have a name that may need to be changed as society does (e.g., JEB Stewart). 4. It is a totally natural name! Honestly. Keeping it easy.					Community	Business Owner		Other	
112	West End Elementary School	The name is simple and straightforward. We live in an age when any person's name will leave someone feeling excluded. Why bother?		Alumni							
113	West End Elementary School	Keep it just as it is! Simple, geographically correct, and above all, non-partisan and non-controversial.					Community				

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114	Winkler Elementary School	I chose this name because the school location is near the Winkler Preserve and I like the idea of naming a school after a something that is associated with improving the environment.					Community				

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115	Winkler (Catherine Winkler)	Catherine Winkler was a social worker by trade who with her husband, Mark, created a real estate empire in the West End of the City. The Winklers created the Foundation which bears their name and for years Mrs. Winkler oversaw the yearly donations made to Alexandria nonprofits. For twenty years she was the single most generous donor in Northern Virginia through her annual donation to the United Way. The only stipulation was that the bulk of the gift was to fund agencies that strengthened families, created a healthy environment for youth, and prepared Alexandria's children for school. She always expected follow up information on the progress made and the goals reached. She was a kind, loving woman who was knowledgeable, perspicacious, and generous. I can think of no better name for the new West End school.					Community Member		Parent		

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116	Winkler Elementary School	I think most of the land where this building resides was originally part of the Winkler preservation area (many years ago). The name Winkler denotes a location which many residents can quickly relate. The name Winkler is synonymous with the woods, streams and ponds in the area. It relates to beauty and joy. If my memory serves me the Winkler family was trying to preserve the open space in the area around and including the proposed new school building. This link provides a bit of history of the area. https://www.alexandriava.gov/uploadedFiles/historic/info/archaeology/SiteReportAdams1991MarkCenterWinklerBotanical.pdf In addition the name is simple and easy to remember.	https://www.alexandriava.gov/uploadedFiles/historic/info/archaeology/SiteReportAdams1991MarkCenterWinklerBotanical.pdf				Community		Parent		
117	Winkler Herman Elementary	Named after Catherine Winkler Herman. I believe this article will explain itself. http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/06/13/AR2007061302314.html					Community				

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118	Yvonne B. Miller	She was a significant Virginian who became the first African American woman elected to the state legislature. And focused on education for all.		Alumni			Community	Business Owner	Parent		