Date: December 14, 2012

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Board Agenda: Yes X

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TO: The Honorable Sheryl Gorsuch, Chair, and Members of the Alexandria City School

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TOPIC: Updated ACPS Division Priorities for School Year 2012-16

BACKGROUND: On February 2, 2012, the School Board approved the Seven Division Priorities for School Year 2011-12.

The attached revised document "Proposed Key Measures for ACPS Division Priorities for School Years 2012-16" includes the following changes to the measures and targets:

- ACPS Achievement Gap: The newly created "ACPS Achievement Gap" column compares
 our achievement for a given measure to our highest performing subgroup. This sets a more
 aspirational goal for eliminating ACPS's achievement gap than comparing ourselves to
 Virginia State's "all students" category.
- ACPS Targets SY 15-16: The ACPS long-range targets are based on the highestperforming subgroup in SY 11-12. There are no achievement gaps for disproportionality measures since these inherently already address a gap. As comparison, the results for Virginia State's "all students" is included in parentheses.
- Changes to Shading: Any SY 11-12 results that fall within 1-2 percentage points above or below the previous year are shaded as "constant."

RECOMMENDATION: We recommend that the School Board adopt the new measures and targets for the ACPS Division Priorities for School Year 2012-16.

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