BOARD BRIEF

Date: March 13, 2020
For INFORMATION: _X__
Upcoming Board Agenda:
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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: Changes to Regulation EBCD-R: Emergency School Closures, Delayed Opening

and Early Dismissal Regulations

ACPS 2020 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

Goal 3: An Exemplary Staff

Goal 4: Facilities and the Learning Environment

Goal 5: Health and Wellness

Goal 6: Effective and Efficient Operations

SUMMARY:

Regulation EBCD-R, last revised by the Board in June 2018, requires revision to address employee work schedules during a public health emergency. Although Regulation EBCD-R currently addresses closures due to inclement weather, building systems failures, and/or a loss of resources, it does not currently address closures do to public health emergencies.

Revisions addressing telework and which employees are considered "essential personnel" are addressed on pages 7-8 of the attached regulation.

BACKGROUND:

The Code of Virginia § 22.1-253.13:7 and Policy BF require the School Board to maintain and follow up-to-date policies, and that all policies be reviewed at least every five years and revised as needed. Regulations to implement the policies are developed by or through the Superintendent.

IMPACT:

By reviewing policies and regulations periodically and as needed, the School Board ensures that ACPS operations are aligned to support excellence and high performance.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends the School Board review the proposed changes to Regulation EBCD-R, which become effective immediately.

ATTACHMENTS:

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Revisions to Regulation EBCD-R

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