TRANSFERS BY STUDENT VICTIMS OF CRIME

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10 11 Whenever any student who has been the victim of any crime against the person pursuant to Chapter 4 of <u>Title 18.2 of the Code of Virginia</u>, including crimes by mobs, crimes by gangs, terrorism offenses, kidnapping and related offenses, assaults and bodily wounding, robbery, extortion, or other threats including bullying, or sexual assault, and such crime was committed

• by another student attending classes in the school, or

- by any employee of the School Board, or
- by any volunteer, contract worker or other person who regularly performs services in the school, or
- if the crime was committed upon the school property or on any school bus owned or operated by the school division,

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the student upon whom the crime was committed shall, upon written request from the student's parents/guardians, or the student, if such student is an emancipated minor, be permitted to transfer to another comparable school within the division if available. Any transportation services for such students shall be provided in accordance with School Board policies.

For purposes of this policy, "victim" means any student who has been the victim of a crime against the person pursuant to Chapter 4 (section 18.2-30 et seq.) of Title 18.2 of the Code of Virginia, and who has suffered physical, psychological, or economic harm as a direct result of the commission of such crime. "Victim" shall also be understood to include a student who has been the subject of bullying, including cyber-bullying.

For the purposes of this policy, "comparable school" means a school which provides a similar instructional program to the victim's attendance school.

Other types of transfers, including Programmatic Transfers and Administrative Transfers, are described in Policy JC/JCD Student Placement.

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32 Legal Refs: Code of Virginia, §§22.1-3, 22.1-3.3

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Cross Refs: JC/JCD Student Attendance AreasStudent Placement

JCB Transfers by Students in Persistently Dangerous Schools

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