

BOARD BRIEF

Date: March 4, 2022

BOARD INFORMATION: X

MEETING PREPARATION:

FROM: E. Scott Merriman, Director of Pupil Transportation and Fleet Management

THROUGH: Dr. Alicia Hart, PMP, Chief of Facilities and Operations
Gregory C. Hutchings, Jr., Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

TO: The Honorable Meagan L. Alderton, Chair, and
Members of the Alexandria City School Board

TOPIC: SY21-22 Ridership Numbers Update

ACPS 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

- Goal 1: Systemic Alignment
- Goal 3: Student Accessibility and Support
- Goal 4: Strategic Resource Allocation
- Goal 5: Family and Community Engagement

SY 2021-2022 FOCUS AREA:

Focus Area 3: Strategic Plan Implementation

FY 2022 BUDGET PRIORITY:

Implementation of 2025 Strategic Plan

SUMMARY:

The Facilities and Operations Department (via the Office of Pupil Transportation and Fleet Management) collects daily ridership numbers as it relates to student transport. As of January 31, 2022, average ridership data were as follows:

- Primary School Ridership (includes K-8 student transport)
 - AM Ridership: 3,281
 - PM Ridership: 3,479
- Secondary School Ridership
 - AM Ridership: 3,460
 - PM Ridership: 3,016
- Average Daily Totals
 - AM Ridership: 6,741
 - PM Ridership: 6,495

Attachment 1, "Pupil Transportation Ridership Counts" provides additional details on ridership

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data. As an aside, we partner with DASH to provide free transport for our secondary students. At this time, DASH cannot disaggregate ACPS student ridership from their total ridership data.

BACKGROUND:

The Office of Pupil Transportation and Fleet Management collects and reconciles data as it relates to student ridership on ACPS buses.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends that the School Board review the ridership data provided in this brief and supplemental attachment.

IMPACT:

Ridership data collection allows for the Office of Pupil Transportation and Fleet Management to monitor trends and make informed decisions as it relates to transportation operations.

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A

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