## Written Public Hearing Comments on FY 25 Budgets #740

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Enter your comments here OR upload below:	It appears ACPS's proposed budget does not include a step increase or COLA. I hope this is some kind of oversight in the pre-hearing rush to prepare documents – because it is obvious that without the possibility of step increases or COLAs Alexandria will have an exceedingly difficult time retaining our teachers. And, of course, it will make it impossible to recruit talented teachers as well. While I do not have children, it is important to me that our school system receive the resources it needs. It is so foundational to a thriving community. So I want my tax dollars to support teachers. And teachers need COLAs and step increases or they will go elsewhere.