

Date: March 9, 2017

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Board Agenda: Yes x
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THROUGH: Terri H. Mazingo, Ed.D., Chief Academic Officer
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TO: The Honorable Ramee A. Gentry, Chair, and Members of the Alexandria City School Board

TOPIC: Special Education 101

BACKGROUND:

The Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) work plan emphasizes outreach and communication. The SEAC members recognize the importance of an informed community regarding the issues affecting students with disabilities. This presentation is designed to provide School Board members information regarding: the requirements mandated by special education legislation, the implications for practice in Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS), and the parent perspectives regarding programming for students with disabilities.

SUMMARY:

This presentation covers the following topics related to Special Education:

- Legal Foundations
- Child Find
- Eligibility
- Evaluation
- Individualized Education Program (IEP) Development
- ACPS Specialized Instruction Practices
- Parent Perspectives

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends that the School Board reviews the presentation.

IMPACT:

School Board members will gain additional insight regarding the provision of Specialized Instruction services in ACPS.

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