

Memorandum

TO: ACPS School Board Policy Subcommittee
FROM: Matt Smith, Policy Services Consultant
DATE: January 23, 2023
SUBJECT: Proposed Policy Revisions

Staff are proposing revisions to the following policies:

- BBBB - Student Representatives to the School Board
- BBBB-R - Student Representatives to the School Board - Regulations and Application
- BDDH - Public Participation at School Board Meetings (also KD)
- BDDH-R - Procedures for Public Communications with the School Board (also KD-R)
- CBCA - Disclosure Statement Required for Superintendent
- IE - Minute of Silence
- IEA - Pledge of Allegiance
- KNAJ - Relations with Law Enforcement Authorities

These policies have been revised to align with the ACPS Policy Style Guide, aligned with the VSBA model policy and the Code of Virginia, and reviewed by the Equity Audit Team.

The following have been reviewed by a team of ACPS staff members and reviewed by the Senior Leadership Team.

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Policy BBBB and regulation BBBB-R are undergoing a simple error correction, they are not undergoing a complete revision. These will be going for information without going through all revision steps.

The Subcommittee is part of the revision team for BDDH and BDDH-R, therefore clean versions are not provided. These will be reviewed by the SLT after the Subcommittee makes any adjustments.

These policies are proposed for information at various dates this school year.

Revision Summaries

BBBB - Student Representatives to the School Board

BBBB-R - Student Representatives to the School Board - Regulations and Application

- Correction

- Replaced T.C. Williams High School with Alexandria City High School

BDDH - Public Participation at School Board Meetings (also KD)

BDDH-R - Procedures for Public Communications with the School Board (also KD-R)

- Update requested by the School Board Clerk
- Restored the previous provision for speaker signup deadlines that was accidentally omitted in the last revision.
- Relocated the Board Belief Statement from the Regulation to the Policy
- Clarified public comments at Board meetings vs worksessions
- Added breadcrumbs to KK - School Visitors noting that speakers should not disrupt the orderly conduct of the meeting and a provision for submitting comments in writing if they repeatedly fail to comply with this provision.

CBCA - Disclosure Statement Required for Superintendent

- 5-year review
- Policy updated to align with the VSBA model policy and the Code of Virginia

IE - Minute of Silence

- 5-year review
- VSBA model policy alignment
- Added equitable practices
- Updated to reflect requirements of Legal Reference

IEA - Pledge of Allegiance

- 5-year review
- Standard changes
- Alignment with the VSBA Model Policy
- Addition of more equitable practices

KNAJ - Relations with Law Enforcement Authorities

- Updated notifications
- Updates roles
- Clarified in the opening paragraph that the role of police is in alignment with the MOU.
- Policy updated to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-279.3:1 by HB 4/[SB 36](#).
 - **School principals; incident reports.** Requires that school principals report to law enforcement certain enumerated acts that may constitute a misdemeanor offense and report to the parents of any minor student who is the specific object of such act that the incident has been reported to law enforcement. Under current law, principals are required to make such reports only for such acts that may constitute a felony offense. The bill provides, as an exception to the requirement to report any written threats against school personnel while on a school bus, on school property, or at a school-sponsored activity, that a principal is not required but may report to the local law-enforcement agency any such incident committed

by a student who has a disability. This bill incorporates SB 2, SB 287, and SB 613 and is identical to HB 4.