

Public Comments for Virtual School Board Meetings #50

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Topic * Renaming TC Williams

Name * Joy Drachman

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Dear Alexandria School Board:

Thank you for considering a rename of TC Williams High School. This name has been offensive to our students and our community for too long. It is time to follow the lead of other school districts and immediately commit to changing the name. I urge you to amend the motion being considered on July 10 to include the following language to DEFINITELY and AFFIRMATIVELY commit to removing the name T.C. Williams from our high school by no later than Dec 31, 2020.

Please vote to amend the motion so that as of December 31, 2020, T.C. Williams will no longer be the name of Alexandria's high school. As such, T.C. Williams shall not be considered as a name for the high school during the public engagement process outlined in Section 1, Regulation FF-R , nor shall it be included in the Superintendent's recommendations." Also, please strike "in the spring of 2021" and insert "no later than December 31, 2020" and strike "to examine a name change for" and add "to change the name of."
Thank you for your attention to this urgent issue.