

Public Comments for Virtual School Board Meetings #181

I would like to provide: *	Written Public Comments
My public comments are related to:	Virtual+ Plus Learning
Topic *	Change in Schedule for Virtual Plus
Full Name *	Nathan Macek
What is your relationship to ACPS? *	Parent/Guardian of an ACPS Student
Enter your comments here:	<p>I would like to address the revised Virtual Plus schedule for ACPS elementary school students.</p> <p>As a parent of a second grader at Maury Elementary, I appreciate the forthcoming changes to reduce screen time for students and provide a mid-morning break. In general, this is a welcome improvement.</p> <p>However, I disagree with the decision to reduce the time allotted for encore classes (art, music, phys ed, and library) from 45 to 30 minutes daily.</p> <p>Encore is one of the most interactive elements of the school day, and is not the portion of daily screen time that was the problem. Given the limited amount of time for encore to begin with, it further limits student interaction with other teachers in their buildings as well as time to explore important non-core subject areas.</p> <p>As you reconsider virtual schedules for the second semester of the school year, please consider reinstating a full 45 minutes for encore classes.</p> <p>Thank you,</p> <p>Nathan Macek</p>
