

BOARD BRIEF

Date: October 19, 2018

For ACTION: _____
For INFORMATION: X
Board Agenda: Yes _____
No X

FROM: Mignon R. Anthony, Chief Operating Officer

THROUGH: Gregory C. Hutchings, Jr., Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

TO: The Honorable Ramee A. Gentry, Chair, and Members of the Alexandria City School Board

TOPIC: Francis C. Hammond Cafeteria Project

Summary:

On Monday, October 22, the new Admiral Cafe’ at Francis C. Hammond Middle School will celebrate an official reveal and Grand Opening.

The old cafeteria is now a sleek and new, modern ‘Cafe’ having undergone a \$1.26 million facelift including almost 10,000 square feet of space. The Cafe construction is complete after several months of renovation. Educational Facilities Project Manager Jeet Viswanathan closely managed our contractor, The Bennett Group in their excellent construction and delivery of a design by Maginniss and del Ninno Architects. The project included student input and close coordination from Lucy Ruetiman at the Office of School Nutrition Services.

Most of the furniture is installed and inspections were finalized this week. The Middle School family will enjoy new sustainable flooring; modern, energy saving lighting; new sprinkler systems for fire safety; new plumbing system; an upgraded serving area; handsomely styled furniture; bottle filling stations; video monitor menu displays; wall color graphics, and new signage - all to be introduced starting after a “Move that Bus” reveal at 8:30 AM on Monday, October 22.

RECOMMENDATION: N/A

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