

Policy Revisions

School Board Meeting February 22, 2024













Essential Questions

- Do the revisions support Equity for All?
 - Who is the policy intended to impact?
 - Who does it impact?
 - Who is adversely impacted?
 - How do we mitigate the adverse impact?
- Do the revisions align with the Code of Virginia?
- Do the revisions improve Systemic Alignment?





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ACPS Policy Revision Process

Schedule

5-Year Review

Code Changes

Equity Audit

Changed Process

Need for Governance

Review and Revise

Baseline

Equity

Legal

Staff

Leadership

Board

Policy Consultant

Code Changes Standard Changes VSBA Alignment

Equity Team

Equitable Practices Equity Deep Dives

Division Council

Code Alignment Risk Mitigation Identified Staff

Current/Best Practices Targeted Advisory Committee Feedback

Integrated Policies Support of Vision

SB Policy Committee

Alignment with Priorities Community Input Opportunity

Adopt

Board Information

Presentation at SB Meeting Track Changes and Rationale Opportunity for Community Input

Board Action

Presentation or Consent at SB Meeting Track Changes and Rationale Opportunity for Community Input

Superintendent Action

Superintendent Approval of Regulations

Communicate

Principal's Weekly

Articles with Approved Changes

ACPS Insider

Articles with Approved Changes

Back to School Training

Summary of Changes for Past Year



Key Teams

- **Equity Audit Team**
 - Reviews from an equity lens
 - Targeted stakeholder input
- Staff Revision Team
 - Reviews from a staff lens
 - Reviews from a legal lens
- Senior Leadership Team
 - Reviews from a leadership lens
- School Board Policy Subcommittee
 - Reviews from a School Board lens
 - Opportunity for public comment













Policies and Regulations

- Policy is a <u>basic statement of the intent</u> of the School Board which creates rights and responsibilities for the conduct of the school division's business. Policies are adopted by the Board.
- Regulation is the manner or <u>method of implementation</u> of policy by the Superintendent and staff, subject to change as conditions and/or circumstances may dictate. Regulations are approved by the Superintendent.

Reference: Policy BFC - Policy Adoption



Standard Changes

Standard Changes used on all policies and regulations

- Remove gender affirming terms
- Replace parent with parent/guardian or families when appropriate
- Reduce the use of 'shall' per VSBA model policy changes
- Add breadcrumbs to other policies
- Reword and reformat to improve readability
- Relocate definitions to the beginning

Details of revisions are in the comments on the draft policies.



Revision Drivers

- Code changes
- VSBA model policy revisions
- Improving equity
- Need for new governance
- Need to remove governance











JCE – Redistricting Implementation
JCE-R – Redistricting Implementation Regulations

- Policy and Regulation are being retired as the prior redistricting implementation is complete
- A new policy and regulation will be developed to support implementation of the next redistricting











KF - Distribution of Information/Materials KF-R - Regulations for Distribution of Information/Materials in Schools By Non-School Organizations

- 5-year review
- Standard changes
- Minor reorganization to improve readability
- Added that distributed information will not promote discrimination
- Added VSBA language clarifying how student handle information/materials
- Added language addressing use of ACPS logo
- Updated the regulation title to clarify this only refers to Non-School Organizations











KG - Community Use of Schools Facilities KG-R - Community Use of Schools Facilities Regulations and Application

- Standard changes
- Revised to align with the VSBA Model Policy
- Reorganized to improve readability
- Added Superintendent's designee also responsible for working with City to develop City Facilities Use and Maintenance Agreement
- Removed facilities use protocols related to COVID 19
- Clarified the reasons the community can use ACPS facilities











KG - Community Use of Schools Facilities KG-R - Community Use of Schools Facilities Regulations and Application

- Continued
- Revised so Department of Facilities and Operations is contacted for use of facilities
- Replaced T. C. Williams H. S. with ACHS
- Reorganization to improve readability
- Revised procedures for requesting facilities use
- Clarified services to be provided by custodial staff and ACPS
- Removed Appendix A Facility Use Fee Schedule as fees are published in the ACPS Budget
- Removed Appendix B Permit for Use of School Facilities











KGA - Public Sales on School Property

- 5-year review
- Standard changes
- Added a definition of Extracurricular Programs to tie this policy together with Policy KG -Community Use of School Facilities.











KH - Public Donations to Schools KH-R - Regulations for Public Donations to the Schools

- 5-year review
- Standard changes
- Minor rewording and reorganization to improve readability
- Increased thresholds that require Board approval
- Add a provision requiring a monthly report to the Board on accepted donations
- Added breadcrumbs to policies covering acceptance of donations and Board Members
- Provided clarification on when ACPS may not accept a donation
- Breadcrumb provided on the procedure for restricted donations
- Clarified the types of donations, thresholds, and acceptance procedures











KJ - Advertising in the Schools

- 5-year review
- Standard changes
- Revisions made to improve clarity
- Reorganization to improve readability and to emphasize intent of policy
- Breadcrumbs to Policies JL & JQ
- Clarified that advertisements may be used to offset costs of school publications or activities



Progress Monitoring

Target

The ACPS Board will review for equity and adopt at least 100 policies each year.

Milestone	12 Months
Policies Adopted	105
Equity Review	162
Staff Review	113
SB Policy Subcommittee Review	114

205 Policies/Regulations are currently undergoing revision Equity Audit is 66% Complete (292 Policies/Regulations)



Next Steps

The policies presented this evening will be on the agenda for approval via the Consent Calendar at the next School Board meeting.



Questions?

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