

VIRGINIA BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item: C

Date: December 12, 2023

Title: Final Review of Board of Education Comprehensive Plan

Presenter: Jim Chapman, Director of Board Relations

Purpose of Presentation

Action required by state or federal law or regulation (i.e., a change in law requires a change in program requirements; this is part of a regulatory action).

Executive Summary

The current iteration of the Board's Comprehensive Plan has been in effect since 2018 until the end of the current year. The plan describes the Board's priorities and goals to achieve the objectives of public education in Virginia and to accomplish the Board's mission.

The proposed draft Comprehensive Plan: 2024–2029 accounts for discussions of the Board and any public comment that has been received. The Comprehensive Plan includes the following sections:

- Purpose of the Comprehensive Plan
- Board of Education's Mission
- The Objectives of Public Education in Virginia
- The Extent to which the Objectives of Public Education are Being Achieved
- Board of Education's Priorities and Goals for 2024–2029
- Appendices

The Board's Annual Report will update the public, Governor, and General Assembly on the extent to which the priorities and goals, established in the Comprehensive Plan, are being met.

Action Requested

Final review: Action requested at this meeting.

Superintendent's Recommendation

The Superintendent of Public Instruction ("Superintendent") recommends that the Board approve the Comprehensive Plan as presented and delegate authority for any final edits to the Board President and the Superintendent.

Rationale for Action

The current iteration of the Comprehensive Plan has been approved through the end of the year. The Board is under a statutory obligation to have a Comprehensive Plan, and so must approve a new plan by the end of the year.

Previous Review or Action

No previous review or action.

Background Information and Statutory Authority

Section <u>22.1-253.13:6(A)</u> of the Code of Virginia states the following:

The Board of Education shall adopt a statewide comprehensive, unified, long-range plan based on data collection, analysis, and evaluation. Such plan shall be developed with statewide participation. The Board shall review the plan biennially and adopt any necessary revisions. The Board shall post the plan on the Department of Education's website if practicable, and, in any case, shall make a hard copy of such plan available for public inspection and copying.

This plan shall include the objectives of public education in Virginia, including strategies for first improving student achievement, particularly the achievement of educationally at-risk students, then maintaining high levels of student achievement; an assessment of the extent to which these objectives are being achieved; a forecast of enrollment changes; and an assessment of the needs of public education in the Commonwealth. In the annual report required by § 22.1-18, the Board shall include an analysis of the extent to which these Standards of Quality have been achieved and the objectives of the statewide comprehensive plan have been met. The Board shall also develop, consistent with, or as a part of, its comprehensive plan, a detailed comprehensive, long-range plan to integrate educational technology into the Standards of Learning and the curricula of the public schools in Virginia, including career and technical education programs. The Board shall review and approve the comprehensive plan for educational technology and may require the revision of such plan as it deems necessary.

Implementation and Communication

Upon approval by the Board, the Comprehensive Plan will be posted for the public on the VDOE website.

Impact on Fiscal and Human Resources:

This action has no impact on fiscal or human resources.