Policy Revision and Adoption

F-1 Capital Improvement Plan, F-5.7 Capital and Maintenance Program, G-1.8 Financial Interests, I-1.35 Resources, K-2.1 Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and K-14.30 Volunteers and Partners

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F-1 Capital Improvement Plan

Timeline	
Drafting	October 2025
SB Policy Subcommittee	November 2025
Public Comment	May 13-June 12, 2026
School Board Information	July 30, 2026
School Board Action	August 13, 2026

Policy Changes:

- Add that when the Board approves cost deviations, the total cost deviations for the project must be reported.
- Add language taken from the PIP that covers the School Board with minor language changes.
- Minor technical changes.

PIP Changes (pending):

- Move language covering the School Board to the Policy.
- Minor technical changes.

Public Comment:

- One APS graduate strongly disagreed with the policy. No explanation was given.

F-5.7 Capital and Maintenance Program

Timeline	
Drafting	September 2025
SB Policy Subcommittee	May 2026
Public Comment	May 13-June 12, 2026
School Board Information	July 30, 2026
School Board Action	August 13, 2026

Policy Changes:

- Remove reference to the FAC.
- Change the goal of inclusion to inclusion and accessibility.
- Add more detail to the goal of sustainability.
- Add a goal of continuity.
- Change review of Educational Specifications from every 5 years to as determined by Academics and Facilities & Operations.
- Remove language that's duplicative of the Procurement Resolution.
- Require quarterly reports on both physical and fiscal progress.
- Add the Board Approval section from PIP-1 with minor changes.

Policy Changes:

- Change the HALRB to the County Board regarding historic preservation, consistent with the change to the Zoning Ordinance.
- Minor technical changes.

PIP-1 Capital and Maintenance Program (pending):

- Move the Board Approval section to the Policy.
- Minor technical changes.

PIP-2 Building Level Planning Committees (July):

- Streamline parent and student categories for BLPC representation to just require that parents/guardians and students be selected.
- Require each civic association within the attendance zone of a neighborhood school to be represented, rather than the one where the school is located and each adjacent one. Save that criteria for option schools.
- Require that the staff assigned to support the BLPC be different than the staff appointed to serve on the BLPC.
- Take out provisions that attempt to control the County government.
- Take out unnecessary language regarding BLPC conduct and understanding.
- Add that BLPC provides input, but all decisions are made by the School Board.
- Minor technical changes.

PIP-3 Selection of Architecture/Engineering Firms (June):

- Minor technical changes.

PIP-4 Environmental Assessments (June):

- Remove unnecessary reference.

PIP-5 Minor Construction/Major Maintenance(June):

- Remove references to the MC/MM Committee.
- Minor technical changes.

PIP-6 Signs on School Property (June):

- Delete superfluous language.
- Remove unnecessary reference.

PIP-7 Safety During Construction (June):

- Minor technical changes.

G-1.8 Financial Interests

Timeline	
Drafting	April 2026
SB Policy Subcommittee	May 2026
Public Comment	May 13-June 12, 2026
School Board Information	July 30, 2026
School Board Action	August 13, 2026

Policy Changes:

- Retire the policy.

I-1.35 Resources

Timeline	
Drafting	October 2025
SB Policy Subcommittee	November 2025
Public Comment	April 13-May 13, 2026
School Board Information	July 30, 2026
School Board Action	August 13, 2026

Policy Changes:

- Retire the policy.

K-2.1 Virginia Freedom of Information Act

Timeline	
Drafting	November 2025
SB Policy Subcommittee	December 2025
Public Comment	April 13-May 13, 2026
School Board Information	July 30, 2026
School Board Action	August 13, 2026

K-2.1 Virginia Freedom of Information Act

Policy Changes:

- Delete monitoring language.

PIP Changes:

- Change responsibility from SCR to the FOIA officer.
- Update procedures.
- Update rates.

K-14.30 Volunteers and Partners

Timeline	
Drafting	September 2025
SB Policy Subcommittee	October 2025
Public Comment	October 30-November 29, 2025
School Board Information	July 30, 2026
School Board Action	August 13, 2026

Policy Changes:

- Remove outdated references to Volunteer and Partnership Liaisons.
- Update definitions.
- Remove monitoring language.
- Minor technical changes.

PIP-1 Volunteers (October 2025):

- Remove outdated references to Volunteer and Partnership Liaisons.
- Remove language that duplicates policy.
- Remove unnecessary duties of school-based staff.
- Add chaperones to the volunteer procedures.

PIP-2 Partners (pending):

- Remove outdated references to Volunteer and Partnership Liaisons.
- Remove unnecessary language.
- Remove out of date definitions.
- Require partners to have an agreement and to fill out the APS Partnership Agreement Form.
- Remove volunteer procedures that are duplicative with PIP-1.
- Remove out of date procedures.
- Change agreement review from annual to 6 months before expiration.

Public Comment:

- One parent strongly agreed but wanted to ensure that once a volunteer is screened there would be a way to recheck and renew that is thorough but not burdensome and that parent guardians must still feel welcomed and encouraged to attend events. The screening procedures only apply to volunteers, not all event attendees. Volunteer applications are good for three years before a new one needs to be filed. The procedures are detailed in PIP-1.

Public Comment:

- One parent expressed concern about the removal of “partners” from some of the language about the rules governing volunteers at schools. This is because partners are organizations, not individuals. PIP-2 requires everyone affiliated with a partner who works in schools to go through the same screening as volunteers. The parent also expressed concern about after school enrichment providers, but those are governed by Policy F-7 Financial Management- Use of School Facilities and are separate from the partners described here.

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