

POOUOSON CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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The Honorable Ghazala Hashmi, Chair Senate Education and Health Committee 20 I North 9th Street Virginia General Assembly Building Richmond, VA 23219

The Honorable Sam Rasoul, Chair House Education Committee 201 North 9th Street Virginia General Assembly Building Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Senator Hashmi and Delegate Rasoul,

Per House Bill 2278, Poquoson City Public Schools submits this correspondence to affirm our ongoing commitment to maintaining accessibility in all school facilities and programs in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

At the time of construction, renovation, or significant modification, all Poquoson City Public Schools facilities were designed, reviewed, and approved in accordance with the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards in effect at that time.

Our division maintains a yearly practice, as part of our Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) process, of evaluating the accessibility of all school facilities to ensure our buildings and grounds provide access for all students, staff, and visitors.

We are actively engaged in evaluating all facilities and programs to identify any areas requiring updates or improvements under current ADA standards and other applicable regulations. To help guide this process, we are utilizing the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) Report to Congress, "K–12 Education: School Districts Need Better Information to Help Improve Access for People with Disabilities" (June 2020) as a resource for assessing barriers and developing strategies for equitable access. Any identified concerns will be addressed with a detailed corrective action plan, including prioritization and timelines for resolution.

Poquoson City Public Schools values an inclusive environment where all students, staff, and visitors can access and participate fully in our educational programs and activities. We will continue to work closely with local and state partners to ensure our facilities meet or exceed applicable accessibility standards.

Please feel free to contact me if additional information or documentation is needed.

Respectfully,

Andrew Roberts

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