BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY INFORMATIONAL REPORT

DECISION ON PROPOSED NEW BOARD POLICY

VOLUNTEERS

September 22, 2025

Background Information

The Board of Education maintains a policy manual that outlines the various policies governing Harford County Public Schools (HCPS). At present, the Board does not have a formal Volunteer Policy in place. Establishing a Volunteer Policy will provide clear expectations for schools and support a consistent, streamlined process that fosters strong, trusted partnerships between schools and the community.

Discussion

Goal 2 of the Board's Strategic Plan emphasizes the importance of engaging families and the community as partners in the education of our students. The development of a Volunteer Policy underscores the Board's commitment to this goal by formally recognizing the vital role volunteers play in supporting student success and school initiatives. This proposed policy aims to establish consistent guidelines across all schools to ensure that volunteer activities are aligned with the Board's strategic goals and comply with HCPS policies and regulations. This new policy will also help build a more cohesive and supportive volunteer infrastructure across the district.

Attachments

1. Proposed New Volunteers Policy

Superintendent's Recommendation

For the foregoing reasons, the Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the attached proposed new policy entitled "Volunteers".