Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The newest controversy that has intrigued a lot of people in Arlington. Being a student of Washington Lee myself, I have run into many people who asked me my opinions on the topic and what I thought the outcome may be. Every time, I said the same thing, "I don’t know." After doing a project in our English class and doing research on Lee and other factors that may impact the decision, I have concluded that Washington Lee should not be renamed. This school has a long history of being one of the best schools in Virginia. Changing the name would wipe away our reputation. It is clear that Lee's viewpoints on some topics, like racism, don't align with modern day values or what Washington Lee's values are. However, that was a century ago, having slaves was acceptable at the time and the majority of the US had the same views. Especially Virginia being a southern state, made his views more accepted. Instead of changing the name out of guilt, we should take pride in how far we have become as a society. In addition, changing the name would be extremely expensive. Having to repaint and reprint everything is costly. Our school is bigger and more modern than other schools in our area, and there is a myriad of things that would have to change. Like our scoreboard, turf, walls, engravings, school uniforms, and much more. Each part costing more and more taxpayer money. We could use this money for other things like building new schools or hiring more teachers. We cannot spend millions just changing a school name. If the naming the school
after Lee is causing people in our community to feel uncomfortable, then the next best option is to rededicate Lee to someone else in history named Lee. This way we don't waste much effort changing the name, but the meaning of Lee will be less offensive to others.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views on the renaming of Washington Lee high School. As you may know, an appointed renaming committee is currently at work considering suggested name changes to present for the School Board's decision. Your message will be shared with the committee for their information.

Again, your interest and input regarding this issue is appreciated.

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Paul Bobeczko Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Hello and thanks for soliciting feedback on the re-naming process for W-L High School. As a proud parent of two W-L students I feel strongly that W-L High School should NOT be renamed. From my perspective, the call to re-name this school is a direct result of
the incidents in Charlottesville, VA not as a result of any long-standing concern that students or families had with the name. I believe the more appropriate way to move forward is to continue to foster and enhance the environment of inclusiveness that already exists at W-L. I also believe a decision to re-name puts us down a slippery slope that sets a dangerous precedent. What school will be next for what reason? Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.
Again, thank you for your input.
historical people of importance, I think it is also important to recognize the Native Americans who used to populate the area. Through research of Native American tribes in the area, some included tribes were Patawomeck, Cheroenhaka (Nottoway) Tribe, or Monacan Nation – a tribe well known to Virginia. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestions for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

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**E-Mail**

**Date In:** 10/25/2018  
**Modified:** 10/25/2018 - 1:41pm  
**Issue:** ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change  
**Subject:** Engage with APS  
**Comments:**  
Ms. Brenda Orndorff Raj

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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Brenda Omdorff Raj  

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please keep the name W-L High
School. Changing the name does not change history. We need to preserve history to know not to repeat some things that were wrong. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

**E-Mail**

**Date In:** 10/25/2018  
**Modified:** 10/26/2018 - 11:47am  
**Issue:** ENGAGE:WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions  
**Subject:** Engage with APS  
**Comments:**  
Ms. Verna Clarke-Walker  
No postal address available

**Status:** Closed  
**E-Mail:** 10/26/2018  
**Viewed:** Not viewed  
**Assigned:** Meg Tuccillo  
**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
**Response:** Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 ([Include history])  
**Salutation:** FORMAL - Ms. Clarke-Walker

**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

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Name Verna Clarke-Walker  

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L  

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a graduate of WASHINGTON-LEE HIGH SCHOOL, I submit for consideration GENERALLY HIGH SCHOOL. That way LEE is still in there. But it's all general. Seriously, the only name I would like to see is WASHINGTON-LEE. But if you MUST rename it, William T. Anderson. Quite a famous fellow he was. And a confederate leader. Owned no slaves. And his sisters were
persecuted and imprisoned by the Union army, which should sit well with feminist historians. Just a thought. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestions for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.
Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
graduated and continues to grow. To choose to focus on the origins of part of a name over what that name stands for today -- and through the years -- is to undervalue our community and what Arlington's citizens has built. It is unwise to discount decades of building community because buried in our common American history is that link to a slave plantation, a slave owner, or a former rebel. After all, our county and our national cemetery have Confederate-related names. Yet, when we hear "Arlington County" our thoughts are of our community, and when "Arlington Cemetery" is said or written we recall the legacy of our honored. Leadership acknowledges that it strengthens us all by preserving communities of interest. Having lived in Arlington with my family since 1959, I have seen and come to expect great leadership. I hope it continues. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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a good option. It is still W-L, lowering the cost of changing it, and Lafayette is still a general, but less well-known, yet had a very important role. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Student

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestion for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.  
Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

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**E-Mail**  
**Date In:** 9/3/2018  
**Modified:** 9/4/2018 - 2:55pm  
**Issue:** ENGAGE: SCHOOL NAME - School Naming, ENGAGE: W-L - Washington Lee, and ENGAGE: WL SUPPORT - Support WL Name Change  
**Subject:** FW: W-L name change  
**Comments:** yes, change name - cc Supt in response  
Mr. Estabrook  
No postal address available

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**Status:** Closed  
**E-Mail:** 9/4/2018  
**Viewed:** 9/4/2018  
**Assigned:** Meg Tuccillo  
**Subject:** Re: FW: W-L name change  
**Response:** Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)  
**Salutation:** FORMAL - Mr. Estabrook  
**Activity:** Msg: 0 Open, 2 Recent

**Comments:** yes, change name - cc Supt in response

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**Incoming**

**Subject:** FW: W-L name change

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On 9/3/18, 7:22 AM, "C G Estabrook" wrote:

My wife, nee Leigh Stewart, W-L 1960, and I support changing the name of Washington-Lee high school. We also support accurate teaching about the eras of George Washington and Robert E. Lee - and our own. Regards, C. G.Estabrook, W-L1960 W-L student council president, 1959-60

Outgoing

Subject: Re: FW: W-L name change

Thank you for taking the time to share your views on the current name change process for Washington-Lee High School. As you may know, the School Board will approve the membership of the School Naming Committee this Thursday night and the committee will come back to the Board with recommendations on November 29th.

Your support for a name change will be shared with APS staff working with the committee on this issue.

Comments: suggestions
Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Engage with APS Name Michael Beer Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I recommend also dropping the name Washington..because it is so widely used in our society (and arlington). There are important names and people that could be memorialized who are less well known.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thanks, Michael, for taking the time to share your thoughts and suggestions regarding the current renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Please know that your message will be forwarded to the Naming Committee for their information and consideration. We are receiving many useful tips and ideas and all community input will be happily received.

The W-L Renaming Committee will conduct their work this fall and will include opportunities for community input. The committee will come back with their recommendations to the School Board this December.

Again, thank you for your thoughts and your interest in W-L’s renaming.

E-Mail

Date In: 9/7/2018
Modified: 9/10/2018 - 3:34pm
Issue: ENGAGE: SCHOOL NAME - School Naming and ENGAGE:WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Ms. Michelle Letts

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Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Engage with APS Name Michelle Letts Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Come up with names that start with a W and an L so we can keep the letters and not spend too much money on changing equipment and other things in the building. Example: Woodrow Wilson & Abe Lincoln

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and suggestions regarding the current renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Please know that your message will be forwarded to the Naming Committee for their information and consideration. We are receiving many useful tips and ideas and all community input will be happily received.

The W-L Renaming Committee will conduct their work this fall and will include opportunities for community input. The committee will come back with their recommendations to the School Board this December.

Again, thank you for your suggesting keeping the W and L with new names to save costs and your interest in W-L’s renaming process.
Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Find another General with an "L" name and make colors Navy and White. We’ll still be the W-L Generals and many items can be salvaged with the color scheme. Save the county lots of money!

Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share both today’s and last week’s suggestions regarding the current renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Please know that your message will be forwarded to the Naming Committee for their information and consideration. We are receiving many useful tips and ideas and all community input will be happily received.

The W-L Renaming Committee will conduct their work this fall and will include opportunities for community input. The committee will come back with their recommendations to the School Board this December. Again, thank you for your thoughts and your interest in W-L’s renaming.
Engage with APS Name Daniel Moses

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions:

Just wanted to show you all my support as a teacher at W-L, a community member, and a historian. I strongly support a name change. If you are soliciting suggestions, I think "Generals High School" might be a fair compromise and the simplest option.

Thanks! Dan Moses

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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The W-L Renaming Committee will conduct their work this fall and will include opportunities for community input. The committee will come back with their recommendations to the School Board this December.

Again, thank you for your suggestion for a compromise name and your interest in W-L’s renaming.
Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Engage with APS Name Beth Prange us Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Keep W-L Keep Generals Lose Lee

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and suggestions regarding the current renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Please know that your message will be forwarded to the Naming Committee for their information and consideration. We are receiving many useful tips and ideas and all community input will be happily received.

The W-L Renaming Committee will conduct their work this fall and will include opportunities for community input. The committee will come back with their recommendations to the School Board this December.

Again, thank you for your succinct thoughts and your interest in W-L’s renaming.
Subject: Engage with APS

Engage with APS Name Jennifer Burke Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I hope you can at least keep the Washington part of the name. If not, I would prefer it not be named after any person(s) as it can only invite potential future controversy. Perhaps consider something geographical or a place name like Arlington High School (a place that isn’t named after a person, of course).

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and suggestions regarding the current renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Please know that your message will be forwarded to the Naming Committee for their information and consideration. We are receiving many useful tips and ideas and all community input will be happily received.

The W-L Renaming Committee will conduct their work this fall and will include opportunities for community input. The committee will come back with their recommendations to the School Board this December. Again, thank you for your suggestion about avoiding names of individuals and for your interest in W-L’s renaming process.
Engage with APS Name Kate Miller. Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I’d like to see a name that celebrates the diversity of WL and reflects the inclusive atmosphere that we try to create at this school. I’m not sure what that is though...

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and suggestions regarding the current renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Please know that your message will be forwarded to the Naming Committee for their information and consideration. We are receiving many useful tips and ideas and all community input will be happily received.

The W-L Renaming Committee will conduct their work this fall and will include opportunities for community input. The committee will come back with their recommendations to the School Board this December. Again, thank you for suggesting consideration of a name that celebrates diversity and your interest in W-L’s renaming.
Engage with APS Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: It would be great if we can keep the initials of the school W-L and also keep the mascot as the "general". Perhaps the "L" can stand for Lincoln.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I would hate to see the county spend the millions it will cost to rename. I would like another option considered. I understand the Robert E Lee has a father that was very active and not as offensive as his son. Let's change the name to reflect him.

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and suggestions regarding the current renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Please know that your message will be forwarded to the Naming Committee for their information and consideration. We are receiving many useful tips and ideas and all community input will be happily received.

The W-L Renaming Committee will conduct their work this fall and will include opportunities for community input. The committee will come back with their recommendations to the School Board this December.

Again, thank you for your suggestion about Robert E. Lee's father and your interest in W-L’s renaming.

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**E-Mail**

**Date In:** 9/10/2018

**Modified:** 9/10/2018 - 3:19pm

**Issue:** ENGAJE:WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions

**Subject:** Engage with APS

**Comments:**

Ms. Sharon Spicer

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**Status:** Closed

**E-Mail 9/10/2018**

**Viewed:** 9/10/2018

**Assigned:** Meg Tuccillo

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

**Response:** Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 *(Include history)*

**Salutation:** FORMAL - Ms. Spicer

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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

- Engage with APS Name Sarah Spicer

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to
Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts and suggestions regarding the current renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Please know that your message will be forwarded to the Naming Committee for their information and consideration. We are receiving many useful tips and ideas and all community input will be happily received.

The W-L Renaming Committee will conduct their work this fall and will include opportunities for community input. The committee will come back with their recommendations to the School Board this December.

Again, thank you for your thoughts and your interest in W-L’s renaming.
learn in a safe environment. To have students go to a school and have the mascot named the Generals after a person that fought for enslavement of a race is humiliating. Also the community must be sensitive to all perspectives because change is hard. Especially students in the classroom will be most impacted.

Outgoing
None

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**E-Mail**
Date In: 9/28/2018
Modified: 10/1/2018 - 3:08pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL SUPPORT - Support WL Name Change and ENGAGE: WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: suggested Benjamin Davis

Mr. Matthew Gibert
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Status: Closed E-Mail 10/1/2018
Viewed: 10/1/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Gibert

Comments: suggested Benjamin Davis

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** Incoming **
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Matthew Gibert com Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I recently celebrated my twenty-fifth high school reunion with over 100 of my 1993 classmates from Washington-Lee High School. What struck me—in the middle of our alma mater’s renaming controversy—was the diversity of our class (and thankfully the reunion too!) and the ease with which we related to one another both then and now. While closest friends were more likely to share ethnic backgrounds, there really was a true camaraderie among the members of our class across racial lines. I consider the diversity of my childhood education in Arlington County—at Drew Model Elementary, Kenmore Intermediate, and Washington-Lee—to be a great gift. I am confident that I learned and grew in ways that I would
not have had I attended more homogenous schools. As I’ve discussed the renaming with friends and family members, it’s become clear that the name of our great high school, Washington-Lee, communicates a message of exclusion to many people of color, including those who call her alma mater. This troubles me because my actual experience at the school—albeit from the perspective of a white male—was not the exclusion of minorities but the inclusion of pluralities. I would never want people to feel “less than” before they even enter the building. Renaming schools that bear the names of bygone historical figures and heroes is understandably controversial with its concomitant temptation to demand 21st-century values and sensibilities from citizens of previous eras. Times change and so do cultural norms, and heroes of the past need not remain heroes of the present. I’m concerned about the precedent that our county could be setting, but I do understand and support the name change. I also support the need for our county’s school names to reflect the diversity of its constituents. With the name Washington-Lee set to be changed, my question turned to our athletic nickname, “Generals.” In all honesty, we self-identified as Generals far more than Washington-Lee, which was almost always shortened to W-L anyway (and pronounced even less clearly as “Dubyanell”). My hope is that we will be able to keep Generals as a nickname that will unify all the classes of the school, even once the name changes. I’m recommending that you consider the name Benjamin Davis High School as the new name. Benjamin Davis, Sr., defied all odds in a very racially divided era to become the first ever African-American general of the United States Army. His son, Benjamin Davis, Jr., followed in his father’s footsteps to become the first African-American general of the United States Air Force, eventually advancing to four-star general. Both men were distinguished public servants. Both men are local, born across the river in Washington, D.C. Both men served in the Pentagon—one of the landmarks for which our county is known. And both men are buried in Arlington National Cemetery, on the grounds of the mansion for which our county is named. I believe the name Benjamin Davis High School—representing two generals, father and son—is a great choice as the new name for Washington-Lee High School. Thank you for your work to find a name befitting our great school, and thank you for considering my suggestion. Sincerely, Matthew C. Gibert Class of 1993

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to give thought to a possible new name for Washington-Lee high School. I am sharing your suggestion of Benjamin Davis (Jr. and Sr.) to the renaming committee currently at work on coming to a recommendation.

Again, thank you for your suggestion.
Comments: Suggest Nelson Mandela HS

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name: Paul Grace

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I think an outstanding option to consider is: Nelson Mandela High School. Below are some reasons: The name will be eligible to use in early Dec based on the 5 year "posthumous" rule. The name represents the international character and diversity of the Arlington community and the high school. Mandela is a symbol and shining example of peace, activism, and philanthropy. Arlington County would be seen as a leader and visionary in the state and the country.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to suggest Nelson Mandela as a name for our committee currently looking at renaming Washington-Lee High School. I will share your suggestion with them for their consideration as they begin their work this month.

Thank you again for your interest in this important issue.
Name Lauren Wilson

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions:
Why W-L should stay W-L. I believe that Washington-Lee should not change its name. Washington-Lee was founded in 1925 and named after two men who played major roles in Virginia History along with American History. Robert E Lee was an American and Confederate soldier, best known as the commander of the Confederate States Army. George Washington was commander-in-chief of the Continental Army during the American Revolution, he also led the U.S. to victory in the land battle of the American Revolutionary War. The biggest reason for the name change was the controversial past of Robert E Lee and slavery. Robert E Lee has reportedly kidnapped, mistreated, and abused free slaves. He also sold them back into slavery for his own profit. There was really no mention of George Washington in the name change but, what is never addressed is the fact that George Washington owned slaves as well. Believe it or not Washington and Lee was the first University to accept and graduate African American students. Robert E Lee may have not been that great of a guy but the amount of money that would be spent on the name change would be outrageous. The school would have to hire a graphic designer to create a new mascot. The school would need to get a new scoreboard, repaint over the murals on the walls, redesign school merch, and sports jerseys. Repaint the football field, get a new sign for the school. There are so many more things that would need to be replaced and with all the money it would cost, the school would be able to buy 3,000 graphing calculators and 460 MacBooks. The reason I don't think we should change the name is that having Washington and Lee in our school name is history. Just because we don’t like things that happened in the past doesn’t mean we can just erase it and forget all about it. If we keep trying to erase history it’s going to repeat itself. Instead, we should be trying to build off of the past and make sure these things don’t happen again.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to share your views on why you feel Washington Lee should retain its name. As you may know, there is currently a committee appointed by the School Board to consider name changes and I will share your message with them for their information.

Again, we do appreciate your interest and your input on this issue.

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**E-Mail**

**Date In:** 10/12/2018  
**Modified:** 10/16/2018 - 3:56pm  
**Issue:** ENGAGE: SCHOOL NAME - School Naming, ENGAGE: UNSOLICITED - General feedback  
Compliment/complaint, and ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change  
**Subject:** Engage with APS  
**Comments:** keep WL  
Ms. William Reynolds  
No postal address available

**Status:** Closed  
**E-Mail 10/16/2018 Viewed:** 10/16/2018  
**Assigned:** Meg Tuccillo  
**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
**Comments:** keep WL

**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name William Reynolds  
com Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear Renaming Committee, My name is Will Reynolds. I am a junior at Washington Lee High School and have lived in Arlington my whole life. In my opinion, I do not think that it is necessary to change the name of my high school and I think that it would actually be beneficial to keep it. I know some people feel differently, but I feel that we should acknowledge our history and address it to show how far we have come as a community and as a country. It is true that at the time, Robert E. Lee owned slaves and fought for the Confederacy, but he did those things because there were reasons for them. He owned slaves because, as bad as it sounds, most wealthy land owners had slaves back then. I’m not supporting
slavery, it was horrible, but it’s just what the reality was. Also, he fought for the Confederacy because he did not want to fight against his home, Virginia, and his family. So while he may have a checkered past in our eyes, he may have thought that he was just doing the right thing by being loyal to his family and his home. Another big reason that I do not think that we should change the name is that it could turn out to be pretty expensive. We would need to change all our logos across the school, especially the big ones like on the basketball court and football field. In addition to that, we would need to get new uniforms for every sports team because of the name on the jersey. I personally think that the county could spend this kind of money on other things that everyone agrees with like fixing up roads with big potholes and maybe even donating some of that money to a charity of some kind, to give back to the community. We should not be trying to erase a part of our history. It happened and there is nothing we can do to change that fact. Instead of trying to erase our past by getting rid of a name of a very big figure in Arlington, we should acknowledge what he did and learn from the mistakes he made and the mistakes our country has made. In doing this, it could bring us together as a school and educate us so that we don’t repeat history. Sincerely, Will Reynolds

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to identify the reasons you feel the name Washington Lee should remain in place. As you know, there is an appointed renaming committee in place working on suggested name changes and your message will be shared with them for their information as well.

Again, thank you for your interest in this important issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name carter humm  Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: WL Name Change By:Carter Humm

Washington-Lee is a renowned high school known for its diversity and rigorous academics. A large portion of students feel like the name of their high school does not align with their values. Many feel like the Robert E. Lee portion should be removed from the name for reasons such as; he was a racist, it offends many students, and he owned one of the largest slave plantations in Virginia. As one of the most progressive high schools in the nation, it would be fitting to have a name that aligns with our values. The first reason that Robert E. Lee should have his named stripped is because he fought for the Confederacy. He fought for the enslavement of African Americans which is very ironic considering a decent portion of W-L students are African American or identify as a minority. He also was documented owning one of the largest slave plantations in Virginia. He inherited over one-hundred slaves from his father and was supposed to release them after five years, which he never did. In addition to not releasing his slaves, the living conditions of the slaves were horrendous. It was recorded that there were over ten people living in a mud hut that was no larger than a small classroom. For these reasons, the Lee portion should be removed from the high school. His values do not align with the schools and it is disrespectful to many students ancestors who went through severe mental and physical anguish.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your support for changing the name of Washington Lee High School. Please know your message will be shared with the renaming committee currently working on this issue. Again, we do appreciate your interest and your input on this important issue!
Subject: Engage with APS  

Name John Edelstein Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear Renaming Committee,

My name is John Edelstein and I am a junior at Washington-Lee High School. I believe that Washington-Lee should not change their name for multiple reasons. First, they should not change the name because even though Robert E. Lee owned slaves and our high school is named after him it does not mean that everyone or anyone for that matter thinks slavery was a good idea. Though Lee didn’t give all his slaves a nice place to stay while they worked, he didn’t treat them as bad as many other slave owners at the time. Washington-Lee shouldn’t change the name is because Lee owned over 1000 acres of land in Arlington, he deserves to be honored and respected for that, while Lee was alive, 1000 acres was almost 1/15th of Arlington. He should be honored for that even more than just having a high school and a street named after him. The final reason why Washington-Lee High School should keep their name is because George Washington also owned slaves. If people think that the Lee should be taken out of the name than it bring up the question “why shouldn’t Washington be taken out of the name as well?”. During the years that Lee was alive most wealthy people owned slaves, it was a norm, and nobody thought for a second that it was a bad thing. But now since a few alumni brought the issue up it turned into a huge problem concerning our high school and how everyone in it is racist… which is obviously not true. For these reasons Washington-Lee high school should not change their name. From, John Edelstein

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for expressing your views on the renaming of Washington Lee High School. As you know, there is currently a renaming committee appointed by the School Board considering suggestions on this issue and I will forward your message for their consideration as well.

Again, thanks for your interest in this important issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Lucy Pappa

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: October 1st, 2018

Dear re-naming committee,

My name is Lucy Pappa and I am a junior at Washington Lee High School. I am writing this letter to express my opinion about the renaming of my school. I think that W-L should keep their name. I recognize that some do not want their school to glorify people who stood for white supremacy and slave ownership. However, I think that these people are forgetting that almost everyone during the times of Washington and Lee owned slaves, therefore I question if this is a good enough reason to change the name. I have gone to W-L for two years and would like to graduate from a school that has had the same name throughout my time here. I believe that if the name were to be changed before my grade graduated that no one would respect the change and would still refer to it as W-L anyways. For instance, many students that go to Justice High School still refer to it as J.E.B. Stuart. This is because people do not recognize the name Justice High School. Finally, I think that the cost of creating new logos, uniforms, and jersey makes changing the name not worth it considering that Arlington County Schools is on a strict budget. While I, of course, do not agree with the actions and ideas of George Washington and Robert E. Lee I think that changing the name and trying to erase these figures from history is the wrong decision. Thanks for your time, Lucy Pappa

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for expressing your personal views on why you feel the name Washington Lee should remain in place. Your message will also be shared with the renaming committee currently working on this issue for their information.

Again, thank you for your interest in this important issue.

Comments: cc Linda -Bruce Lee suggestion
more equality Bruce Lee’s last name would “replace” his. First off Bruce Lee would better represent the student body at W-L since he was Asian and a minority which makes sense when W-L’s student demographic consists of 58% minority attendees. Bruce Lee was also the son of immigrant parents which would show the equality our school strives to represent when accepting students of all backgrounds. He is a true example of the American dream and should be remembered as an example for all students that no matter your economic background or skin color you can achieve success in the current educational system. Another reason to change the name would be the money it would save. The cost to fully rename W-L would be anywhere from $500,000 to $2,000,000 which is funds that could go towards new facilities, equipment, and all around educational enhancement in the county. If we kept the name the same but just changed the logo and the meaning behind “Lee” we would not only save money but also please the people that want Washington-Lee as the name and please the people that want to get rid of Robert E. Lee’s racist legacy. Overall the name change is a very important part of our school for years to come and it should reflect something more modern and positive to the community while saving money for the county and education. When deciding on the new name please consider Washington (Bruce)- Lee High School.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for your interest and your suggested name change for Washington Lee. One issue about Bruce Lee is to check to see if he has been dead for 5 years since that is one of the criteria for a person being considered to have a school named for them. Check on that! In any case, I have forwarded your suggestion to the renaming committee for their consideration.

Thanks for your interest and your creative suggestion!
Comments: Light Horse Harry

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Aidan Wrenn-Walz  Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: To the Renaming Committee - As you
consider options for the renaming of not only our high school, but the alma mater of thousands of Washington-Lee
alumni, I ask you to consider rededicating the "Lee" name to not only a Virginian, but an American patriot: Henry
"Light-Horse Harry" Lee III. Henry Lee III (1756-1818) was born in Dumfries, Virginia, roughly an hour car ride away
from Arlington. He graduated from Princeton University (formerly the College of New Jersey) in 1773, returning home
to the Colony of Virginia shortly thereafter. When the Revolution cried out just a few years later, Lee answered the
call, joining a Virginia regiment of the Continental Army as a cavalry officer. Over the years, Lee rose in rank,
beginning as captain and rising to major-general towards the conclusion of his career in the United States Army. In
1779, the Continental Congress presented Lee with the esteemed gold medal for the brave military contributions of
himself and the Legion he so dutifully commanded. In the political sphere, Lee was a Virginia delegate to the
Congress of the Confederation in the late 1780s, where he advocated for the United States Constitution. A short time
after, he became the Ninth Governor of Virginia. To conclude his political career, Lee served as a Virginia
Representative to the United States Congress. Interestingly, Lee maintained a very strong relationship with George
Washington, who was not only a Virginian, an American patriot, and the first President of the United States, but also
the man behind half of our school’s current dedicated name. President Washington called upon Lee to defend his
interests in several events, such as the Whiskey Rebellion of 1794. While Lee was a Representative in Congress, he
delivered part of Washington’s eulogy, famously saying these words about the first President: "First in war, first in
peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen." I think it is important to mention that "Light-Horse Harry” Lee is the
father of Robert E. Lee, to whom our school’s current name is dedicated to. Taking one step back into the Lee family
genealogy, we find an American and Virginian hero, who fought for the United States, and not against her, in the
early years of the creation of our country. I think renaming our school after "Light-Horse Harry” Lee is a very suitable
option for both sides of the debate because the Arlington School Board would be able to avoid a physical name
change on all jerseys, signs and other media, which will significantly shrink the cost of renaming; at the same time,
Arlington can take pride in rededicating our school to an influential Virginian and American figure. In this way, our
county will have the rare opportunity to celebrate both the changing times and the preservation of history. Thanks
for reading. Go Generals!

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views on the renaming of Washington Lee and for your suggestion that
Lightfoot Harry Lee be considered. I am forwarding your suggestion to the renaming committee currently working
on this issue for their consideration.
Again, thanks for your interest and suggestion!!!
Comments: change name

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a student that makes up part of the Washington Lee High School community, I think we should rename the school. This school was founded and named back in 1925. It's understandable that at the time, people wanted to honor and remember General Robert E. Lee, who was one of the greatest Virginian generals. However, our society has come a long way since then. Today, we take the time to not only reflect on our own actions, but the actions of the people who came before us. Although he was a great general, we can't use that as an excuse to overlook the beliefs and values that he fought for—beliefs that we don't share in our present day and society. Washington-Lee High School is portrayed as a multicultural community filled with diversity and differences that we all appreciate and accept. In fact, you can find a variety of clubs dedicated to building a strong community where you are encouraged to form an identity and a connection to your culture and roots. These clubs are open to anyone and everyone who is interested, proving that Washington-Lee is an all-inclusive school. Being a part of this school brings me great joy, however, I believe that the school name does not reflect who we are and what we stand for. Washington Lee High School takes pride in being able to say that it has built up a strong, supportive community.
of diverse students, teachers, and staff. Yet, how can we be truly proud of belonging to a community that’s represented by a person who contributed to the oppression of African American slaves?

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thanks for taking the time to share your views on the renaming of Washington Lee High School. Your message of support will also be shared with the renaming committee currently working on the issue, for their information. Again, thank you for your input and your interest!

E-Mail

Date In: 10/12/2018
Modified: 10/16/2018 - 3:36pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: keep name
Adam Ruff


Comments: keep name

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Adam Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear Principals, Teachers and Members of the Community, The name of Washington Lee High school does not need to be changed. Washington-Lee high school was founded in 1925. It was named after two military generals and fellow Virginians, George Washington and Robert E Lee. These men were a big part of history and my high school, Washington Lee, was named after them. The name of the school shouldn't be changed to try to forget them and who they are. Robert E Lee owned a lot of Arlington, he
was an important part of the community and left a big impact here in Arlington. Changing the name of the school would be expensive, and unnecessary. Changing the name of Washington-Lee would be extremely expensive and a take a lot of effort. The estimated cost for this changing of the name would be around one million dollars which is just too much money. Every single Washington-Lee banded jersey, uniform and piece of equipment would need to get changed. New designs, logos and websites would need to get changed. This would be a waste of money and resources. We do not need to waste money on new things even though the old ones work. The school name is just that, a name. Washington-Lee doesn’t force the students to worship or even agree with George Washington and Robert E Lee. Washington Lee is a school, a place to learn, and the name of the school doesn’t affect that.. A new name would need to be figured out if the name would be changed. Figuring out what the school name would be changed to would be another difficult process. Every single human is flawed so the name could not be changed to a different person. Furthermore, Washington Lee High School was the first high school in all of Arlington to graduate a black student. This shows that a name is just a name and doesn’t reflect the school’s morals. Therefore Changing the name of Washington Lee high school would be illogical and irrational. Sincerely, Junior at Washington Lee Adam

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to share your views and concerns with changing the name of Washington Lee High School. Your message will also be shared with the renaming committee currently working on this issue. Again, we do appreciate your interest and your input!
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Eric Lyngholm-Kjaerby Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The name of this school has been requested to be changed by many members of the community. As a student of this school who likes thinking things through like our IB program tries to exemplify, this feels like a knee jerk reaction and one of the reasons the name of the school should not be changed is the cost and this cost may not be fully understood by many. I want to show how costly this name change would be. Changing the name of the school would be tremendously expensive and would this cost really be justified? But how much would all this really cost? There is no current accurate estimate provided by the county for how much it would cost, but we can look at another high school that already went through the name change, Justice (formerly J.E.B. Stuart) High School. The price tag was $428,000 and that was considered quite low compared to what it might have costed if things had been different. The initial estimate was $800,000 and the price could have reasonably increased to a million if parts of the process such as the change of turf fields ran into large problems. But the cost would be worth it some would say. With that amount of money we could use it on other things that more directly affects academics like 3000 calculators or 460 macbook airs. Considering how the school keeps on growing these things will greatly improve the students performance, while the name change would have minimal effect on student performance. Remember this is money from taxpayers who would feel betrayed that all this money would go into something as superficial as a name when it would be better spent on improving their child’s education.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Eric, thank you for your interest in the renaming process for Washington Lee and, specifically, the costs involved in the change. I will share your message with the renaming committee currently working on this issue, for their information.

Again, thanks for your interest in the renaming process.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name . .  Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear renaming committee, As you may have already guessed I am writing to you about my opinion of the decision of renaming Washington-Lee. The school's name has been in a debate to whether to change the name for a while now. As a student at the school I believe the students should have a say in the decision of changing the schools name. My opinion on the decision of changing the name is that the Washington Lee name should stay the same. The main reason I believe this is because of the cost of changing the name. Would it really be worth all that money to change the school's name? The amount of money needed to change a school name is a lot. Justice High School formerly known as J.E.B. Stuart had an estimated cost of $428,00 to change the name. Washington Lee's cost of changing the name would be more the $420,000 since Washington Lee is a bigger school. You would also have to go through the hassle of changing sports uniforms, repaint the field, and rebrand all the school products and walls. Also, most of the money to rename the school would probably come from taxpayer money and maybe some taxpayers don’t want their money going into changing a schools name. Previously named J.E.B. Stuart only received $43,000 in contributions to change the name that is only a small part of the money the school needed to rename it. The money could go to better use such as getting new desks or laptops. Other than that there should be a voting poll or a survey for the students and staff to get their opinion on a name change. Hearing the opinion of all the students and staff instead of a group of people would be beneficial to see if the students and staff attending the school would want the name to change. Overall I think that all the money and hassle needed to change the name is not worth it and the name should stay the same. Sincerely, W-L student

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for your interest in the renaming process for Washington Lee High School. I will share your e-mail with the renaming committee for their information as they continue their work.
Please know we do appreciate all input on this important issue!

Again, thanks

Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: change WL

Name Logan Rowland Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: To: Washington-Lee High School Renaming Committee Our community has been split over the topic of the name of Washington-Lee High School. I know you have probably received many suggestions and differing viewpoints about how this situation should be handled. I am writing to express my opinion as a current junior at WL. I hope my thoughts do not become just some words lost in the sea of rhetoric. First of all, the current name should be discussed. Many people have become so used to hearing the name that they have built up an immunity to it. We no longer think of Washington-Lee as the people who the names come from, we think of it as something completely its own. We hear the words, but do not listen to their meaning. We do not question what impact this name has on the thoughts surrounding our institution and students. However, this is exactly what we must do: question what this means for us. Who were Washington
and Lee and what do they represent in this school? Both of these men were important figures in our history who did commendable things that should not be forgotten. However, they also had their flaws. Are we prepared to accept them entirely to represent who we are as a diverse, freethinking community? When you allow other people to embody who you are, you cannot pick and choose which parts of their legacy you represent. You must be willing to accept every action they took. Are we willing to do this? Are we willing to show our African American students that we support lifelong slaveholders? Are we willing to show our students of color that we believe in white supremacy? Are we not showing female students that they should accept disenfranchisement, because men will not recognize this or support them? We have to recognize that these are complicated historical figures and weigh their impact on us. In the APS PIP F-6.1, it says in order to name a school after a person, their legacy must align with the core values of Arlington Public Schools. Do these men really represent the core values that we hold dear? For these reasons, I think the best option would be to rename the school. I do, however, understand that this is a fragile issue and must be handled carefully to prevent further conflict. I think that you should seek inspiration from something outside of a historical figure. Every person has done good and bad things in their life and someone is bound to take offense from them, no matter who they are. Each person has differing beliefs, so to create the least amount of tension, remove the impact of a person’s actions and history. With these points in mind, I implore you to consider what is the best for the future of our school and our community as a whole. Thank you, Logan Rowland

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Logan, thank you for taking the time to express your support for changing the name of Washington Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee currently working on this issue for their information.

Again, we do appreciate your interest and your input on this important issue.
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The name of this school has been requested to be changed by many members of the community. As a student of this school who likes thinking things through like our IB program tries to exemplify, this feels like a knee jerk reaction and one of the reasons the name of the school should not be changed is the cost and this cost may not be fully understood by many. I want to show how costly this name change would be. Changing the name of the school would be tremendously expensive and would this cost really be justified? But how much would all this really cost? There is no current accurate estimate provided by the county for how much it would cost, but we can look at another high school that already went through the name change, Justice (formerly J.E.B. Stuart) High School. The price tag was $428,000 and that was considered quite low compared to what it might have costed if things had been different. The initial estimate was $800,000 and the price could have reasonably increased to a million if parts of the process such as the change of turf fields ran into large problems. But the cost would be worth it some would say. With that amount of money we could use it on other things that more directly affects academics like 3000 calculators or 460 macbook airs. Considering how the school keeps on growing these things will greatly improve the students performance, while the name change would have minimal effect on student performance. Remember this is money from taxpayers who would feel betrayed that all this money would go into something as superficial as a name when it would be better spent on improving their child's education.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Eric, thank you for sharing your views about the name change process currently underway for Washington Lee. I will forward your message to the renaming committee working on this issue, for their information.

Again, we appreciate your interest and your input on this issue!
Dear School Rename Committee,

My name is Alya Lawindo, a junior at Washington-Lee High School. Recently, there’s been a controversial situation of renaming our school. I find it difficult to truly name a school based on a historical figure since each individual has had a past that not everyone can accept. Although not everyone may agree, a name change that doesn’t involve any historical figure and is non-controversial that truly represents us as a school is necessary. As you consider the options for renaming the school, I ask you to consider renaming the school that doesn’t involve a figure. In an article titled, Why Your Name Matters by Maria Konnikova, the author mentions the implicit-egotism effect, or essentially, how we are generally drawn to the things and people that most resemble us and how names send signals about who we are and where we come from. Part of our name refers to Robert E. Lee since he symbolizes the school’s mascot of ‘a general’. Robert E. Lee was considered a racist slave owner who discriminated against African Americans. What he fought for is unacceptable and has brought many people from the minority community to find our school’s name offensive and initiate a debate arguing for a name change. Lee wanted to strengthen white supremacy and opposed racial equality as he was the commander for the Confederates. I believe Washington-Lee as a whole is able to distinguish itself apart from what Robert E. Lee was as an individual. If we do not support Confederate values, why is our school name Washington-Lee? Sincerely, Alya Lawindo

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you, Alya, for your message explaining the reasons you support a name change for Washington Lee High School. I will share your message, including your suggestion to avoid a person’s name, with the current renaming
committee.
Again, thanks for your interest and your suggestion.

E-Mail
Date In: 10/12/2018
Modified: 10/16/2018 - 3:10pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: keep name

Status: Closed E-Mail 10/16/2018 Viewed: Not viewed Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)
Salutation: FRIEND -
Activity: Msg: 0 Open, 24 Recent

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Subject: Engage with APS

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Yesenia Andrade
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions:
Growing up, I have attended an elementary, middle, and high school named in dedication to powerful and significant figures, whom have helped shape and create our nation. Considering its background, the name Washington-Lee holds a significant amount of importance. Robert E. Lee’s background may be flawed in its own ways, but to overcome them we must confront them. The name of my high school does not celebrate the failings of these men. Instead, it overcomes the stigma of its name and has contributed great things to its community by breaking barriers, such as racial segregation. Washington-Lee High School holds a great number of milestones in its name, which includes being one of the first high schools in Virginia to admit and graduate a black student. Taking away its name, that it’s held for over fifty years, would be depriving it of its legacies. I am a student that believes that as we stray further from
historical events, we develop new understandings of them. As our generation develops, we crave more and more change, which deviates us from the righteousness of our past. Changing the name of this high school would put a dent on the armor that history has established for us today and the future, because, as Winston Churchill once said: “Those who fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it.” Yesenia Andrade Washington-Lee High School

Outgoing

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

Thanks, Yesena, for taking the time to express your views on the current process to change the name of Washington Lee high School. I will share your views with the renaming committee currently working on this issue, for their information and consideration.

Again, thanks for your interest in this issue!

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**E-Mail**

**Date In:** 10/12/2018

**Modified:** 10/16/2018 - 2:41pm

**Issue:** ENGAGE: WL SUPPORT - Support WL Name Change

**Subject:** Engage with APS

**Comments:**

Ms. Alya Lawindo

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**Status:** Closed E-Mail 10/16/2018

**Viewed:** 10/16/2018

**Assigned:** Meg Tuccillo

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

**Response:** Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)

**Salutation:** FRIEND -

**Campaign:** Engage with APS

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**Incoming**

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Name Alya Lawindo 

indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:

Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear School Rename Committee, My name is Alya Lawindo, a junior at Washington-Lee High School. Recently, there’s been a controversial situation of
renaming our school. I find it difficult to truly name a school based a historical figure since each individual has had a past that not everyone can accept. Although not everyone may agree, a name change that doesn't involve any historical figure and is non-controversial that truly represents us as a school is necessary. As you consider the options for renaming the school, I ask you to consider renaming the school that doesn't involve a figure. In an article titled, Why Your Name Matters by Maria Konnikova, the author mentions the implicit-egotism effect, or essentially, how we are generally drawn to the things and people that most resemble us and how names send signals about who we are and where we come from. Part of our name refers to Robert E. Lee since he symbolizes the school's mascot of 'a general'. Robert E. Lee was considered a racist slave owner who discriminated against African Americans. What he fought for is unacceptable and has brought many people from the minority community to find our school's name offensive and initiate a debate arguing for a name change. Lee wanted to strengthen white supremacy and opposed racial equality as he was the commander for the Confederates. I believe Washington-Lee as a whole is able to distinguish itself apart from what Robert E. Lee was as an individual. If we do not support Confederate values, why is our school name Washington-Lee? Sincerely, Alya Lawindo

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for sharing your views on the current renaming process for Washington Lee. I will forward your message, including your reference to Your Name Matters by Maria Konnikova, to the renaming committee working on this issue.

Again, thanks for your input.

Comments: change name
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Zahira

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: To rename the school or not to rename the school? The debate of whether or not the name Washington-Lee should be change is one that has caused much controversy on all sides. The Washington-Lee community has been and is made up of many different backgrounds and peoples for years. Renaming the school has been a long and hard process because we must consider everyone’s opinion on this. The foundation of Washington-Lee was not what it once was, we have grown as a community and as individuals, we have changed our values as we learn about the world and each other. As we can see with the ownership of slaves that both Washington and Lee had, and though we no longer hold these values, moving away from this part of American history is a step in the right direction. Washington-Lee has grown as a community and our values have changed, we live in a new era, and the environment around us should reflect that. As stated above, both G. Washington and R.E. Lee owned slaves during their lifetime. According to some sources, Lee treated his slaves much better than other slave owners. Although, considering the time period, that was a good thing it still doesn’t serve as a means to justify his actions. None of us, except for Lee, can indepthly speak on the topic of him owning slaves because we don’t know what his thought process was, the same goes for Washington. We must take into account their actions, not the what if’s of the situation. Their success as American figures and leaders doesn’t outweigh their mistreatment of others. Renaming Washington-Lee is an important step to move past the values that once defined America. Although we as a community don’t hold these values anymore, the 1920’s, when the school was built, was not the same society that we know today. The root of the school’s name comes from acknowledging two influence men while overlooking the tragedies of their actions. It’s important to set an example for students and the community about doing the right thing. Like mentioned before, although we don’t hold these values, the actions of our founding fathers still affect our society today and we must not let their actions hinder our prosperity. As a society we’ve come very far, but as we can see, the fight is not over. It’s our duty to better our community and learn and continue to evolve. This decision is going to take much time, but we must take into account what we value now and where we want to be years from now as a people.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you, Zahira, for your comments supporting the name change for Washington Lee currently underway. I will forward your message to the naming committee working on this issue for their information and consideration.

Again, thanks for you8r interest and your input on this important issue!
Name Sydney Fisher  Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:

Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear Naming Committee, I am a junior at Washington-Lee high school, and strongly disagree with the decision to change the name of my school. The name Washington-Lee is historical and taking it away would be trying to erase history. Having "Lee" included in our name doesn't mean we agree with or support General Lee's beliefs. Our school has many important accomplishments that overshadow the men for which it was originally named. Even though our nation's history is flawed, we need to accept it and move forward. It is important to learn from the past and show how far we have come as a community. If we take the name away, I fear history will repeat itself. Washington-Lee has broken through many racial barriers in the past, regardless of having "Lee" in the name. We have shown diversity and community in our school. Thomas Hafer wrote in a recent Washington Post article, "Washington-Lee was the first high school in Virginia to admit black students; Washington-Lee was the first high school to graduate a black student, Stephen Thompson, in 1960; and it was the first school to have an integrated basketball team win a state championship, in 1966. The name of Washington-Lee High School is inextricably linked with these milestones of racial justice in Virginia. The school board’s decision disregards and destroys this legacy." This is very important to understand and take into consideration. The cost of renaming our school would be incredibly expensive and a poor use of taxpayer money. Fairfax county officials estimated it would cost anywhere from $400,000 to $1,000,000 to change the name of J.E.B Stuart high school. Some changes would include repainting logos all around the school including on the turf and...
scoreboard, hiring a graphic designer to create a new logo, changing the information listed on all APS websites, changing the designs of jerseys and merchandise, and so much more. The money spent on changing the name could be used to purchase over 3,000 calculators or over 400 macbooks for students. We need to get our priorities straight and focus on a more productive way to spend already limited school funds. History isn’t perfect and we have to learn from our past, not erase it. I reject General Lee’s beliefs, but am proud of my school and my community. I think changing the name of Washington-Lee needs to be reconsidered.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your opinions about the renaming of Washington-Lee High School. As you may know, the board has made the decision to appoint a renaming committee on this issue and I am forwarding your message to the committee for their information.

Again, thanks for your interest and your input.

E-Mail

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Comments: change WL

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Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear school renaming committee, As a student at Washington-Lee, I believe we should change the school name or at least the meaning of it. When Washington-Lee was founded in 1925, they decided on the name based on the positive actions made by these two people. They did not focus on the negative aspects their names would cause, but rather celebrating their contributions to society. Both men were revered as excellent generals in times of war, and in particular Robert E. Lee, is responsible for the land on which Arlington County was built. However, what the original founders of the school failed to consider was that Washington and Lee were both slave owners. In addition, Lee treated them more harshly and even discriminated against African Americans. The board should have considered the inevitable backlash that Lee’s actions would cause. It is even more ironic that this name reflects a former slave owner and racist, when W-L was the first school to let African Americans attend. During the time the school was named, people still did not care about others who were not their own race and it was accepted as a social norm. In today’s society people get offended when they get discriminated, and rightfully so. Even though people still get discriminated against today, we have come a long way in protecting and respecting the rights and feelings of individuals who are different from us. A school’s name should reflect this progress towards acceptance and tolerance. A potential option for renaming the school could be to consider keeping the last names but, changing the primary person who it represents. For example, Robert E. Lee’s father was an American patriot and in the military, he is equally worth recognizing in the school name, and has less of a shaded history. There was a school in Mississippi named after confederate figure, Jefferson Davis that received a great amount of backlash so, they decided to rename it after President Obama. This name change received support from many people and even made them proud to have the school named after the first black president. It would be less expensive to change the meaning behind the last names, and honor different people. However, many schools today have changed their names for controversial reasons behind the person’s name and have had great successes. I hope you take these reasons into consideration when applying a new name to our school. Sincerely, a junior at W-L

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views on the renaming process for Washington Lee. I am forwarding your message to the current renaming committee working on possible names for consideration.

Again, thanks for your interest and your views.
Comments: keep WL

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

Name India Riddle com Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear Renaming Committee, How
would you feel if all your accomplishments were suddenly wiped away, along with your name? I would assume not
very good, I personally, would feel terrible; that’s how the legacy of Washington-Lee would feel if you change the
name. Although, yes, the name is named after two slave Owners, we pushed past that and their ideas and made this
school legacy our own. Washington-Lee High School was the first school in Virginia to admit black students, which
led them to be the first school to graduate a black student, Stephen Thompson. Yes, the people who the school's
named after aren't the best, but the school's legacies outweigh the negative connotations of the name. In my
experience at Washington-Lee, I’ve come to see that we have come past the somewhat contemptible, controversial
topics of the name. We've opened people with open arms, which it is not, to say the least about Robert E. Lee and
George Washington. I've enjoyed my time as a Washington-Lee General, I'm proud to be one, and I'd like to
graduate as one. Just because our history is flawed, doesn't mean we can just erase it all together and delete
everything we've come to do.

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for sharing your views on the current process aimed at renaming Washington-Lee High School. I am
sharing your message with the renaming committee currently working on this issue for their information as well.
Again, thanks for your input.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Sylvie Mortimer com Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Hello... I am in the camp of changing the name, but at minimal cost. I think we should stick with W-L and keep the W as Washington and go with either Lincoln, Lafayette or Loving for the L. Lafayette would allow the school to keep the mascot as a General. Loving would pay homage to the court case that legalized inter racial marriage. (Loving v. Virginia, 388 U.S. 1, is a landmark civil rights decision of the United States Supreme Court which struck down all state laws banning interracial marriage) Lincoln would be an obvious choice. Those are my thoughts for now... I’d rather not see a ton of money spent on new signage, uniforms, etc. but I guess if the cost were not exorbitant to change more than the "L" names with the renaming committee for their information and consideration. Thanks!

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for your interest in the current process to rename Washington-Lee high School. I will share your suggested "L" names with the renaming committee for their information and consideration. Again, thanks for your input!
E-Mail

Date In: 10/13/2018
Modified: 10/16/2018 - 3:58pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: suggest poll students
Ms. Karen Hildebrand

No postal address available

Status: Closed E-Mail 10/16/2018 Viewed: Not viewed
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Responses: Customized Engage Default Format v.3 Include history Salutation: FORMAL - Ms. Hildebrand

Comments: suggest poll students

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Karen Hildebrand Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I don't support the renaming, but I am open to what the current students think. It is their school/their legacy. Is there going to be a survey to the current students? They are the next generation to be an active part of the community. I would love if they had an equal say.

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the current process to rename Washington Lee high School. As you may know, there is currently and appointed renaming committee, including representative of current students, working on this issue and I will forward your message for their information as well. Again, thank you for your interest in this important issue!
Name John Peck Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Historical Notes on Washington-Lee High School for the "Renaming Committee" — John Peck, W-L class of '96 and volunteer school historian

During the June 7th vote to change the name of Washington-Lee High School (W-L) the School Board tacitly allowed for the consideration of retaining the "Washington-Lee" name, however redefined, i.e., no longer in honor of Robert E. Lee. I spoke with board members to ensure this would be a possibility, once I learned of the board’s impending decision to drop Robert E. Lee from the name. This document is in two parts. The first highlights the importance of the school’s history to the discussion over changing the school’s name. The second part addresses the school’s almost 100 year legacy, one that we can all take pride in. (I’ll be overseas the next couple of weeks, but may follow up with other interesting W-L highlights when I return.)

I. W-L’s History

Many W-L alumni who are heartbroken over the June vote to retire the old name hope that the committee will come to a thoughtful compromise that retains the name for for continuity with the school’s inspiring legacy. There are of course many others that want the decision reversed and Robert E. Lee to remain. As W-L’s volunteer historian since I was a student, I hope to provide the committee members with information on the school’s history, including its founding in 1925, its earliest years, and its legacy. I believe a baseline understanding of the school’s past is important to any discussion over the fate of the school’s name, and whether or not to retain the name as a compromise, or adopt an entirely new one. Please refer to W-L’s excellent timeline history website to acquaint yourself with the school’s history. What makes W-L special can be summed up in the website’s intro: "The brief history below and the adjacent historical timeline illustrate the last 92 years of innovation and continuity at W-L. W-L’s guiding principles through the decades can be summed up by this phrase from one of W-L’s most beloved teachers: 'FOVEAT DIVERSITATES’ Cherish the differences — Mabel Allen, W-
L faculty from 1924-1968.” W-L History and Timeline Website: https://washingtonlee.apsva.us/about-us/w-l-history-in-brief/ *If using a smartphone, please be sure to press the menu icon to see the links to the various years and the school archives. The school’s historical marker also provides a good, brief summary of the school’s history. One main theme resonates throughout W-L’s history: diversity. Mabel Allen’s quote on diversity is enshrined in a plaque in the W-L Alumni Conference Room. Since the school’s earliest years students hailed from other states and countries. W-L was not a Confederate themed school, nor was it 100% "white." The W-L history website offers a glimpse into that early period in the school’s history. The 1949 school yearbook devoted a spread to its international population and took pride in students from as far away as Asia, Europe, and Latin America. Some of these students took leadership roles in student government and extracurriculars. In the 60s, W-L became a model for other schools throughout the state, not only for its academic and athletic achievements as one of the nation’s best high schools, but for its leadership in racial integration in the 60s. The school’s first Black Studies course, one of the first such courses in the nation, was offered at W-L. My former AP Government teacher in the mid-90s, Mrs. Peggy Jeens, taught that class in the 60s. Charles Augins one of the W-L five who integrated the school wrote me, “In 1959, along with Joyce Strothers, Warren Hunter, Stephen Taylor, Louis Costley and Myself we walked into W-L with great fear and trepidation. For us it was a historic moment and as such should remain a part of HISTORY.” He wants the name to stay the same. II. W-L’s Legacy My second objective is to convey to the renaming committee why the school’s name is so important to members of the community of all ages and backgrounds. This is reflected in the many institutions and traditions that have supported the school over the years. In addition to my volunteer role as the school’s historian, I have served as a board member on the Washington-Lee High School Education Foundation which has helped forge ties between alumni and the school to raise scholarship money for graduating seniors and faculty fellowships. Prior to the events in Charlottesville, I worked with the Washington-Lee High School Alumni Association to design and raise money for a historical marker for the school, to inspire students ahead of the school’s upcoming 100 year anniversary. Unfortunately, the future of the completed marker is in limbo due to the renaming process. Finished over one year ago, it has not been installed. Many other projects such as the Athletic Hall of Fame and the proposed Alumni Hall of Fame face an uncertain future. Alumni have given back in myriad ways over the decades through mentoring students, supporting school initiatives, and spreading the the school’s reputation across the globe. W-L has engendered much love and support over the years. This is visible to anyone who walks down the school’s main corridor past displays that depict the school’s history and in the Alumni Conference Room, where plaques to past teachers and a recently restored mural to John F Kennedy by a 1965 alum, now a renowned artist, is proudly displayed. On a recent weekend visit to W-L, I met a 1978 alum who stopped by W-L with his wife to reminisce over his high school years. He was a standout soccer player on the school’s soccer team, a program that drew strength from the diversity of the student body in the 60s and 70s. I plan to nominate him for the W-L Athletic Hall of Fame, likely the school’s first Latino nominee for this honor. I trust that the historical information herein will make a case that while there is much to learn from the school’s history—the challenges it overcame as a reflection of national and local issues and the stories of students and alumni—it paints an inspiring picture, one that encouraged me and countless others to excel as a student, and later, in my career. That legacy is priceless and the reason so many alumni have given back to the school throughout its history, and also why so many are heartbroken over a possible name change. The following are three ideas for the "Washington-Lee” name discussed among alumni and other community members: 1. Washington-Lee without any changes, taking into consideration the Washington & Lee University discussion over its name. This could include a discussion over imagery and symbols that are displayed in the school. Note that W-L is named after the university. 2. Washington-Lee in honor of no one in particular, and
simply redefined in honor of the school’s legacy, the inspiring story of generations of students, staff, and community members. 3. Washington-Lee with a replacement Lee. Local Lees that should be considered include Light Horse Harry Lee, Richard Henry Lee (who is honored by multiple schools across the country), and Col. E Brooke Lee, a WWI hero and Washington, DC native. He is the great-great grandson of Richard Henry Lee.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Good to hear from you, John! I am forwarding your e-mail that includes helpful history of W-L to Linda Erdos to have available for the current renaming committee’s information.
Good luck on your overseas trip!
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to suggest some possible names to consider as part of the current renaming process. I am sharing your suggestions with the renaming committee for their consideration. Again, thank you for your input.

Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: change

Subject: Engage with APS
Name G F Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Should we change our school name on the sole fact that we feel as if that we are "in a way" honoring the fact that Robert Lee was a slave owner and racist. The sad fact is that this itself is a flawed way of thinking and a dangerous one; these people are blind to context. Many people see a problem with our name, which is understandable. I have no problem with this argument. He was a: slave owner, monster, and brutally savage man. He did fight for slavery. All of these are valid points for a decent counter-argument to mine, but to say if we carry a simple last name we’re paying respect to him, you’re the type of person we should be feared. Being in a loving school that introduced me to so many cultures, to so many kids my age from
different background was truly a new experience, and one of the best ones of my life. To say that we’re honoring a man like him, a man that kidnapped freed slaves, and chained them to their living hell, many of which wanted death or freedom, fully knowing that freedom was rarely given to people of their stature, is truly an insult. The school that I love, is not one which would knowingly support people who defended slavery. Washington-Lee High School hates the fact that he was a racist. We are not okay with this fact. We are not okay with the fact that he had slaves or the fact that he kidnapped freed slaves. Our school is very vocal about this. We’ve never been this vocal on any other issue. You also have to look at our context. When Virginians did not see African-Americans as equals, we took the initiative to let African-Americans into our school, while other still practiced and promoted segregation. We were the first to have the gumption to stop racism in our school system. How are we promoting racism with how progressive we are? We are not paying homage to Robert E. Lee. We would not pay respect to a man who beat and discriminated against other human beings. You have to look at our context. You have to not just look at our name just as another name that needs to change, but a name with history. You have to look at Washington-Lee High School.

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the need to change the name of Washington Lee High School. Your message is being shared with the appointed naming committee currently working on their charge to develop recommendations for the School Board.

Again, thank you for your interest and input on this important issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Kristin Murphy

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please keep the name WL. If you want to get rid of Lee, make it Lincoln. At some point we need to consider the financial implications of renaming a school that people will continue to call WL. I’d rather see our taxpayer dollars go towards seats for students, not a full renaming of a high school. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your interest in this issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Spout Run High School, since the school sits on Spout Run, with "Stonecutters" as the team names. The Arlington Historical Society has records of stonecutters working quarries at the mouth of Spout Run (which used to be a waterfall -- thus the name). Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

None

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E-Mail

Date In: 10/21/2018
Modified: 10/21/2018 - 7:41pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: We Are Against the Proposal to Change the Name of Washington-Lee High School
Comments: no change WL
Mr. and Mrs. Suzy Bohnert

Status: Closed  E-Mail 10/21/2018 Viewed: 10/21/2018  Assigned: Meg Tuccillo  Subject: Re: We Are Against the Proposal to Change the Name of Washington-Lee High School  Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)  Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. and Mrs. Bohnert

Comments: no change WL

Incoming

Subject: We Are Against the Proposal to Change the Name of Washington-Lee High School

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Dear Sir or Madam:

We are against the proposal to change the name of Washington-Lee High School. Arlington takes its name from Lee's
estate. Should we change the name of the county, too? We think this a misguided effort by county politicians who should focus on much more pressing issues.

Do we need to remind you of the School Board’s stated priorities? This information below taken directly from a press release:

"The School Board approved its priorities for the 2017-18 school year at last night’s meeting. The School Board establishes annual priorities to assist in keeping the Board’s work focused, effective and aligned with its Strategic Plan goals.

"This year, the School Board’s priorities will focus on four areas, which include:

* New Policies and Policy Revisions that address the 1:1 technology initiative, inclusion practices, and additional updates on options and transfers; * Operational Planning to develop the new 2018-24 Strategic Plan; determining the FY 2019-28 Capital Improvement Plan, and building a sustainable budget that supports the whole child and maintains excellence in classroom instruction; * Preparation for New Schools and Program Moves that will require elementary and middle school boundary adjustments when new schools are opened, and the relocation of the Montessori Program; * Capital Initiatives to plan for future growth at the Career Center, Education Center, and the Reed Building. * Community Engagement that focuses on supporting and empowering teachers and staff, and strengthening school, family and community relationships."

Do we need to remind you of what happened in another community when it sought a name change for a local high school? This information below taken directly from WTOP Radio: Fairfax Co. pleads for money to help fund J.E.B. Stuart $1M name change [https://wtop.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/nick_iannelli-112x112.jpg] By Nick Iannelli <https://wtop.com/author/nick-iannelli/> | @NickWTOP<https://twitter.com/NickWTOP>November 3, 2017 5:10 am

"WASHINGTON — Fairfax County Public Schools, the largest public school system in the D.C. region, is asking for financial donations to help cover the substantial costs associated with renaming J.E.B. Stuart High School in Falls Church, Virginia.

"Following a vote to rename the school<https://wtop.com/fairfax-county/2017/10/fairfax-co-school-board-votes-new-name-j-e-b-stuart-high/> last week, county officials set up a website<https://www.fcps.edu/justice>, asking people to send in money.

"So far, the effort has generated more than $8,000.

"Officials said any donations will help with name-change expenses, which otherwise would need to be covered
entirely by county taxpayers.

"The full cost of changing the school’s name is expected to be somewhere around $1 million."

As parents of a W-L student and Arlington taxpayers, we are against the proposal to change the name of Washington-Lee High School.

Sincerely,

Suzy and Randall Bohnert

Outgoing

Subject: Re: We Are Against the Proposal to Change the Name of Washington-Lee High School
Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.
Again, thank you for your interest in this issue.

Comments: keep wl
Incoming

Subject: WL renaming

I really disagree with the idea of re-naming WL and feel like it was decided in haste and without proper input. I think the name should not be changed as it in no way glorifies slavery and is not offensive in and of itself but rather a recognition of two well known generals from our history.

What a waste of time and energy to re-name the school. If it has to be changed, it should stay close enough to its current name to not require huge changes.

Amy Weinhouse

Outgoing

Subject: Re: WL renaming

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current renaming process for W-L. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input.
Comments: Keep L with diff name

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Marcy Gessel  

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am the parent of a W-L freshman. I do not have strong feelings about changing the name, but I do think that any change should maintain the initials W-L. Washington-Lafayette or Washington-Lincoln, for example, would be fine. I know that many alumni of the school are strongly against a change. My chief concern is that the cost of the change be kept minimal so that the money can be directed into educating the students and reducing overcrowding at the school. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current renaming process for W-L. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input.
Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Nancy Benton Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Hi! I have two current students at W-L. My main suggestion is that we try to keep the W-L and the Washington, and just find a new name for the L. Perhaps Lincoln? Washington-Lincoln High School is one suggestion. I believe keeping the Washington, and keeping the W-L as the short name for the high school, would make alums happier about not making a huge name change. Thanks! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the current renaming process for W-L. Your suggestions will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration. Again, thank you for your input.
Comments: Wisdom and Liberty

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

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Name allison kennett. Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I'd suggest ditching the historical figures and use Wisdom and Liberty High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

Current Parent

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message and suggestion will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Anne Nichols

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The name should not be changed.
Keep Washington - Lee as the name of the high school. Which of the following best describes your relationship to
APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High
School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their
information.
Again, thank you for your input.
Name Denise Parks

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: This is an absurd! At a minimum this will cost $500,000 yet the PTA is soliciting funds to help teachers get what they need in the classroom, there isn’t enough money to fund certain educational programs and more? A recent poll of 27 W-L families sitting together for an event - all thought renaming was ludicrous. Another poll at a neighborhood block party felt the same. This was a pet project for a handful of people but is not the will of the majority. Until an accurate poll of parents, students and alumni is taken and until full transparency of all the costs this change will incur then it is irresponsible to move forward with a project that will cost tax payers hundreds of thousands of dollars. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Pete Nelson  

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L 

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I suggest renaming it after Denzel Washington and Bruce Lee 

Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? 

Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message and suggestion will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the our interest in this issue.

Again, thank you for your input.

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Alem Bantayehu

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with.
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The estimate of money spent on renaming WL can pay the salary for 10-15 classroom assistants for one year. I am confident the family of a special education student, if given the choice, will prefer keeping assistants over renaming a school. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Staff
Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the our interest in this issue. Again, thank you for your input.

Incoming

Subject: WL
This is a misguided project to erase history. Bad idea. Henry Riordan

Outgoing

Subject: Re: WL
Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the our interest in this issue. Again, thank you for your input.
Hello,

I would like to suggest that the new name be Washington Lafayette. That way the W-L and Generals monikers would not have to change, along with the mascot.

Thank you, Edith Lane Current parent

Sent from my iPhone
As a parent of a current W&L student I believe this issue has been rushed into committee with little participation from the community at large. However since I foresee the renaming of our beloved school as inevitable, as a compromise I would suggest keeping the initials W&L and making the "L" stand for Lincoln, whose legacy is above reproach. Thank you, -Bill Santry

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message and your suggestion will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the our interest in this issue.

Again, thank you for your input.
**E-Mail**

**Date In:** 10/21/2018  
**Modified:** 10/21/2018 - 9:10pm  
**Issue:** ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change  
**Subject:** Engage with APS  
**Comments:**  
Ms. Elizabeth Emanue  
No postal address available

**Status:** Closed  
**E-Mail 10/21/2018**  
**Viewed:** Not viewed  
**Assigned:** Meg Tuccillo  
**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
**Response:** Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)  
**Salutation:** FORMAL - Ms. Emanue

**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Elizabeth Emanuel Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The renaming of Washington Lee is a complete waste of tax payer dollars. There is no correlation between renaming the school and higher student performance. The supposed outrage is overplayed. By the logic used by this committee, we should be taking down the Washington monument, Jefferson Memorial and demolishing the Lee Mansion. All critical parts of who we are as a nation regardless of how uncomfortable the history may be for some folks. The only lesson that you are teaching the youth of today is to rewrite history when you don't like it. Shame on you. The school board should focus on the root cause of school overcrowding; pursuing the renaming of Washington Lee screams that the School Board is easily distracted from the real issues facing the Arlington community. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the our interest in this issue. I
Keep the name the same. If the lawsuit continues against the board, I find it hard to support the board on issues with my children's school in the future when I know teachers do not receive enough funds to buy necessary tools/resources/supplies to teach. Using tax payer's money to fight to continue with name change would not be what, I, as a taxpayer of Arlington county, would want my funds to be used for; funding teachers and programs to have better learning opportunities IN Class is where I want my tax money to go to. Kris, parents of 2 WL students.
Dear W-L Parents:

You most likely know that a committee has been appointed by the Arlington School Board develop a recommendation for a new name for Washington-Lee High School. The committee includes several W-L students, staff and parents. Ideas from the community are welcome, and there are several ways you can share your suggestions through the “Engage with APS” section of the website:

- To find the Washington-Lee Renaming webpage, go to www.apsva.us/engage/
- On the right side under “Let us know what you think!” is the email address engage@apsva.us that all community members may use to email their ideas or comments. All emails sent to this email address will be shared with all of the renaming committee members. - Under the email address is a link to the “Online Feedback Form” page where all meeting minutes and materials will be posted.

If you have one or more suggested names and want to share them, please try to post your comments by Friday, October 26, so all of the comments can be printed and shared with the committee members before our next meeting.

To assist you, here is a link to the new School Naming Policy which includes the criteria for school names.

We look forward to hearing from you,

The Members of the Washington-Lee Renaming Committee
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**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Fwd: A Message from the W-L Renaming Committee

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your interest in this issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Chase Hildebrand

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions:

As a current student, I don't want the name changed. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Student

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current process to rename Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your interest in this issue.
Ms. Krista O'Connell
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Status: Closed  
E-Mail: 10/21/2018  
Viewed: 10/21/2018  
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo  
Subject: Re: Engage with APS  
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include History)  
Salutation: FORMAL - Ms. O'Connell

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a community member that lives near W-L, I support the renaming of W-L. We should not honor our Confederate past and should instead pick a name that reflects the diversity of Arlington. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views about the current renaming process for W-L. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the board for their information.
Again, thank you for your input.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Shireen Dodini Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am disappointed that APS is just now asking for community feedback, after it decided to rename the school in a hurried vote at the June school board meeting. This feels disingenuous and very much “after the fact.” That being said, I hope that the school board is interested the the communities input and not just pushing their own agenda. The purpose of renaming the school is not be be politically correct or push a political agenda. Considering that it is such a historic school with a fabulous history I hope the school board will consider a name with historic significance. My first preference would be that they rename the school after a different Lee- like Henry Lightfoot Lee or another prominent Lee. If this is not an option that I would support a name like Washington- Lincoln (named after two great presidents) because it would preserve the W-L logo and be a relatively easy switch. I really hope and urge the school board- not to give it some generic name- like “justice” highschool. I don’t think these names inspire anyone. They don’t do to a historic school and they feel very patronizing. I hope the school board will be open to more feedback from the community. I’m disappointed to know that the renaming of the oldest High school in Arlington won’t be on the November ballot. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestions for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
My suggestion: Washington-Lee name not change, but instead the two generals in question should be noted revolutionary war hero-Generals George Washington and 'Light horse' Harry Lee. The two most famous Rev War Generals from No. Va.

They are contemporaries, did business together, and both lived here in Northern VA. Lee was also a governor of VA and a congressman. Of course, he was Robert Lee's father.

While he has some negatives, not everybody can be as nearly saintly as Geo. Washington, his career in public service to the country certainly merits public monuments. [http://www.historynet.com/light-horse-harry-lee-overreaching-hero-revolution.htm](http://www.historynet.com/light-horse-harry-lee-overreaching-hero-revolution.htm)

Main objective: retaining the name of W-L to save tens of thousands of dollars avoiding branding costs, better used elsewhere.

-- -Rick Orli W-L parent. p/s/

I feel the debate about dropping RE Lee is over, but, If anyone cares, I would vote for the retention of the current name and the link to G.W. and RE Lee. As a student of military history I know that war leaders' job description includes sacrificing the youth and treasure of the country, and they are a quite brutal bunch for the most part. Did somebody in an earlier generation fool themselves to think that any of them were sweet warm and fuzzy? I don't
think so, anyway, war leaders are also who humanity persistently calls 'Great Men', because sometimes warm and fuzzy just won’t do.

While it is the current generation's right to honor whom we choose, as a historian I feel as certain that we have no right to condemn people who are not of our time, by standards alien to their time and culture. Not just no right, but immature, self-important and ignorant, because we are next to be judged and I predict very poor scores.

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: [SPAM] w-l naming

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestions for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

**E-Mail**

**Date In:** 10/19/2018
**Modified:** 10/22/2018 - 6:20pm
**Issue:** ENGAGE:WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions
**Subject:** Engage with APS
**Comments:** Lincoln

No postal address available

**Status:** Closed E-Mail 10/22/2018

**Viewed:** Not viewed
**Assigned:** Meg Tuccillo
**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

**Response:** Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3

**Salutation:** FORMAL - Mr. Healy

**Comments:** Lincoln

**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Kevin Healy Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming
Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Washington-Lincoln. You drop Lee, save a whole lot of money for all the removing of signs and logos since you only have to take down/repaint/remove the logos and signs that specifically reference "Lee" while keeping all the "W-L" in place. Most people refer to the school as W-L anyway, so that can remain. With Washington and the Civil War president, you can keep the mascot as Generals. Lastly, you swap out a Confederate icon with the leader that pushed through the end of slavery and led the nation through most of the Civil War defeating Lee. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Staff

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestion for the renaming committee's consideration regarding Washington-Lee. I will share your message with them for their information.

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS
Name Daniel Moses Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I'm from the North (Chicago) and when moving
to Virginia I was a little nervous about the historical legacy of slavery and the confederacy. The idea that a school is named after someone who fought to maintain the institution of slavery is, to be frank, really sick to me. Those who are local and have become so indoctrinated to what they've been told by friends and family over the past. I would recommend the name "Generals High School." A healthy compromise that allows everyone involved to have it mean what you want it to mean. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Staff

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestions for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
10th year of teaching social studies at W-L. I would request that the committee be bold in their choice of a name. Yes, this process is controversial and yes, whatever choice you make will divide the community...so your choice should not aim to please everyone as this is an impossible task. I would ask the committee to not steer to what is squishy and comfortable (replacing JEB Stuart with "Justice" comes to mind), but instead chose a person whose qualifications and attributes are worthy of recognition by the diverse group of people that learn and work at W-L. Public institutions and buildings should honor those who have done great things for this country and their community. The committee should strive to select one of the countless people who have sacrificed their time, their effort, or their life for the good and betterment of the public. The person the committee should select to name this school after should also be someone that our diverse student body can be proud of. For far too long our public monuments have been bestowed nearly exclusively to white men, oftentimes with dubious qualifications. I urge the committee to again be bold and choose a figure who not only contributed great things to this community or country but also did so despite of the prejudices and obstacles in their way because of their race, gender, sexual orientation, etc. In conclusion, I again reiterate that the committee should not grasp for a non existent middle way. Your choice should reflect the progressive values of our community, not seek to please reactionaries who will never accept your choice no matter how much you bend to their wishes. Attempting to please everyone is a fool's errand. Instead, look to each other to determine what values our community holds dear and then limit your choices to people who have exemplified the best of what our community and country has to offer. Thank you for your time, and good luck.

Kevin Phillips
Yorktown class of 2004
Washington-Lee Faculty 2009-2018

Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

Current Staff
Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to express your views and suggestions on the approach the renaming committee should take as it works through the process of renaming Washington Lee High School. I will forward your message to them for their consideration.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name William Syring [REDACTED] Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not rename Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the naming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name: Sharon Harris

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:

Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I think that Washington-Lee's name should remain as is. It is part of Arlington history. Some people may think that Lee represents the losing side of the Civil War, but if we look deeper into Lee's history, he was a man of loyalty. He was even a voice in the South to help unify the nation after the war. It feels like we are trying to erase the history that does not make us feel good, but if we erase it, we will not learn from it. Presently, Washington-Lee High School has a name recognition that goes beyond the borders of Arlington. Its name is in many national rankings. If we change it, we will have to rebuild our reputation again. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the naming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Comments: other L names

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Stacy Brasfield Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I invite you to consider renaming Washington-Lee H.S. to Washington-Lewis or Washington Leavitt. Patricia C. Lewis and Jeannie Leavitt are both U.S. Military Generals who have served our country with honor, one as a healthcare leader, and one as a fighter pilot. In her dual role as Chief of the Medical Service Corps, General Lewis was the senior healthcare administrator in the Air Force and responsible for accessions, development and management of 1,100 healthcare administrative professionals in the corps. She retired in 2009. Jeannie Leavitt became the United States Air Force's first female fighter pilot in 1993, and was the first woman to command a USAF combat fighter wing. To rename our school with one of these names honors women in the military and retains our WL acronym and General's Pride. As a science teacher, I also appreciate that Generals can be science-minded, as well. With the Pentagon in Arlington, I love the military connection and the fact that these women represent the Air Force, since General Washington was Army. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Staff

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggested names for the Washington Lee Renaming Committee to consider. You offer some interesting choices and I will forward them to the committee for their information.
Comments: keep name

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Amy Miller Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not change the name of Washington-Lee High School. While I understand some of the concerns, please do not spend valuable money and time on this type of change. Learn from history - move forward and create timeless names for new schools/buildings. Use the money that would be spent on this expensive endeavor in helping to close the achievement gap or a plethora of other valuable services for all children in APS. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Comments: Lincoln

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Mark Golden Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Let’s keep the W&L acronym and rename the school to Washington & Lincoln. Has this suggestion come up a lot I’m guessing?! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestions for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

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Name Douglas Williams

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:

Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I would suggest "Arlington Central High School" as the new name. I would keep the mascot as the Generals. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your suggestion for a new name for Washington-Lee High School. Your suggestion will be forwarded to the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.
Name Sonya Finley  
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L  
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a (former) and current W-L parent whose children have been active in varsity sports and activities, I ask the naming committee to seriously consider options that keep the basic "W-L" mantra, "Generals" as mascots, and the current school colors. This would enable a continuing school identity with which even alum could identify. Specifically, a strong option could be Washington-Lafayette. The Marquis de Lafayette commanded US troops in the Revolutionary War and upon return to France continued to fight for the same ideals for which he fought here. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing  
Subject: Re: Engage with APS  
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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Arbora Johnson Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I strongly support the renaming of W-L. Keeping the W-L seems important to the students (including my son); Washington-Lincoln seems like a reasonable option, but I’m sure there are others. Ditch the Robert E. Lee, keep Washington, keep W-L. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Name Alvis Dunson Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name until the State decides to rename Leesburg, Leesburg Pike, Lee Hwy and many other places with that name. I believe the county is unnecessarily reactive to popular media and culture. I am a black male but understand the military and Virginia history he represents that is not associated with slavery. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.
Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Lisa Blackwell indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Washington- Lincoln Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Barbara Souders .com Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: My suggestion for W-L's new name is
Washington-Lafayette. I choose the “Lafayette” in recognition of General Lafayette, the French military officer who supported America’s fight for independence from England and fought in the American Revolutionary War. If chosen, the W-L initials could still be used, and the mascot could remain as “the Generals.” Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
George Washington. He grew up in Northern Virginia like these students and is a revered leader. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

E-Mail

Date In: 10/22/2018
Modified: 10/23/2018 - 10:56am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: other Lee
Ms. Amy Medrick
No postal address available

Status: Closed E-Mail 10/23/2018 Viewed: 10/23/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)
Salutation: FORMAL - Ms. Medrick

Comments: other Lee

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Subject: Engage with APS

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Name Amy Medrick...

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I think the simplest way to rename Washington-Lee would be to simply change which Lee it is based upon. My favorite would be Richard Henry Lee who put forth the Lee Resolution calling for independence from Great Britain and signed the Declaration of Independence and Washington instead and then you could switch to being the Revolutionaries instead of Generals. You could do
the same with Henry Lee III and, with him, you could even keep the Generals. Or even Samuel Phillips Lee (Robert E. Lee's cousin) who was a Rear Admiral of the United States Navy. In the Civil War, he took part in the New Orleans campaign, before commanding the North Atlantic Blockading Squadron, covering the coastlines and inland waters of Virginia and North Carolina, and finally the Mississippi River Squadron. If you want to change the name entirely, might I suggest naming it after Dorothy Height. She was an amazing administrator and educator who worked as a civil rights and women's rights activist, specifically focused on the issues of African-American women, including unemployment, illiteracy, and voter awareness. She was the president of the National Council of Negro Women for forty years and was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1994 and the Congressional Gold Medal in 2004. She was an amazing lady. Sincerely, Amy Medrick

Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Jim Sheire  Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I submit "Washington-Lafayette" as a name for consideration. General Lafayette played an instrumental role in the American Revolution, a close partner to Washington. As a Frenchman, Lafayette also embodies the enduring international nature of democracy and our society, reflected in the W-L International Baccalaureate program. Lafayette was also a General, in line with the mascot. Lastly, a bonus, the "L" allows Arlington to keep the W-L acronym including in all logos, etc.

Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

E-Mail
Date In: 10/22/2018
Modified: 10/23/2018 - 10:54am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: WL naming
Comments: keep
No postal address available


Comments: keep

Incoming
Subject: WL naming
The school name should be: Washington-Lee

Outgoing

Subject: Re: WL naming
Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.
Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

Subject: Engage with APS
Name Sandee Minovi
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I understand the need to change the name of the school and am in general agreement. I do think, however, that there might be less resistance from the overall
community if we try to keep the "W-L" initials as that's how people refer to the school and school's chant for sports, etc. I'm not sure what the new name might be but keeping the W-L initials might be a good compromise for everyone. Washington-Lincoln? Washington-Liberty? Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestions for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
in the hearts of his countrymen.” By substituting Henry Lee III in the school's name, we'd have a name honoring two respected Revolutionary War generals, and could keep the mascot of Generals. I believe this compromise offers something to people on both sides of this divisive issue. As president of the W-L Education Foundation, I'll add that the majority of our donors are alumni from the classes of the 1940's, '50's and '60's, and to a lesser extent, the '70's. Graduates of later classes donate with much less frequency. In the last few years, we have received bequests from 3 members of classes from the '50's who upon their deaths left the Foundation $10,000, $5,000, and $100,000. This has enabled us to increase the number of student scholarships and faculty fellowships we are awarding annually. Some older donors and faithful contributors have already contacted us to say they will no longer contribute if the school's name is changed. We continue to point out to them that the students from the school will still have need for financial assistance for college, but with a new name, the alumni connection is simply severed. One alumnus told me “it’s as if they are wiping out my past”; While the Foundation can hang on for a couple years by spending down our modest endowment, without that core group of donors, we will eventually not be able to continue. Please give careful and deliberative thought to ways of preserving the name of W-L HS, and thus preserving the rich history and national legacy of the proud accomplishments of this 93 year old high school with its tens of thousands of graduates. Thousands of folks like me are counting on you. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestions for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration. By the way, I hope you and Mark are well and enjoying life!!!

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

Status: Closed E-Mail 10/23/2018
Viewed: Not viewed
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Don Holmes

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I think that “Arlington Central High School” should be considered. Pretty vanilla, sure, but accurate as can be (it’s the school for the center of Arlington & located in the center of Arlington) and “Central” is a stalwart school name all over the country (yet not really in use in around us). Not a very shiny name, but easy enough as it is hard to purely hate, is my thinking. “Generals” can stay as the mascot, I would think. Thanks!! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Susan Jung

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Renaming W-L is a waste of taxpayer money. Surely we have higher priority items to spend our money on. It is also very divisive. Let’s try to move together not try to tear each other apart. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name: June Million

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I lived in Arlington since 1965, three children graduated from W-L, I and most of others I know in Arlington are totally opposed to renaming W-L. Seems the whole initiative was rushed through without Arlington's community engagement. Furthermore it is a giant waste of money in this tight budget year. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

E-Mail

Date In: 10/22/2018
Modified: 10/23/2018 - 10:42am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:
Mr. George Keating

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Keating

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS
George Keating

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:

Naming Process - W-L

William Lee: William Lee has been called "perhaps the most famous enslaved man in America"; at the time of the Revolution by New York Times bestselling author, Kenneth C. Davis, in his book "The Shadow of Liberty: The Hidden History of Slavery, Four Presidents, and FIVE BLACK LIVES." While he is not widely known today, his important relationship with Washington is given extensive coverage in recent major biographies of our first president, including Ron Chernow’s "Washington: A Life." According to the Mount Vernon website: "William Lee arrived at Mount Vernon in 1768, after George Washington purchased him from Mary Lee, a wealthy Virginia widow, for £61.15s.1. Washington also bought William’s younger brother Frank, who went on to serve as a waiter and butler in the household. Both William and Frank were described as “mulatto,” or mixed race, meaning they were probably the sons of an enslaved mother and a white father. For two decades, William Lee accompanied Washington nearly everywhere. As manservant, or valet, Lee assisted his master with myriad tasks, from delivering messages to laying out clothes to tying a silk ribbon around his hair. An excellent horseman who was described as muscular and athletic, Lee also rode in Washington’s beloved fox hunts. William Lee served with Washington throughout the Revolutionary War. He was responsible for organizing the general’s personal affairs, including his voluminous papers, and holding his spyglass. As the attendant to a prominent figure, Lee became a minor celebrity. Postwar visitors to Mount Vernon occasionally sought out the “famed body-servant of the commander-in-chief.” Spending more than seven years in close proximity during the intensity of war seems to have made Washington and Lee’s relationship especially close. The former’s views on slavery shifted significantly during the war, and he emerged with a new found abhorrence of slavery and a commitment to neither buy nor sell slaves and to avoid separating enslaved families. Many factors likely influenced Washington’s evolution, but his close relationship with William Lee may have helped him understand more fully the humanity of those he enslaved. During the Revolution, Lee married a free black woman named Margaret Thomas from Philadelphia. Thomas had worked for Washington’s household as a seamstress and washerwoman. After the war, Lee asked his owner to bring Thomas to Mount Vernon. Although Washington grumbled that he “never wished to see her more,” he acquiesced, noting that he could not refuse his valet’s request “(if it can be complied with on reasonable terms) as he has lived with me so long and followed my fortunes with fidelity.” There is no evidence, however, that Margaret Thomas ever lived at Mount Vernon. Washington’s correspondence notes that she had been in “ill health,” so she may have passed away before or shortly after arrival. In the mid-1780s, William Lee endured several accidents that severely damaged both of his knees. Despite his disability, he insisted on traveling to New York to join Washington in the executive household. When his condition worsened on the journey, he was forced to stop in Philadelphia, where doctors fitted him with a steel brace. Washington’s affection for Lee is clear in correspondence between his secretary and agent in Philadelphia as they conferred on Lee’s situation. Washington’s secretary wrote, “if he is still anxious to come on here the President would gratify him altho’ he will be troublesome. He has been an old & faithful Servt. This is enough for the Presidt to gratify him in every reasonable wish.” Though a determined Lee finally reached New York two months later, it soon became clear that he was no longer physically able to act as Washington’s valet. He was sent back to Mount Vernon and became the estate’s shoemaker, working in the small cobbler shop behind the greenhouse. It is unclear, and perhaps impossible to know, whether Lee’s devotion to Washington stemmed from genuine affection or the desire to
maintain a position of relative privilege within the enslaved community. Washington certainly believed the former. When the retired president died, William Lee was the only slave freed immediately in his will. Washington provided Lee with an annual allowance of $30 for the rest of his life, noting, “this I give him as a testimony of my sense of his attachment to me, and for his faithful services during the Revolutionary War.” Lee remained on the estate until his own death in 1810. He is believed to be buried in the enslaved cemetery at Mount Vernon. Because of William Lee's close association with George Washington, he was frequently included in many contemporary paintings and engravings of Washington. Most notably he was the only other figure in Charles Wilson Peale's 1779 painting "George Washington at Princeton." Since Peale knew Lee from his service in the American army at the battle of Princeton and later visited Lee at Mt. Vernon after Washington's death, his rendering is considered most realistic of all the depictions of Lee. Peale's painting of Washington and Lee hangs in the U.S. Senate. While the Senate website identifies this figure behind Washington as an unidentified American officer, many historians identify the man as William Lee, because he matches the description of Lee found in a number of accounts. However, the most heroic rendering of William Lee was in Thomas Sully's masterwork "Passage of the Delaware" painted in 1819. In this epic work William Lee is depicted on horseback beside Washington in the company of some of the greatest heroes of the American Revolution: Gen. Henry Knox, Gen. Nathaniel Greene, a figure who may be Gen. John Sullivan. Two hundred years ago, Sully placed William Lee at one of the most crucial junctures in our history in this epic painting. It is a timeless work of art that continues to ask the viewer to recognize this African American man for his role as a patriot and hero of the revolution.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William_Lee_(valet)
https://www.senate.gov/artandhistory/art/artifact/Painting_31_00002.htm Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Incoming

Subject: Renaming of W-L

Make it simple and re-name Washington-Lee high school Washington-Lincoln high school. Not only are the initials the same, but two great presidents are honored. Thanks, Nina Pirogov-Bennett

Sent from my iPhone

Outgoing

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
To whom it may concern,

I have preschool aged children and I have been wanting to contribute my voice to the conversation regarding the debate around the change in name of W-L High School. Having moved to the country from Australia in 2009 and moved to Cherrydale in 2012, I've always struggled to explain to our visiting family and friends as to why the local high school was named after the Commander of the Confederacy who fought to protect slave owners in the United States. In our mind, Robert Lee is one of the most significant symbols of the Confederacy. The Confederacy sought to destroy the United States, for which it deserves no honor or respect with having an esteemed school named after its failed leader. The school is responsible for shaping the minds and hearts of Arlington's (the nation's) future leaders and Robert Lee should not continue to be part of their legacy.

My family and I strongly believe that the current school name should be changed. We believe that this reflects the views of the forward thinking residents of Arlington, that the high school currently serves.

Best regards,

Jay

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
E-Mail
Date In: 10/22/2018
Modified: 10/23/2018 - 2:59pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: just Wash suggestion
Ms. Janice Adler
No postal address available

Status: Closed
E-Mail 10/23/2018
Viewed: 10/23/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3
(Salutation: FORMAL - Ms. Adler
Comments: just Wash suggestion

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Janice Adler

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I just want to voice my support for the name change in general. I know there is a cost attached to re-naming and I just want to state that I think standing by important principles are worth the cost even in tough financial times. I would be in favor of keeping "Washington" only. However, I am not in favor of choosing to keep Lee and just pretend we mean some other Lee. That won't do! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Sonali Soneji

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Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I do not think schools or other facilities should be renamed. Let’s try to learn from history instead of erasing it. Use the controversy of the W-L name as a teaching moment, and spend the money on an education/outreach campaign instead. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Comments: keep WL

Incoming
Subject: [SPAM] renaming of Washington Lee

DO NOT think it is wise to spend money on changing the name of the school.

Sally Webster,

*Never too busy for your referrals!*

Outgoing
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Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Mr. Bernard Berne

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Subject: Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I believe that the School Board should retain the name of Washington-Lee (W-L) High School, rather than to affirmatively respond to pressures related to current "political correctness." However, I recommend that, if the name of W-L is to be changed, the new name should be "George Washington Parke Custis High School." George Washington Parke Custis (GWP Custis) was one of the most important people in the history of Arlington County. He was the only grandson of Martha Dandridge Custis Washington, President George Washington's wife. As the "adopted" grandson of George Washington, he was raised at Mount Vernon and was a member of the nation's "first family" when George Washington was President. As an adult, G.W.P. Custis built and named "Arlington House," for which Arlington National Cemetery and Arlington County are named. He preserved George Washington's memorabilia, some of which are now displayed at Mount Vernon and at the Smithsonian Institution's Museum of American History. GWP Custis was an influential person in his time. He wrote a number of plays and delivered orations about George Washington. He was instrumental in the development of the Washington Monument in Washington, D.C. He laid the District of Columbia's stone that still remains within the walls of the Monument. G.W.P. Custis was politically active. He served as a Justice of the Peace and oversaw local elections. He represented Alexandria County (now Arlington County) at the meetings of the Virginia General Assembly that ratified Alexandria County's retrocession from the District of Columbia to the Commonwealth of Virginia. G.W.P. Custis was a liberal in his actions and public statements. He hosted St. Patrick Day's events for Irish immigrants at a time that many in the U.S. resented these new arrivals and opposed their immigration. G.W.P. Custis inherited many of Martha Washington's slaves. He is known to have treated them well and emancipated some during his lifetime. G.W.P. Custis was a
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Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/13/2018 - 2:34pm
Issue: ENGAGE:WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Ms. Robin O'Hara

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Status: Closed E-Mail 11/13/2018
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Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)
Salutation: FORMAL - Ms. O'Hara

member of a society that advocated the abolition of slavery and the establishment of a homeland for freed slaves in Africa. This society's efforts resulted in the creation of the nation of Liberia. His will provided for the emancipation of all of his slaves.

G.W.P. Custis's daughter, Mary, married Robert E. Lee. As a result, G.W.P. Custis was Robert E. Lee's father-in-law. G.W.P. Custis was therefore a link between George Washington and Robert E. Lee. It would therefore be highly appropriate for Arlington Public Schools to rename "Washington-Lee High School" to "George Washington Parke Custis High School" if the School Board decides to rename the school. Unlike some of the people whose names have been proposed to replace the name of W-L High School, G.W.P. Custis was important to the history of Arlington County. His liberal political views resembled those of many who now live in the County. Addendum: I would like to note that, as I informed the School Board at a recent meeting, the Board has erroneously selected a representative of the Lyon Park Civic Association (LPCA) to serve on the W-L Renaming Committee. This was violation of the Board's approved rules for selecting these representatives. Those rules stated that the four neighborhood civic associations nearest to W-L would serve on the Committee. The Buckingham Community Civic Association's (BCCA) boundaries are 0.1 mile closer to W-L than are the boundaries of the LPCA. As the President of the BCCA, I had submitted an application to serve on the Renaming Committee as the BCCA representative in a timely manner. Nevertheless, the School Board voted to place a representative of the LPCA on the Committee, rather than myself or any other BCCA member. This was a travesty, as it deprived BCCA of its right to be represented on the Renaming Committee. It appears that the School Board and its staff were ignorant of the geography of the area near W-L, as maps clearly show that BCCA is closer to W-L than is the LPCA. As the Renaming Committee is still not properly constituted, any recommendations regarding that it may make regarding the renaming will be null and void if the School Board does not name me to the Committee. At the November 8, 2018, School Board meeting, I informed the Board that I had not yet received a response from APS to my request to be added to the Renaming Committee, although more than a month had elapsed since I had made that request. At the meeting, the Board Chair, Reid Goldstein, informed an APS assistant superintendent, Linda Erdos, that she should discuss this with me. Although we had this discussion, neither Ms. Erdos nor Mr. Goldstein has responded in writing to my request that I be named to the Committee. I consider this to be inexcusable, as APS is depriving me of my right to be represented on the Committee in a timely manner. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community
**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Jane Fitzgerald Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am in favor of a compromise- Maintain W-L, the cheer that so many associate with their school. I am a graduate of W-L, and a parent of graduates. The diplomas will always say Washington-Lee. The connection to the school is one of the largest sources of friendship, and reconnection over the years. Alum donate funds for scholarships and booster or athletic teams. Networking is one of the most important skills for students to develop, and by changing the name, these opportunities will be greatly diminished. W-L has a reputation for being a very welcoming and diverse school with programs for all levels and meeting the needs of most students. If the name has to change, Lighthorse Harry Lee could be substituted for R.E. Lee, with the least amount of disruption while maintaining the connection for the alumni, current students, and community which use it as a landmark. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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| Comments: | Ms. Jane Fitzgerald |

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

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| Subject: | Re: Engage with APS |
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| Salutation: | FORMAL - Ms. Fitzgerald |

**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Jane Fitzgerald Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: --I oppose the changing of the W-L name. Period. It is impossible to make things right via this band aid. And the process has not passed the smell test as an example of the "Arlington Way"; --I firmly oppose the SB ignoring their publicly-presented and praised process, time line and then holding an unscheduled vote in June. --I speak as a member of the W-L community. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Russ Schleeter

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: DO NOT change the name! This PC crap has gone too far. What are we, ISIS trying to remove all traces of history or anything they disagree with? I didn't spend 20 years as a Naval Officer defending the Constitution and the first amendment to have it ignored. Gen Lee is party of history, deal with it. Teach it, discuss it but don't remove it. A bunch PC snowflakes should not be able to dictate to the majority of us because they are fashionably offended. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Comments:

Ms. Dottie Ports

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I want the name, Washington-Lee High School, to REMAIN Washington-Lee High School. Do NOT change or alter the name of this high school. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Robert Neyman
Assignee: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3
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Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Neyman

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Subject: Engage with APS
Name Robert Neyman Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a member of the Arlington community it would break my heart to know that the local high school with all the wonderful achievements would have its name changed. PLEASE DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME OF W-L HIGH SCHOOL! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Comments: Ms. Suzanne Glancy
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Subject: Engage with APS
Name Suzanne Glancy Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I graduated from Washington-Lee in 1961 and there is NOTHING that will change that nor should there ever be! I am a proud GENERAL and you should be ashamed of your effort to alter history!! What do you think of those idiots who would deny to Holocaust? Are you really intent in joining them???? We learn from history, not by denying it! Keep Washington-Lee now and forever! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Date In: 11/13/2018
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Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Washington-Lee renaming
Comments: Ms. Joan McCracken
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Good morning, I have been keeping up with the renaming of my high school, Washington-Lee. First, I've wondered how many, if any, of the school board members actually grew up in Arlington? Yes, slavery WAS horrible and thank God it's over. In the past. History that can't be changed. What's next? Changing the name of Arlington County (Lee's plantation)? Lee Highway? Leesburg? Come on people, it's history, the past. Let it go and accept what is. SO many of us have fond memories of Washington-Lee and are proud of our school. Leave the name alone. Joan McCracken Class of '82

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Katherine Balestrieri Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I was born and raised in Arlington, and was the Class of 1976 at Washington-Lee. Spending your life in a town, you identify with your schools and neighborhoods. I was a kid who went to Stonewall Jackson (renamed) and then on to Kenmore Jr. High where half of our friends went to another Jr. High. Then we were divided again for high school. We sure missed our friends. I disapprove of the option of renaming my second school. We didn’t see the names of our schools as negative history, we were just Jackson Kids and W-L kids. We were proud of our schools and of the names, as well. Now, we feel like we are being shamed for liking the names. They were our identity, our pride. When I fill out job applications, I have to look up the current names of my schools. It’s not right. Please, I’ve lost one school name. Don’t do it again. Please. Katherine Denny Balestrieri Ballston Kid and North Carolina resident Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate.

Subject: Engage with APS
Name Constance Sorrentino Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am an alumnus of W-L class of 1960. I believe that the name of the school should be changed to eliminate Robert E. Lee. He should not be honored due to his betrayal of the United States in the Civil War. I had supported renaming the school to honor Arthur Ashe, but am open to other alternatives that the renaming committee recommends. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate.

Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Marsha Gunnell Wathen
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I vehemently oppose the name change of Washington Lee High School! My family, extended family and friends have proudly attended there from the 1920's and believe the history and achievements of this deeply loved school deserves to keep it's honored name intact. The Arlington County School Board has been negligent, prejudice and overreaching in its duties to the alumni and citizens of the county. DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME OF WASHINGTON LEE HIGH SCHOOL. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Other

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Name Marsha Gunnell Wathen
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Graduate of W-L in 1964 If W-L were a new school being named today, there is 0% chance that it would be named after Robert E Lee. The school was named in the era when the Daughters of the Confederacy were actively commemorating Confederate history. It would be nice if the new name kept the nickname Generals Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate
Subject: Engage with APS

Mr. CG Estabrook
No postal address available

Subject: Engage with APS

Name CG Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The name of Washington-Lee should be changed, and past and present W-L students (and others) should pay attention to the real history of G. Washington, and R. E. Lee, as opposed to the jingoistic mythology we’ve been taught. Washington and Lee were both slaveholders who killed people to maintain slavery. Historians now admit that the ‘War of Independence’ (1775-83) - as well as the Civil War (1861-65) - was in defense of slavery - the system that had produced the wealth of the 18th-century settler-colonists in North America: in 1776 Britain was moving toward the abolition of slavery and American elites, North and South, concluded that separation from Britain was necessary to maintain the source of their wealth. (See now e.g., Gerald Horne, &quot;The Counter-Revolution of 1776” [NYU Press, 2014].) Changing the name should be a small contribution to public awareness of the real history of our polity. Sincerely, C. G. Estabrook, jr. W-L 1960, student council president Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Subject: Engage with APS

Mr. John Fiorio
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Name John Fiorio Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I believe that holding an unscheduled vote in June was wrong and also the vote was not on the published agenda. We have voted for representatives that need to follow proper procedure. I am against the name change. W-L has an excellent reputation and...
all individuals I have spoken with agree to keep the name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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**Mr. John Foster**

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**Ms. Frances Snyder**

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**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

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Name Frances Snyder

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APS Graduate

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MR. JOHN FOSTER

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**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name [Redacted]
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not rename W-L. This high school has such a rich history that will be buried and forgotten if the name is changed. I would also implore you as a school board to follow policy and procedure with full disclosure and transparency. Allow the process to work as intended not at the whim of political correctness. The community that elects you deserves to have their voices heard. Please give them that courtesy as you expect the same in return. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Stanley Brock
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**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name [Redacted]
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I very strongly object to changing the name of W-L High School. I am a lifelong resident of Arlington and attended 12 grades in the Arlington School system as did all 3 of my now adult children. This is unfair to the current students, graduates and Arlington County. This change has not been justified to the citizens of Arlington. Thank You Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Peter Culbert

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions:

Keep the name Washington-Lee High School. Do NOT change the name!!! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Name James Manzo

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions:

I am completely against the proposed recommendation to change the longstanding name of Washington-Lee High School. As one of three children who all attended and graduated from W-L I believe this change is both unnecessary and detrimental to those of us who long an association with Arlington, its heritage, and specifically the school, an academic hub to the Arlington community. I and also concerned about the lack of transparency regarding the boards procedures in this discussion, significantly deviating from longstanding policy and procedure. Get your act together Arlington School Board and listen to the voices of past graduates. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate
**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Michele Valkenaar Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The actions of the Arlington School Board with respect to considering a name change for Washington-Lee H.S. have created a divisive environment. Do not change the school’s name without the full support of the community. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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**Salutation:** FORMAL - Ms. Valkenaar

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Name REGINA MARTIN Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am totally AGAINST the renaming of Washington-Lee High School. The name is part of its history. I am concerned that the SB held an unscheduled vote about the name change at the June 7, 2018 meeting which was NOT on the published agenda. The agenda was modified the day AFTER the meeting to add the vote schedule. This was not following proper procedures. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Comments: Mr. William Adkins

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**Salutation:** FORMAL - Ms. Adkins
Subject: Engage with APS

Name William Adkins Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: A follow-up on last night's comments. What the 85-90% of the people that favor retaining the name Washington-Lee are trying to tell you is that, although the name Washington-Lee initially represented an honor to Generals Washington and Lee in 1925, it now represents the efforts and accomplishments of all of the students who have attended the school since then (93 years). Those people are trying to tell you that changing the name is an attack on the efforts and accomplishments of W-L students over all of those years, for a token name change that really accomplishes nothing. Anyone that can not or doesn't want to understand that should not be a member of any school board. A very significant example of those accomplishments is the leadership role that W-L played in the peaceful and successful transition from segregated schools to fully integrated schools, in both Arlington County and the state of Virginia. That started in the 1959 - 1960 school year, my senior year, so I can only speak for the beginning of the transition. However, the continuing accomplishments of the school and a look at the recent distribution of the student body attest to that success. I might also add that if people insist on making it all about Robert E. Lee, as opposed to the reputation of the school, you might want to look at the following extract from https://washingtonlee.apsva.us/about-us/w-l-history-in-brief/: "Arlington House, the Robert E. Lee Memorial, operated and maintained by the National Park Service. . . . In 1925, the year W-L opened, Arlington House was restored as the nation’s memorial to Lee. According to the National Park Service, "Today Arlington House is preserved as a memorial to Robert E. Lee in honor of his dedication to peace and reconciliation after the Civil War." I don't believe that is something to be ashamed of. However, it points out that changing the name of W-L, without dealing with the name Arlington is simply a token change that doesn't deal with a county named in his honor. My final recommendation. If you really intend to pay no attention to the great majority of Arlington citizens and former students of Washington Lee (85-90 %), then do something simple, by leaving the name Washington-Lee unchanged, and just changing which Lee is represented in the name. Really kind of silly. But, if you feel you must do something, it is far better than any other proposal I have heard. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate
Incoming

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Name Michael Koiner 

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: My Family and I are VERY upset with the Arlington school board in their actions to rename W-L! WE are long time residents and property owners in Arlington, We are All, against, ANY name CHANGES in Arlington! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Michael Connellan

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Mr. James Latshaw

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Name James Latshaw

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do NOT rename Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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**Ms. Mary Ann Winter**

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Name Mary Ann Winter

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: First, the original petition to graduates of Washington-Lee High School voted by 91%-95% to NOT change the name. So are we being ignored. Sounds like that is the case. Please do not change the name of my beloved Washington-Lee High School........changing the name does not erase history.......W-L.......a school with an outstanding scholastic history and for 93 years....one of the top five high schools in the country during the 40’s and 50’s.......and the first school in Virginia to integrate! In addition, W-L was the first high school to row Crew against college junior varsity teams and winning........ gaining international fame by rowing in the Henley Regatta in England!!! It will be shameful if the School Board changes the name of our precious Washington-Lee High School. It will be on your conscience. &quot;When the moon comes up and the sun comes down, W-L will shine!&quot; Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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**Assigned:** Meg Tuccillo

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

**Response:** Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)

**Salutation:** FORMAL - Ms. Winter

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Ms. Carol Aquilino
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Subject: Engage with APS
Name Carol Aquilino Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I strongly object to changing the name of Washington-Lee High School. W-L has been an outstanding place of education for decades. The name is synonymous with excellence in education. Changing the name would erase the accomplishments of thousands of proud graduates and outstanding leaders in every field. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Mr. Kenneth Lounge
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Subject: Engage with APS
Name Kenneth Lounge Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a student at Washington-Lee I learned about general Robert E Lee and his motivations as a soldier, commander, and politician. I learned that he fought for the practice of racism and subjugation, but I never once considered the name of my school as inappropriate or provocative while a student and not since then. I do not celebrate general Lee but I do consider his place in American history as crucially formative to our nation, for better or worse. To me, having his name on the school acknowledges his contributions, for better or worse. I ask the school board to consider whether his name on the school acknowledges or celebrates his legacy. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Brenda Proulx

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am in favor of keeping the name Washington-Lee for the high school. I am a W-L graduate and remain in the DC metro area. The school has a strong heritage attached to that name and an obvious connection to the county of Arlington. The public understands the past was not perfect, and great heroes of the past also had flaws. It is not necessary to try to completely erase references to their very positive contributions to the country and to Arlington. KEEP THE NAME! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Earl Carothers

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I have sent the board a detailed letter detailing my feelings regarding the renaming of W&L. I want to assure that you know the extent of my objection. You can not change the past only learn from it. If we attempt to change the past we will not accomplish anything but a false attempt to show our will over history. And to what end? Our students will still understand the truth and history of the school and as I am one of them, distrust the leaders who, for their own self-endoring gains will change and the truth and history of the school.
Changing names will not change the past. Spend the money on things that matter today and leave our name alone. No matter what you do it will always be Washington and LEE to me. BTW Washington had slaves as well. Do the right thing and leave the name alone. Earl Carothers Class of 1964 Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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suggestions: I cannot imagine changing the name of Washington-Lee High School. Its history is something to be proud of. The only reason to do this is POLITICAL. What next? Remove books from the library like To Kill a Mockingbird and have an old fashioned book burning? You should be ashamed of yourselves. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Howard Harvill

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Howard Harvill Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: A proposal to change the name of Washington-Lee high school is a travesty and disrespectful of the history of the school. I am a 1964 graduate of W-L and have great respect for the school. I never gave much thought to the derivation of the school name and believe most people give it little thought. What is important to me is the reputation that has been built over the history of the school. Anyone who is a graduate or attended the school is automatically identified with the success and good reputation of the school. To arbitrarily change something that represents achievement and success is irresponsible, unless there is a compelling reason to do so. I have seen no such compelling argument. The current fad of extreme political correctness and overzealous, uncompromising politicians is not adequate justification for destruction of such a positive and successful school's history. I am a proud graduate and would prefer not to have to explain that I went to W-L, but that school no longer exists. Please do not change the name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Ms. Nancy Apple

Subject: Engage with APS

Re: Engage with APS

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Name Nancy [redacted] Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a senior citizen, long-term resident of Northern VA, and a contributing and loyal alumna of the Class of 1962 of Washington-Lee High School, I heartily oppose the Arlington School Board’s short-sighted, ill-considered and politically-deficient decision to change the venerable name of a proud and well-regarded educational institution. I have no quarrel with the Board’s reasonable decision on naming future new schools with new criteria, but it makes no sense to go back to attempt to wipe out history and tradition by “cleansing” the name of our well-known and highly regarded high school! Where will this effort at misplaced historical revisionism end? Are we to expect deletions in all phases of life instead of careful and resolute planning for education of historical lessons that need to be taught and expounded against the proper historical background? Nancy BABB Appler Class of 62 and one who feels for the difficult names and past history, but understands this should be a teaching history. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Subject: Engage with APS

Name John Carter [redacted] Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: George Washington and Robert E. Lee are two of the most remarkable people in Virginia’s 400-year history, as well as in the history of the United States. You can’t find two better people. Changing the name of Washington-Lee High School, simply for political reasons, would be a slap in the face to human decency and an embarrassment for future generations to view. As you judge these men, so will future generations judge you. There is no doubt in my mind that as soon as you get rid of the Lee name, that the name, Washington, will follow, and all we will have left is the hyphen. Keep the name, Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
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Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name of Washington-Lee. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community.

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Name Christian Eldringhoff
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name of Washington-Lee. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Name Eduardo Gaarder
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME OF W-L. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Mr. Ralph Saunders
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Name Ralph Saunders
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am an alumni of Washington-Lee High School and I strongly oppose changing the name. I am also very unhappy with the undemocratic process that the Arlington Community

Mr. Eduardo Gaarder
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County School Board has embraced, ignoring the wishes of the alumni and residents of the county who also do not want the cost of changing the schools name. The School board has tried to disenfranchise interested parties and have ignored the results of polls and votes related to the name change. The whole process is a disgrace to the entire state and is quite likely illegal. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

**E-Mail**

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Ms. Cheryl Pettibone Harrison  
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**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Cheryl Pettibone Harrison  
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Voting NOT to change W-L school name ... in all the 50&amp;#43; years I've lived in the North, no one has ever associated the school's name with the the Confederacy or made any comment about either of the names Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Mr. Bruce Jolly  
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Name Bruce Jolly  
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I strongly urge the school board not to change the name W-L. I was a student in Arlington and reside in Arlington. I graduated W-L in 1965 and experienced its seamless integration process. I knew those involved and can only recall with pride the time we

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spent in class together and the friendships formed there. I knew Elizabeth and Ed Campbell who understood and let us understand the importance and significance of the events of the day and the legacy that would forever be lost by any attempt to revise its history. I thank Ed and John Hummer for reminding us the name does matter. Don’t change the name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Stephen Tenney
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Name Stephen Tenney
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name of Washington-Lee High School. The school stands on it's own with superlative accomplishments both academic and athletic. Let those remain for the history of Arlington County and do not throw them out. Robert E. Lee is and always will be part of US history. He was a Virginian in his day in a difficult time in history. We can’t sweep that history under the rug. It will always be with us. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Randall Morris
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a proud graduate of Washington-Lee High School, I urge you

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to keep the name. Erasing a name(s) will not change history. The two generals, one with a glorious history and the other who made tragic historical choices, make for the perfect dichotomy in understanding Virginia's history. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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- **From:** Mr. Thomas Carey  
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**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Thomas &quot;Mike&quot; Carey

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do Not change the name of W-L high school. Keeping the name honors the reality of our past. We should not seek to erase historical names as was done in the Soviet Union, China and other tyrannical governments. R. L. Lee was a vastly important figure in Arlington’s history. Honor and respect the reality of our past. Don’t seek to erase it for political correctness. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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- **From:** Ms. Lynn McHugh Scanlon  
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Name Lynn McHugh Scanlon

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Career Center Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I do not agree with the idea or the process of

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**Subject:** RE: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
renaming Washington-Lee high school. It is part of our community for 100 years and it stands for tradition and history. As one of the first desegregated high schools in the state, it should maintain its name as part of arlington's rich and vital history. As Arlingtonians, we take great pride in using and honoring the democratic process in all aspects of our local government, the decision to rename Washington-Lee high school skipped that process entirely, and the school board should be ashamed of their decision to "skip" important steps in that democratic process, specifically holding open and public meetings and being transparent with the school board intentions. I am disgusted by this decision and question whether the current board is sound in their other decisions for our students. Don't hijack the democratic process for your own personal gain. Do not rename Washington-Lee high school unless ALL of the steps are followed, and the community has the opportunity to voice their opinions properly! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Eric Matsumoto

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME! I am very troubled that the school board ignored their process and timeline and held an unscheduled vote in June. Everyone knows that this was a vote that was not on the published agenda and was not presented as an information item, as is required. An after-the-fact move to add it to the online agenda is very troubling, and especially the doctoring of the meeting minutes to hide crucial evidence. DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

**Outgoing**

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Mr. Barry Dineen
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the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name of Washington Lee. Otherwise if you do this then change the name of Washington DC. Washington also owned slaves. Destroy Mount Vernon plantation. Your purpose won't change history or anything else and will cost an enormous amount of money that will be wasted. This is strictly a political ploy and has no value. It is a proud name and no good reason to be changed. Don't be stupid. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Subject: Engage with APS
Name John Berenzweig
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do NOT change the name from Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Martha Roberts
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME! Washington-Lee High School is the beloved name that has been there for almost a century. As a community, we want it to continue. Look at the will of the community. Keep the name! WASHINGTON-LEE
HIGH SCHOOL! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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**Comments:**

Mr. Sheran Marks  
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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS  

Name Sheran Marks Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not change the name. We are so proud of being a W-L graduates. This is part of history. You cannot simply erase it. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

**Outgoing**

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**Comments:**

Mr. Ernest Madeley  
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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS  

Name Ernest Madeley Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Class of 1969. Since when does the MINORITY rule?? In NO uncertain terms KEEP our school name proudly! The majority understand that the name is an honor to both sides of the conflict. NOT as an affront to some minority group(s). We are Proud to be the Washington-Lee Generals thank you Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Other

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Name William Price: Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am 100% opposed to re-naming Washington-Lee High School. There is nothing in either name that should offend anyone, and I will be deeply offended if the school is re-named. Recent polls have shown that over 65% of Americans think that political correctness should be dialed back, and re-naming the school is pure political correctness run amuck. BTW, I am a voter and financial contributor, but all contributions will cease if you re-name W-L. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Ellen Hershey: Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am an alumna of Washington-Lee High School (class of 1962). I will always be grateful for the excellent education I received there. I strongly support renaming W-L. Arlington is a much more diverse community today than it was when W-L was named in the 1920’s or when I was a student there in the 1960’s. Our understanding of Robert E. Lee’s place in history has changed. I believe that the school should have a name that inspires today’s students, educators, parents, and community. Alumni should stand back smiling and extend our blessing as our beloved school takes on a new name that will help it serve today’s and tomorrow’s students as well as it once served us. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name: Robert Hargrove

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I want it to be known that I am firmly against the renaming of Washington-Lee High School and am shocked at how the entire process has been handled. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name: Constance Olson Hoogerland

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am beside myself that a name which represents the history of this country in many aspects would be changed to reflect the progress made but also to put aside that progress. I believe the amazing day of integration should be emphasized while the name should remain. Many students who have much to learn about the past would hopefully be enlightened by this fact that we were (while I was a student in Arlington) part of a greater movement which is important and should be recognized and held dear. We cannot erase the past, but we can celebrate each step forward by accepting all people in this world as equal. The most important aspect is to teach young people to be fair and accepting. It is not to change a
more than century long name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/13/2018 - 1:48pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:
Ms. Patricia MacKenzie
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Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Patricia MacKenzie Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I emphatically recommend that the name Washington-Lee REMAIN the name if this prestigious Arlington County high school. Any name change will necessarily be followed by "formerly Washington-Lee"; in order to take advantage of the continuing and high ranking of the current name! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:
Ms. Miriam Greenwood
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Name Miriam Greenwood Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: In 1912 the book "Lord Chatham and the Whig Opposition" by Denys Arthur Winstanley was published, and it included a passage that many years later was quoted by Barbara Tuchman: 4 ...nothing is more unfair than to judge the men of the past by the ideas of the present. Whatever may be said of morality, political wisdom is certainly ambulatory. I vote against renaming Washington-Lee. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Susan Armstrong Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am against the renaming of Washington - Lee (W-L). Erasing the past does not help us to go forward and changing the name of our high school does not help that. Please do not change the name of W-L Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Bob Hagel Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am for Keeping the name Washington-Lee. How we ended up here at this point is suspect and possibly criminal at least! Leave it unchanged. Please confirm by email that this has been received on 11.13.18. Thanks Class of 1970... Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Paul Higgins
Outgoing
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Ms. Marie Cheek
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Name Paul Higgins Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Comments:

Mr. Stephen Firestone
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Incoming
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Name Marie Cheek Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the school name. Washington-Lee has been our neighborhood school for nearly 100 years. It is a historic school and we are proud of our school, it’s heritage, it’s wonderful educational atmosphere, and it’s name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
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Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Subject: Rename Washington-Lee

Gentlemen:

Please do not change the High School that I attended in 1960-1963.

I have contacted several of my friends who were classmates of mine. They "All" concur with me.

Feel free to contact me if you wish to meet or discuss the above.

Respectfully

Stephen A Firestone, Esq.  

Steve

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E-Mail

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Mr. Vince Derr

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Mr. Charles Lewis

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Subject: Engage with APS

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Charles Lewis

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Under no circumstances should W-L's Name be changed. The name itself represents all of us who have attended Washington-Lee over it's almost 100 year history. It's nationwide presence has allowed many of us to continue our education simply because we are "Generals". The level of education we received here (Nationally ranked as the "Second Best Public High School") made us well know throughout the country. A name change would denigrate our history and allow our traditions and legacy to slip away. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail

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Comments:

Mr. Steve Jones

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Name Steve Jones

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I strongly urge you to keep the name Washington-Lee! True students of history understand the role Lee played in achieving reconciliation after our tragic Civil War. I am extremely disappointed at the School Board’s failure to followed the agreed to process and efforts to deceive the public. Do NOT change the name of this historic high school! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

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Ms. Nita Wade

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Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Nita Wade Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: This debacle stems from the school board having no plan or respect for policy/procedures. Any change in name will result in no net gain for students or the community. Stop wasting time. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
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Comments:

Mr. Hugh White

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Name Hugh White Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I strongly object to the re-naming of Washington-Lee High School Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/13/2018 - 12:28pm
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Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Ms. Meg Tuccillo

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Meg Tuccillo Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Meg Tuccillo

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Name Meg Tuccillo

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Outgoing

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Ms. Meg Tuccillo

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**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name William Matson

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am adamantly opposed to renaming W-L. The school has a long and luminous history. It led in the fight against segregation and achieved integration without problems. It should keep the name and be remembered and celebrated for what it has accomplished through its teachers, administrators and students over the past nearly 100 years. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community.

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Name Joan Cocker

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**Comments:**

Mr. Joan Cocker

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Subject: Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions. The renaming process for Washington-Lee is not consistent with Arlington’s process for community engagement. The process needs to be re-started in a consistent, comprehensive manner and not directed toward a hasty decision favored by a few at the expense of the many who have been excluded from the process. The only result of continuing with the current process would be a shameful departure from the inclusive standard Arlington sets. A re-start would also be a compromise among those in the community who feel strongly about a re-naming and those who are opposed. Thank you for your consideration. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent.

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Name Rodney Russell Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: You people make me laugh and cry at the same time. Don’t change the name to Rodney King High School. He would be disappointed in us that we’re not all able to “just get along”. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:11am
Subject: Name change of Washington Lee
Comments: No postal address available

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Proud alumni of Washington Lee and current part-time resident of Arlington

Kendall Morey

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

Outgoing

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Name Clayton Day Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am outraged at the suggested name change, and would wish whomsoever responsible on the SB removed. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 2:00pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
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Comments:

Mr. John Van Dyun

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Name William Anderson Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I do not support the efforts to change the name of Washington-Lee High School. Leave the name as it is. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

Arlington Community

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Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: 11/16/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Anderson

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Viewed: 11/15/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Van Dyun

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Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: 11/15/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Van Dyun

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suggestions: The name should NOT be changed. The school board by its actions has proven itself to be illegitimate and intentionally out of touch with the community it has sworn to represent. They should [redacted] Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 
Ms. Judith E. Tucker
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Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Judith E Tucker [redacted] Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I believe we should not change W-L's name. I think slavery was a horrible thing and that we should not encourage or support any kind of racism and bigotry. However, neither should we sweep our shameful history under the rug. Besides, changing the name of Washington-Lee High School would be an expensive proposition. I believe the money could be better spent on teachers' salaries, textbooks, training kids how to be more accepting of others, or any number of educational items. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail
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Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 
Mr. David Bunch
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Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name David Bunch [redacted] Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: W-L has a very long and proud history that should be preserved in the name which is my last connection as the school building

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and even the school address have changed. We were the last Class (‘78) to walk the hallowed halls and into the classrooms of the original 1925 school building. The “new” building we used starting in 1979 is now nothing but a memory. W-L Generals is much more than a name to me and many others. Please don't let it become just another memory. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?
Arlington Community

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Name Lynn Lindley [redacted] Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: There is absolutely NO need to change the current name! W-L has always been synonymous with the highest academic standards. To change the name would be a travesty! The leaders after whom W-L was named were honorable men and both Stratford and W-L were at the forefront of the integration process in Virginia. That should be celebrated not denigrated. Keep in mind the famous quote which basically says to deny history is to repeat it! The time and effort not to mention the financial cost of this ridiculous process to change school names would be better spent on educational programs which promote educational opportunities for everyone. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?
Arlington Community

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Name Jeffrey Gaber Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The name should not be changed, but instead should be highlighted as an example of how a school led a community and a state to achieve diversity, equality, and excellence in education and community development. I grew up in Arlington in the '50-70 time period, when W-L, Wakefield, and Yorktown stood tall in the face of face of massive resistance from the rest of the state. I am proud of how my classmates, teammates, and neighbors led the way to integrate our schools, and show Virginia how to move forward. Changing the name of Washington-Lee High School would dishonor the efforts of those students, parents, and teachers, of all races, who made it happen. JBG Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

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Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Ms. Michelle Lynch - Bouma
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Name Michelle Lynch Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Other Please indicate the topic you'd like to address: Do NOT change the name Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do Not change the name of Washington-Lee High School my father, brother, sister and myself graduated from W-L. Don't change name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community
Name Michelle Lynch - Bouma Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I for one do not want the name to be changed both George Washington and Robert E Lee, helped shape our Country, there for W-L should remain that name and never changed. There seems to be a group of people that want to erase the history of every school like they did at Jeb Stuart High School now its a stupid name no body wants. I Note NO to the Name Change, its all wrong when the school was founded in the 1920's and a few people feel they have the right discard the name. SO WRONG. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Robert Bell Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am opposed to changing the name of Washington and Lee high school. This is a matter of erasing history to assuage a very few delicate sensibilities. It is happening across the state of Virginia. I find it absurd that school boards throughout the Commonwealth continually cry a shortage of funds for education, but will spend tens...nay hundreds of thousands of dollars to genuflect before the altar of political correctness by changing school names. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Ms. Virginia Strniste
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Name Virginia Strmiste[Name Redacted] Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I graduated from Washington-Lee High School in 1966. I am against renaming the school. All that does is sweep the issue under the carpet. Racism is still a terrible problem in America. The racist rally in Charlottesville is proof that racism still drives too many Americans. We need to face racism in each and every one of us, talk about it, teach about it, and work to eliminate it. Changing a school name does not do any of that. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Ms. Diane Tobin

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Mr. Scott Elkins

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Name scott elkins Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Good morning! I continue to be sickened by the thought of changing the esteemed name and legacy of Washington-Lee High School. That the arrogance of public officials causes the consideration of the change is tantamount to being stabbed in my heart! That public officials have the unmitigated gall to encroach on the sanctity of a huge portion of my life, engenders a rage the likes of which I have never felt in my lifetime. The spirit of W-L did not begin when I was in the 10th grade, it because a beacon of strength from a very early age and has continued today through our 60th reunion. You threaten to yank my heart out like a heathen. This project is nothing more than &quot;carpetbagging&quot; and unilaterally castrating Virginians and southerners while unabashedly carrying the flag historical revisionism! And oh please, don’t tell me Robert E Lee &quot;fought for slavery&quot; anymore that our civil war was &quot;fought over slavery&quot; Proponents of name change are either uniformly ignorant (nothing to do with formal education), or emotionally hellbent to acquiesce to the ugly rant of activist groups, whom, by the way, do not represent the general public. If I have the opportunity to financially support litigation against public bodies or officials, I will wholeheartedly do so. SHAME ON YOU!!!! Scott W Elkins

Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Margaret Filiatrault Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I would like the name to stay Washington-Lee. I especially do not like the deceit that has happened in the process. We are also modeling for our students how to disagree and problem solve in a way that is fair for the entire community. Please respect the decision making process. Men up to th early1900s also discriminated against women. Does that mean no mans name should also not be allowed? Men were imperfect at the time. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Ms. Ellen Fox

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Name Fox Ellen Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I'm a second generation W-L alum and current Yorktown parent. I 100% support renaming W-L. Unfortunately the W-L alumni Facebook site and email group have both been commandeered by a small vocal extremist minority that opposes renaming and is hostile toward those who support it. The W-L alumni organization has also flagrantly violated IRS rules for nonprofits by promoting a political candidate. I would like for the school board to replace current leadership on the alumni group and start over with a different Facebook site with strict rules prohibiting hateful speech and ad hominem insults. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

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Comments: Ms. Elise Estes

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Name Estes Elise Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Leave Washington-Lee as Washington-Lee Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Gail Yard, Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The name Washington-Lee should remain. Changing the name of the school will not erase the history of slavery in the United States. We all need to be aware of the mistakes made throughout our history so that we do not repeat them. My vote is: DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME OF WASHINGTON-LEE HIGH SCHOOL. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Lynn Holt, Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: DO NOT CHANGE SCHOOL NAMES. Do not tamper with history or tradition. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Mr. Len Rogers

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Len Rogers Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I do not want the name of W-L changed. It is of important historic value in the county, especially during the period when Arlington led the state during public school integration. The name itself stands for inclusivity and a tradition of academic excellence. I particularly object to the process the Board has followed, which models values that political deception and ignoring the community are acceptable. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Rob Elkins

Subject: Engage with APS

Name rob elkins Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: No the name of Washington-Lee High School should Not be

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changed. The board must have lost their ever loving minds (say this in nice language) Lets us really get stupid and change the name of the &quot;White House&quot; to the &quot;Black House&quot; This would put the one percent of my genes that are black at ease for all that happen to black slaves back in the 1800's The board should deal with what they are responsible for the education of children not politics Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Comments:  
Ms. Audrey Thorpe

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Name Audrey Thorpe Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not rename W-L! This is not necessary. This is an important part of our history whether it be good bad or ugly. History is history &amp; we cannot erase the past. Do not rename Washington- Lee High School! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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want the name to remain as it is!!! Its name and its legacy carries too many historical memories including all of the famous people who have attended Washington Lee in the past! Many people would be outraged if this were to happen. This is ridiculous. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Pamela Morris Sheldon
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Name Morris Pamela Sheldon
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: In attempting to rename W-L, the Arlington School Board is not removing Civil War and early American history, it is removing the history of its alumni/are. When I attended Wellesley College, the reputation of W-L preceded me, and I felt an obligation to live up to its high standards. Keep the name that is associated with its past and future graduates. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Ms. Mary Albert
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Name Mary Albert
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please keep the name. The school has been a highly respected part of the county since it opened and remains so today. Keep in mind that Lee was a man of honor. Washington owned
slaves as well as the signers of the Declaration of Independence. W-L smoothly handled integration (I was there) and no one was obsessed by the name of this fine school. The history of this school has been nothing but good. Keep the name! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Ms. Janice Graham
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Name Janice Graham: Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: My family—including my grandparents and parents—has resided in Arlington. I wish to voice support to uphold the legacy and the name of Washington-Lee High School. Based on personal history, we stand and voice a request to retain the name. Some may voice the desire to change the name looking back at the life of its namesake. However—If we take a look at history—at the conclusion of the Civil War, Grant spoke to the troops under his command and instructed them to show the respect and courtesy to Lee that he deserved. Is there a balance sheet to determine how many good versus questionable acts a person performs to eradicate their noteworthy deeds? For example, should Martin Luther King’s name be tarnished and removed from public property because his doctorate was nearly rescinded due to allegations of plagiarism and infidelity? Which misdeeds negate a legacy? Who makes this kind of decision, and what process do they use to make this determination? In reviewing the records regarding the proposed name change, I am appalled at the inconsistencies in following the proper protocol in this matter. I served as director of a consortium of fifty-eight high schools and six colleges for eight years. I met with members of the house and senate in Arizona and in the District of Columbia annually. Having oversight in education matters for twelve high school districts, I am aware of the necessary protocol to follow. Disregarding the appropriate protocol and consideration in hearing and acknowledging the community in retaining the name is unbelievable. It can erode trust in the board and due process. For the sake of the reputation of the board, the good of the community, and the legacy of the high school, I urge you to reconsider the handling of this matter and to retain the name—Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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### E-Mail

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**Subject:** Engage with APS  
Name Tanya Hileman  
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L  Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I would like to suggest naming the school after Beatriz X. Hernandez. She grew up in Arlington (not sure if she was born here) as the child of Mexican immigrants. She graduated from Wakefield, and worked for APS for over 25 years, most recently as a Technology Support Specialist in Enterprise Solutions, and W-L was one of the schools she supported. She lost her battle with Ovarian Cancer almost 2 years ago. I think she would be an excellent choice for the renaming of the school Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Staff

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
Thanks for the suggestion to name W-L after Beatriz Hernandez. I will share your suggestion with the renaming committee for their information. Again, thanks for the suggestion (although, according to APS policy, the person is supposed to be dead for 5 years before a school can be named for them) - I will pass her name on anyway!

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**Subject:** Engage with APS  
Name Diane Waters  
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L  Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: We must teach our young people the truth about the origins of how the school name was chosen in the first place. And how there was no voice of opposition at the time for many reasons but I'd say Racism and Classism and Geography were closely related to folks coming up with Robert E Lee. It is not that we live with these names that matters. It is that we always have an ongoing dialogue of how and why. We cannot change history nor can we pretend that a simple name change will be enough to lessen our guilt of our own internal racism etc. Let's talk about the truth as painful and shameful as

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it is. It is part of who we are. Let’s just be honest and own our "Stuff". Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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**Mr. Peter Holler**

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**Ms. Marilyn Mathers Lummus**

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Name Marilyn Mathers Lummus Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Strongly OPPOSE CHANGING THE NAME of Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Tron Brekke  

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am completely against re-naming W-L High School. I grew up in Arlington, and attended Stratford Jr. High School and W-L. I graduated from W-L in 1963. The so-called "naming process" has been a sham and a disgrace to anyone who believes in democracy! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Donald Cundiff  

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear Board Members, I wish to object to the despicable idea of the renaming of Washington-Lee High School as nothing more than a modern day PC book burning. If you continue with this, will you also censor the name "Arlington" which is part of your board name? One should remember Arlington came from a slave plantation and if feelings are hurt over Lee than one's feelings should be hurt by living under a slave plantation name. What about "Arlington" Cemetery? Is it a name to hurt feelings? Below is a Congressional record of support for Robert E Lee: Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Congress of the United States, at this anniversary time, does hereby pay honor and tribute to the everlasting memory of Robert E. Lee, whose name will EVER be bright in our history as a great military leader, a great educator, a GREAT American, and a truly great man through the simple heritage of his
personal traits of high character, his grandeur of soul, his unfailing strength of heart. The Arlington House: The Robert E Lee Memorial So where do you stop all of this modern day PC? What history books need to be burned in order to soothe feelings? I would suggest you stop this insane idea and concentrate on school subject matters which truly will help with students futures. I do like the idea of editing Washington-Lee High School to become Washington AND Lee High School to recognize the outstanding university of Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia. Or do you have plans to destroy that fine university’s good name to accommodate PC radicals? Sincerely, Donald Cundiff

Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail

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Mr. David Collier

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Name David Collier Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a previous student of Washington Lee I cannot ask strongly enough to keep the name. What can you possibly hope to solve or change by giving our storied school some nonsensical name like &quot;Justice&quot; etc? Revisionist history serves no purpose. At what point will you stop trying to appease the shrill Social Justice movement? Rename our Nation's capital? Raze to the ground Lee's home, Arlington House, along with Mount Vernon, Monticello and countless more reminders of our flawed but important past? Honestly, what imaginary evil are you fighting to eradicate? Was Lee's desire to defend his home state of Virginia so heinous simply because it was part of the Confederacy? Would you feel differently if he had accepted the Union's offer and commanded the Union's forces instead? Your drive to stamp out any reminder of how far our country has come shows only your shortsightedness and need to ram your agenda down everyone's throats. As George Santayana said, &quot;Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it&quot; . Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Outgoing

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Comments: 

Mr. Paul Hyndman

Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: 11/17/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Collier

Subject: Engage with APS

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Name Paul Hyndman

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Arlington Community

Outgoing

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Name: James Brown

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am W-L alumni and I am highly offended that the Arlington County School Board took the low road to sneak in an unscheduled vote to change the name of my former high school. Even after ignoring public opinion not to change the name. How dare you! Who do you think you are? The fact that the vote was not on a published agenda nor was it ever presented as an information item as required! And, that the school board also doctored the meeting minutes to hide key evidence. School Board leaders should be indicted for these misdeeds. DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME OF THIS OUTSTANDING INSTITUTION!! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name: Bob Moore

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name of W-L. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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**Mr. John Buynitzky**

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Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: By all means keep the Washington - Lee High School name. Changing the name for fatuous reason would not be an intelligent response. Alumnus 1963 Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Dan Dertke

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am strongly against renaming W-L. I don't think there has been sufficient input from the community, and especially from the W-L community. I think the W-L brand is strong and should be retained. I agree with comments that changing the name will erase the school's history. I also agree with comments asking where does it end - if we re-name W-L because both men owned slaves, shouldn't we rename Arlington itself? What about Washington Blvd? The Renaming PIP calls for a recommendation and an alternate but does not exclude "no action" as the recommendation; the committee should recommend no change. As an alternative, the name should be retained but Lee should refer to Henry Lee. The best argument against recognizing Robert E. Lee is that he was a traitor; honoring his father, Henry, removes that issue. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

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**Comments:**

Mr. Douglas Huey

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Name Douglas Huey

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a 1972 Washington-Lee graduate and a member of the Washington-Lee / Arlington Community, I emphatically implore the School Board to NOT CHANGE THE NAME of Washington-Lee High School. In the words of George Orwell, "the most effective way to destroy people is to deny and obliterate their own understanding of their history. The Arlington Public School Board actions are teaching the current students the perfect example of government DECEPTION and DECEIT. I IMPLORE THE SCHOOL BOARD TO LISTEN TO THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE ARLINGTON COMMUNITY TO KEEP THE NAME WASHINGTON-LEE. Respectfully Douglas Huey W-L class of 1972
Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail
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Comments: Mr. Joan Cocker

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Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: 11/15/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Warnings: 1 of 2 duplicate letters to person and 1 of 2 to household
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Cocker
Activity: Msp: 0 Open, 1 Recent

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Name Susan Bulk  
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L  
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do NOT change the name of Washington-Lee! Do not try to erase or rewrite history. We learn from good and bad. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

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In the image, there are multiple email messages and responses regarding renaming Washington-Lee High School. The emails are discussing the opposition to changing the school's name, with some recommending keeping the current name due to its historical and social significance. The emails also include comments from various individuals, including Charles Higbee, Diane Babb Anthony, and Dr. Harry M. Leichtman, expressing their views on the renaming process. The messages are part of a discussion held on the APS website, with the usernames and addresses redacted for privacy. The emails highlight the importance of the school's name to its community and the historical context behind the opposition to renaming.
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Name Harry M. Leichtman, Ph.D. Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I was a class officer and proud graduate of the W-L 1968 class. I will gladly provide a more detailed response if helpful. In the moment, I strongly oppose the re-naming of this remarkable institution. The Virginians it honors - though both flawed - evidenced integrity and achievement. Is that what high school is about? Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Kandy Glover Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Keep the W-L name!! NO CHANGE!! I am outraged about the SB ignoring their publicly presented process and time line and holding an unscheduled vote in June. This was a vote that was NOT on the published agenda nor was it ever presented as an information item, as required. Per the students who sued the school board, the SB did add it to the online agenda AFTER the fact. The SB also amended the meeting minutes to hide this fact. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Ms. Norma Harrington Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I strongly oppose the re-naming of this remarkable institution. The Virginians it honors - though both flawed - evidenced integrity and achievement. Is that what high school is about? Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Comments: Mr. Greg Anderson

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Name Greg Anderson  Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am opposed to changing the name of W-L HS. In changing the name are we somehow whitewashing history, sanitizing history, somehow altering history, making history more acceptable. History is precious; we learn from history, and try to avoid making those mistakes. You can change words all day long, but you can never change history. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Comments: Mr. Charles Reeve

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Name Charles Reeve Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do NOT change the name of Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Comments: Mr. John Hummet
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Name John Hummet Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: By changing the name of W-L, you are completely disrespecting the courageous students and their parents who participated in the historic desegregation. You should be ashamed of yourself! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Comments: Ms. Mary Louise Cotulla
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Name Mary Louise Cotulla Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As an alumnus, I strongly oppose any name change for W-L. The name Washington-Lee has stood for excellence for many years and should remain the same. Furthermore, the name changing process was never done properly in the first place. There is no reason to change the name of this historic institution. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Ms. Lynda Jett
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Name Lynda Jett Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change Washington-Lee High School name. It has been that since mid 1900. It has been a fine and noble school. I am a proud graduate of W-L. We had wonderful teachers, administrators, and students. Don't change the name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Mr. William Moser
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Subject: Engage with APS

Name William Moser Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: If the name of W-L must be changed, my suggestion for the new name is THE GENERALS WASHINGTON & LEE HIGH SCHOOL Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name rob elkins

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Name Phil Klingelhofer

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even including the matter on the meeting agenda. And what was this important action taken with such haste and secrecy? Was the School Board taking steps to rein in the incredible financial burden of new school construction for, apparently, decades to come, smothering capital spending for other county needs and priorities? Was it addressing falling school test scores, or school differences and minority student achievement, which seem to be at least in part based on socio-economic factors? Was it finding ways to better utilizing school properties to protect open space? Rest assured, it was much more momentous that those — it was about changing the name of Washington-Lee High School. This action was taken despite the facts that Arlington public opinion polls have shown a significant majority of the public and of W-L alumni opposed a name change, despite the facts which show that Robert E. Lee played a significant role in reconciliation between North and South after the war, serving as a model for civic and social understanding and change and was pardoned by Congress. In fact, W-L High School was the first Virginia high school to be integrated, making the name all the more appropriate. Also, this ill-considered decision adds unnecessary but very real costs associated with the name change to a strapped APS budget, money that should be put towards real educational purposes. What are the priorities of the School Board, political correctness and the deft change of focus from real problems that should be addressed to an inconsequential matter, copying tactics favored by many of our national political leaders? Let's all work together to make our schools and the education of all of our children better! Fortunately, we the opportunity, nay, the responsibility to turn away from divisiveness and pandering and focus on improving our schools for all students and addressing real problems and vote against divisiveness and pandering. The irony of this poorly thought-out move to change the name because of a failure to understand Robert E. Lee's history and actions after the war, when he was a model for political and social reconciliation. Was he flawed? Of course; we all are. But he is an integral part of the history of Virginia and demonstrates that people can change for the better to support the common good and character truly matters. Washington-Lee High School represents the best of our community, and the name should remain one of which we can all be proud. Both George Washington and Robert E. Lee were historic figures who helped shape Virginia and the United States of American, and their names, with achievements, flaws, and proper historical context, should remain linked to our premier high school.

*PS: If the tide of historic revisionism and political correctness ultimately swamps good reason and focus on education, I urge that the school name be changed to honor George Washington and Henry Lee III, better known as Light Horse Harry Lee, the latter replacing his son, so the Washington-Lee High School Generals can continue to be grounded in our past and proudly lead our community into the future. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community
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Name Rosalind Hoagland Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I do NOT want the name of Washington-Lee High School changed. Both generals and their families honored in the name have a long history in Arlington and a name change is NOT called for. The SB has ignored the desires of the community in its rush to be politically correct and its process is highly suspect. Please pay attention to the desires of the community and do not change the name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Nolan FORNESS Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I graduated from Washington -Lee High School in 1967. The school was one of the top rated schools in America at that time. We were known for are Academics and our sports programs. Many people knew of the Washington - Lee. Several of my friends parents attended the school before they did. History is history and we can’t change the path that our nation took. We need to move forward and I choose to keep the name the same for the school that I so proudly attended. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Comments:
Mr. George R. Shultz Tyler

Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Incoming
Subject: Naming Process - W-L

Respectfully, do NOT change the name of Washington-Lee. Leave it as is and do not bring a name change forward in the future. George R. Shultz W-L Class of 1969

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:33am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL SUPPORT - Support WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 
Mr. Richard Gaspard
No postal address available

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Richard Gaspard Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Recommend CHANGING the name. Recommend choosing Washington-Lincoln or Washington-Lafayette, as this recognizes significant positive figures in country's history and keeps the W-L abbreviation. Thank you. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:11am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 
Mr. Thomas Carey
No postal address available

Subject: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestion for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Naming Process - W-L

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018
Issue: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Gaspard
Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: 11/15/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Warnings: 2 of 2 duplicate letters to person and 2 of 2 to household
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr Carey
Activity: Msg: 0 Open, 1 Recent

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Thomas &quot;Mike&quot; Carey

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not change the name of W-L high school. Keeping the name honors the reality of our past. We should not seek to erase historical names as was done in the Soviet Union, China and other tyrannical governments. R. L. Lee was a vastly important figure in Arlington’s history. Honor and respect the reality of our past. Don't seek to erase it for political correctness. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 

Ms. Donna Porter Porter (Nelson)

Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: Not viewed
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Salutation: FORMAL - Ms. Porter (Nelson)

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Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Donna Porter (Nelson)

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Renaming any school will NOT change history. It sweeps the history under the rug and ignores it. We are supposed to learn from history and renaming schools does not do that. The large amount of money that needs to be spent on renaming could certainly be better used for school supplies for less fortunate students who I am sure are more concerned about everyday living things like food, clothing, and housing. They could care less about a name. This is an expensive and stupid wave that very thin skinned people started. Arlington County Public Schools does not need to join that wave. George Washington and Robert E. Lee were involved in some ugly history. Removing the names will not change that. Future students need to be taught that so it will not be repeated. Perhaps we need to change how things are taught not what is taught. After all it is history for all to learn and decide for themselves, not be told what to think. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Other

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Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:11am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Ms. Brenda Mutter

Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: Not viewed
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS  
Name Brenda Mutter  
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I oppose renaming the school. It is a tribute to history, and not to the ideas being opposed. Many alumni and community members are proud of this school and it’s name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
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**E-Mail**

Date In: 11/13/2018  
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am  
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change  
Subject: Engage with APS  
Comments:  
Ms. Lynda Jett  
No postal address available

**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS  
Name Lynda Jett  
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change my high school’s name of Washington-Lee. It has been that name since the mid 20th century and known as such for its excellence in education. I am a proud graduate, thankful to administration and instructors. Do not change my school’s name. L.P. Jett Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
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**E-Mail**

Date In: 11/13/2018  
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am  
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change  
Subject: Engage with APS  
Comments:  
Mr. David Holland  
No postal address available

**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
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Subject: Engage with APS

Name David Holland  Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am a Arlington county native and Washington-Lee high school graduate. I am firmly opposed to the renaming of my Alma mater. Both of these great men did much to form the diverse inclusive Commonwealth Virginia is. I also implore the School board to follow the process as it is written and not to rush or subvert it. This school is approaching its 100 year anniversary and should be named the same from now on! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am
Issue: ENAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:  

Mr. Rodney Blakestad
No postal address available

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Rodney Blakestad  Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a 1966 graduate of W-L, I oppose any change of the name Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:11am
Issue: ENAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:  

Ms. Paulette Dartez Holden
No postal address available

Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Paulette Dartez Holden  Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a 1970 graduate of Washington & Lee High School I am completely opposed to the renaming of this school. Furthermore, the school board has acted in violation of their own policies and guidelines in order to undermine the will of the vast majority of Washington & Lee alumni. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?
Arlington Community

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:13am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 
Mr. Robert Cocker
No postal address available

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Response: Re: Engage with APS
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E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:13am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 
Mr. Neal Harper
No postal address available

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Response: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
the name of political correctness shows weak leadership and denies the opportunity to learn from history. Attempting to erase historical facts, figures, and truths is akin to the NAZI Party in Germany and Communist regimes in Soviet Russia and China. DO NOT let this happen! Keep the good name of Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:13am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Mr. Kenton Hamaker
No postal address available

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Kenton Hamaker, Jr. Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I graduated from W-L in 1958 and my sister in 1955. My class just celebrated our 60th reunion and we strongly sang "W-L Will Shine Tonight". I identify with Washington-Lee High School as I do with the United States of America, whole heartedly! Do NOT change the name. Do not revise history. Do not be smug with political correctness. The citizens have the brains and understanding to fit the name with the times as they do in understanding the school's namesake's times. They were great Americans and must be honored for their times and character. KEEP THE NAME! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:13am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Mr. Carl Shoff
No postal address available

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Carl Shoff Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I graduated from W-L in 1958 and my sister in 1955. My class just celebrated our 60th reunion and we strongly sang "W-L Will Shine Tonight". I identify with Washington-Lee High School as I do with the United States of America, whole heartedly! Do NOT change the name. Do not revise history. Do not be smug with political correctness. The citizens have the brains and understanding to fit the name with the times as they do in understanding the school's namesake's times. They were great Americans and must be honored for their times and character. KEEP THE NAME! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions:

**Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate**

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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

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**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

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**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Peter Dabbieri

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please DO NOT change the name. I'm a '62 W-L Graduate. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

**E-Mail**

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 2:12pm
Issue: ENGAGE:WL NAME SUG - WL Name Suggestions
Subject: Fwd: W-L
Comments:

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

**Subject:** Re: Fwd: W-L

John, just to let you know I did pass your message on to the renaming committee for their information!

**Subject:** Fwd: W-L

John, just to let you know I did pass your message on to the renaming committee for their information!

Hi, Meg. One final thought, if you could share this: For a non "W-L" option, please consider "Central HS" or a variation on that, like Arlington Central High School or The Central High School. Before the school was officially named in 1925, it was referred to as "the central high school." The historical connection is nice. Perhaps some of the alumni and students who appreciate the school's history could be mollified to some degree with this idea—I don’t know. As you know, I still personally support keeping the Washington-Lee name as outlined in previous correspondence, but I realize not
everyone agrees. If the W-L name is dropped, in time, I might be okay with a "Central HS."

This will be my last input on this, and please feel free to share with the committee.

Do you have a personal email? I'd like to share some news with you, especially as you've been a friend and mentor since my high schools days.

Thanks, John

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E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 

Ms. Darlene Payne-McCoy
No postal address available

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Darlene Payne-McCoy

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with:

Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I believe this a terrible shame to rename the school. My mother AND father's family all attended Washington-Lee. Born & raised in Arlington, I believe there is no other name for the school than it's original intended naming of Washington-Lee! Why this is even being explored and EVEN HIDDEN from most people is terrible! The school name is and ALWAYS should be Washington-Lee, aka The Generals!!!! I DO NOT support any name change! WASHINGTON-LEE forever! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:45am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 

Mr. Wayne L. Fleming
No postal address available

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee.
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Wayne Fleming
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I would like those on the school board to know that I am not only opposed to the renaming of W-L, but also opposed to any other alternatives. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 1:35pm
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:
Ms. Shakti Shukla
No postal address available

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Shakti Shukla
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I went to W-L and live in North Arlington. The name change is an empty and expensive gesture. I get politics is politics and people need a way to feel better about their privilege. And racists have their reasons for liking the current name. How about hearing from those of us who are neither white nor racist, but alumni, Arlington voters, and work hard to pay taxes? Stop. Drop it. Move on. Be kind. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 1:35pm
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:
Mr. Bill Donovan
No postal address available

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Bill Donovan
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Not a big deal.

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
suggestions: The name of the school should not change. We can not erase our history. We should make it a learning experience so that everyone who graduates knows the positive things that Robert E. Lee did in addition to being in command of the Confederate Army. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:13am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Mr. Forest N. Balderson

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Forest N. Balderson Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I graduated with the Class of 1963 and I think that there is &quot;NO GOOD REASON&quot; to change the name of Washington-Lee High School to any &quot;OTHER NAME&quot;. The Arlington County School Board should be ashamed of even thinking of such a underhanded idea or approach. The name of Washington-Lee is well known across the entire Commonwealth of Virginia for school excellence in education and sports for many years. I will repeat myself &quot;Shame On the Arlington County School Board!!!!!!! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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E-Mail
Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 1:35pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Mr. Frederick Sorrell

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Frederick Sorrell Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I graduated with the Class of 1963 and I think that there is &quot;NO GOOD REASON&quot; to change the name of Washington-Lee High School to any &quot;OTHER NAME&quot;. The Arlington County School Board should be ashamed of even thinking of such a underhanded idea or approach. The name of Washington-Lee is well known across the entire Commonwealth of Virginia for school excellence in education and sports for many years. I will repeat myself &quot;Shame On the Arlington County School Board!!!!!!! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
suggestions: I have been disappointed with the reaction of APS in relation to the renaming of Washington-Lee High School. Having attended kindergarten through high school within the APS system, I am deeply saddened how this has come to be a topic. Diversity pier training was a staple of Washington-Lee and was taught in a manner to encompass ALL people. The handling of this topic has not encompassed ALL people and has not allowed for a fair process to be followed. I am vehemently against this name change and feel as though I have not had a chance to voice this fairly. Having had family teach for APS for a VERY long time, I was hopeful their statements were not true about how corrupt the system is. However, it is evident within how this process has been mishandled. I request that APS restarts this process with an intermediary in order to have a fair process for BOTH sides; something that diversity pier training emphasized greatly. The cost will be high in order to change the name on all articles required. Why not possibly mitigate the cost if possible with an arbitrator that will ensure FULL TRANSPARENCY. I am sure tax payers would appreciate this transparency. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Todd Mastric

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Margaret Filiatrault Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I would like the name to stay Washington-Lee. I especially do not like the deceit that has happened in the process. We are also modeling for our students how to disagree and problem solve in a way that is fair for the entire community. Please respect the decision making process. Men up to th early1900s also purposely discriminated against women. Does that mean no man s name should also not be allowed? Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 

Mr. Ronald Temple

No postal address available

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 

Ms. Alexandra Bocian

No postal address available

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Comments: 

Ms. Alexandra Bocian

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name: Alexandra Bocian

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Name: Russell Phipps

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: This is another way to erase history. Next are you going to rewrite the history books? This was not a decision of the community but of the individuals involved ignoring their duty to serve the community. This committee is trying force their personal opinions on the many. This is a personal agenda not that of the majority of the people in the community. The process taken was at least illegal. The name should never be changed. Washington-Lee High School forever! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Name: Mary Jacobs

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Mary Jacobs Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Career Center Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: PLEASE DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME OF WASHINGTON-LEE HIGH SCHOOL. THIS SCHOOL HAS BEEN CALLED WASHINGTON-LEE FOR OVER 90 YEARS AND HAS A PROUD HISTORY OF DIVERSITY AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALL STUDENTS!! A NAME CHANGE CANNOT ERASE HISTORY. THE NAME SHOULD BE USED AS AN EDUCATIONAL TOOL TO Recognize THE MISTAKES OF A YOUNG NATION AND TO CELEBRATE THE PROGRESS WITHIN OUR COUNTY, STATE AND NATION. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Janet Bush Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please keep the Washington-Lee name the same. Both men are key members of Virginia’s early days and worthy of being remembered and honored. Do not ramrod this ill-conceived change through, when so many are against it. Who are you trying to impress? Feel free to name other buildings of the school (gym, library, etc.) with names you may feel are more inclusive or balanced. We have had many notable alumni, and it is cavalier to just wipe the name off the map. W-L has a legacy that should be honored, not ignored or wiped away. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Ann Dufresne No postal address available
Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Ann DuFresne

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am totally against the renaming of my alma mater. It has a long, proud history of achievement of generations of students, giving a "name brand," if you will, recognized by colleges and universities. This stellar reputation will be obliterated by a rename. I am also opposed to the totally underhanded and dishonest way this has been conducted. If I learned anything at WL, I learned about democracy and due process. This process appears to have had neither. To summarize, a rename of Washington Lee High School is not worth the institutional, historical loss, and serves no positive purpose. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

Name Dan Dertke

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am strongly against renaming W-L. I don’t think there has been sufficient input from the community, and especially from the W-L community. I think the W-L brand is strong and should be retained. I agree with comments that changing the name will erase the school’s history. I also agree with comments asking where does it end - if we re-name W-L because both men owned slaves, shouldn’t we rename Arlington itself? What about Washington Blvd? The Renaming PIP calls for a recommendation and an alternate but does not exclude "no action" as the recommendation; the committee should recommend no change. As an alternative, the name should be retained but Lee should refer to Henry Lee. The best argument against recognizing Robert E. Lee is that he was a traitor; honoring his father, Henry, removes that issue.
Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?
Current Parent

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**Ms. Carolyn Koehler Offutt**  
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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Carolyn Koehler Offutt Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not change the name of Washington-Lee High School. Those who fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it - Churchill Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

**Outgoing**

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**Mr. Ronald D. Boykin**  
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**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Ron Boykin Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I emphatically disagree with changing the name of Washington and Lee high school. I have grown up and lived in this county for 60+ years and this is a complete waste of time and taxpayers dollars. LEAVE HISTORY ALONE! I am also a graduate of W&L. Effort would be better spent on fixing roads in a timely manner, eliminating electric scooters before somebody gets seriously hurt, and working with infrastructure to take care of all the new people in the county because of a dramatic increase in apartment construction Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Mr. Bruce Fiedelman

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Name Bruce Fiedelman

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am a 1961 graduate of W-L and am extremely proud of the fact. I was at W-L when it was first integrated and that was one of the highlights of my high school experience. I am very much opposed to any change in the name of W-L!!!

Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

APS Graduate

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Ms. Lorenza Amico

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Lorenza Amico

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I graduated from W-L in 1975. At that time and since the combination of George Washington and Robert E. Lee in the high school’s name did not seem odd or strange and I have been ambivalent about changing the name. However, the recent...civil strife in Charlottesville has caused me to rethink that position. The strident defense of the confederate battle flag and the statues of confederate generals as symbols of history and heritage has caused me to consider what that heritage actually is. I concluded that the battle flag, the statues of confederate generals, and the schools and buildings named after those generals all represent some of the worst aspects of our shared history and heritage: slavery, Jim Crow laws, lynchings, and treason. Naming Washington-Lee after two southern generals at first seems rather innocuous, however, the
two should not have equal weight in our pantheon of heroes. Washington was a founding father, the general of the revolutionary army, our first president. I have no doubt that, had the revolution been lost, he, and all our founding fathers, would have been hanged as traitors—but it wasn't lost and history is written by the victors. In contrast, Robert E. Lee chose to join the southern confederacy; he chose treason over loyalty to the country he swore to defend against all enemies, foreign and domestic. I think the time has come to cease to honor as heroes those who chose treason over loyalty. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Ms. Marie Cheek

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Marie Cheek Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the school name. Washington–Lee has been our neighborhood school for nearly 100 years. It is a historic school and we are proud of our school, its heritage, it’s wonderful educational atmosphere, and it’s name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Ms. Louise Burghart

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Louise Burghart Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the school name. Washington–Lee has been our neighborhood school for nearly 100 years. It is a historic school and we are proud of our school, its heritage, it’s wonderful educational atmosphere, and it’s name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I disagree with the School Board’s decision to change W-L's name and the way they have ignored proper procedure in dealing with the issue. Therefore, I am stating that I do NOT want the name changed. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Subject: DO NOT CHANGE W-L NAME

As a longtime resident and W-L alumni, I strongly urge you NOT to change the name of Washington-Lee High School. From the beginning of time, civilizations have realized that we should learn from our history and not try to erase it. Because...it is a living fact and cannot be erased! I have friends and family who have experienced the heartache, anger, animosity, hate, division etc. in the changing of the JEB Stuart High School name. DO NOT impose this on Arlingtonians of all ages. That change was made without any consideration of the community, when the majority was opposed. It was downloaded on them!

Keep Arlington united and proud. Show the world that we can accept our history, learn and accept it, and show by example how to go forward. DO NOT CHANGE THE WASHINGTON-LEE HIGH SCHOOL NAME. Mary Benn

Outgoing

Subject: Re: DO NOT CHANGE W-L NAME

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Name Carol LaCovey Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process -

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am emphatically opposed to the renaming of Washington-Lee high school. Both namesakes are important in our nation's history and we absolutely should not rename the school just to be politically correct. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Ms. Fran Olsen
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Name Fran Olsen Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not change the name of Washington-Lee High School. The process for changing school names has not been followed. The community should be allowed to participate. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name W-L Alumni Association Email Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: From the W-L Alumni Association. 11.13.18 Note that copy and pasting into this online form has issues so if this is a compilation seems to be disjointed, that is part of the reason. Please deliver and review this with all of the committee members. This should be done at the beginning of the 11.14.18 meeting. Committee members need to be aware of

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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what the process and timeline were supposed to be based on. They also need to be aware they were not even supposed to be there. IF the Ad Hoc committee decided the name should be changed, the SB would vote on this in Dec 2018 or Jan 2019. If the decision was to change the name, a name selection committee would be formed in the Spring of 2019 and the board would vote in June 2019. An actual implementation would not occur until the Fall of 2020. Those are all FACTS. Please bear in mind this is the very tip of this iceberg. The reason we are shining a light on this is because most if not all of the committee members have absolutely no idea what Barbara, the SB, Superintendent, and Linda have done. None. You need to know. And you need to TALK ABOUT IT. Allowing Linda and Sian to dissuade you from discussing this is perpetuating their underhanded, deceitful actions. Is that what you want to do? Is that your goal? Our guess is no. We feel if you are informed about what happened, as a team, you would inform the SB that you want to stop the name selection process. Committee members who do not want to discuss the process may need to look inside and ask themselves if the SBs actions meet with their views on moral and ethical behavior. If the end justifies the means, a reset of your moral compass may be in order. If you do not feel that way.....then do something about it.....! There are reasons they have been sued. Va Law stipulates that SB Polices are to be followed and strictly enforced. Were that not enough, the board has simply acted with Purposeful Deceit. That is the term the student plaintiffs have come up with. Premeditated Malfeasance is also an apt term to describe what they have done. Everything they have done was done with mal intent. There are no clean hands here. One example of this is the fact that prior to the horrific events in Charlottesville, the board had only received TWO emails. That is in all of their recorded history. By law, that goes back at least 7 years. When Barb started this entire affair, that was the historic interest in changing the name. That is why James Lander and Reid Goldstein both gave speeches asking the board to avoid Knee-Jerk reactions to Cville. Their speeches were in rebuttal to Barb saying that the Bd had decided to revisit the names of schools in Arl. The problem with that is there was no vote or consensus. Barb did not have the authority to speak for the Bd. This was the first of many politically motivated moves on her part. Watch the first 15 mins of the 8.17.17 SB Meeting video. Call James Lander and talk to him about what happened. To make a long story short. The entire issue was drummed up just about out of nowhere and built on a foundation of lies. When you have looked into the details, you will come away realizing this is true. The staff committee that was to have led the entire effort was never formed. Linda cobbled together a group of staff lackeys around the beginning to the middle of May 2018. That was AFTER the AA kept trying to get her to respond to FOIA requests about this committee. When SB members were asked between Dec and March about this &quot;staff committee&quot;, the indicated they were not aware of such a committee. The Name Derivation Report the board and committee was to have created in the very beginning of the process (Oct 2017) was never created. After asking via FOIA for it numerous times and being stonewalled, one of the Alumni created it and sent it to the Board. That document was saved as an APS work product and plagiarized. The proof is irrefutable. The SB Attorney indicated the 1.30.18/2.15.18 documents were not the process the SB was to be following. The reality is that is not true. This process and timeline were praised by the Superintendent AND the Board. At no time did the Superintendent or the Board indicate this was not the process they were following. To the contrary,
this is the one and only revised process presented to the community. This is true right up to the non-scheduled vote 6.7.18. That vote was not on the agenda. It was not on the printed agenda revised as of 6.7.18 or the online agenda. Student Plaintiffs following the topic indicated it was not on the agenda until the day AFTER the meeting. This is irrefutable. The 6.7.18 meeting mins were also modified to delete evidence of documents given to the SB during the meeting. This is also a factual statement. School Naming: Revised Process for Moving Forward January 30, 2018 School Naming: Revised Process for Moving Forward Overview In the Fall 2017, APS implemented a process to gather information to develop more detailed criteria for the existing APS Naming Policy. The process was to include gathering stakeholder input through staff surveys, online community surveys, student focus groups and community focus groups. This community engagement was facilitated by students from the George Mason University School of Conflict Analysis and Resolution (SCAR). The GMU team presented a final report in December which is posted online. While the focus of the process was to generate feedback on wording for the criteria, most participants focused solely on whether APS should or should not rename Washington-Lee High School. As a result, the recommendations in the GMU SCAR report mostly address the issues around renaming Washington-Lee: 1. This process should not be rushed, with enough time built in for all stakeholders to contribute to the discussion. 2. There should be two separate efforts – that allow enough time and transparency for community engagement – to address the process and criteria to: (a) name future schools, and (b) consider renaming existing schools. 3. There is a strong desire for consensus on the process and criteria for school names, and to bring together representatives from faculty, staff, alumni, students, and community members. NOTE: Once again, the “process” recommended is mostly a reference to the committee and procedure to be used to make a decision about naming or renaming Washington-Lee. The makeup of a “school naming” committee is already defined in the School Naming PIP. 4. As part of the instructional program and other activities, continue to provide additional opportunities for students to discuss the effects of racism. Additional Factors While the recommendations above call for slowing the process down and delaying a decision about Washington-Lee, APS will need to begin naming processes for a number of schools: • The new middle school at the Stratford site • The neighborhood school to be developed at the Drew Model School site • The new Montessori school to be developed at the Henry school site • The name for the building being built on Wilson Boulevard that will house the H-B and Stratford programs In addition, other facilities in the planning stages that will need naming decisions include: • The new elementary school at the Reed site • The school or program at the Education Center site Revised Approach Phase I: October–December 2017 – GMU Engagement – COMPLETE Phase II: February/March 2018 – Staff committee will proceed with developing Draft Naming Criteria to be used to name future schools (new schools/projects listed above) Phase III: April/May 2018 – School Board to approve Draft Criteria/Revised School Naming Policy Phase IV – New School Names: • June-August – In accordance with the School Naming PIP, recruit committee membership for 4 School Naming Committees for School Board approval (Stratford, Montessori, Drew and Wilson facilities) • Fall 2018 – 4 School Naming Committees convened to develop school name recommendations • December 2018 – Approval of 4 New School Names Phase IV – WL School Name: Separate
Process for Washington-Lee Renaming Decision • June-August 2018 – Develop & Recruit Ad Hoc Committee to Lead Community Conversation • Finalize Charge, to include engagement and community conversations • Identify outside Facilitator for process who understands cultural sensitivity of the topic • Co-Chairs? Keep and Change? • Membership: W-L students, staff, alumni Historical Society Civic Associations or Civic Federation NAACP, Hispanic Community, etc. County, CCPTA, Other? • September-December 2018 – Ad Hoc Committee: Community Conversations • December 2018/January 2019 – School Board Decision • January-March 2019: If SB decides to change WL name – Renaming Process Undertaken • June 2019 – School Board approves new name New Name would start – Sept 2020 • Other Considerations • Can APS include a question about this on the Community Satisfaction Survey? • Other opportunities to solicit input? See snip herein from the 2.1.18 SB Meeting Mins: NOTES FROM THE W-L Alumni Association: 1. This is representative of THE one and only very detailed revised and approved process presented to the public in the Feb 1 and 15 school board meetings via the slides below. It was PRAISED by the Superintendent’s office as well as Barbara Kanninen and the other board members. Right up until the time she/they snuck the 6.7.18 vote in, this was and still is THE process and timeline to be followed. There is no ambiguity whatsoever in this regard. This process was clearly acknowledged as being THE process to use moving forward. Actually, the 2.15.18 Superintendents report moved the timeline for W-L out even further. That has the timeline for beginning the process to choose a new name occurring in the FALL OF 2020. Seems we are TWO YEARS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE…! See slides below presented at the 2.15.18 meeting. See the 3rd frame below. 2. The Ad Hoc committee described in the very first step of the W-L process was to lead the discussion as to whether the name W-L should be changed, NOT to select a new name. There is obviously a very important distinction. 3. 4. Note that the above snip (WHICH WOULD NOT PASTE INTO THIS WEB FORM) indicates that EACH SB Meeting Agenda is made public ONE week prior to the meeting. This is typical. It is also is indicated in the SBs general guidelines regarding the timely issuance of agendas.

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS Item C-1-c School Board Meeting February 1, 2018 The Arlington School Board convened on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 6:01 PM at 1426 North Quincy Street, Arlington, Virginia.1 Prior to the meeting, Board members attended a reception for teachers who received National Board Certification/Recertification. E. MONITORING ITEMS: (7:49 PM) 1. Superintendent’s 2017-18 Action Plan Update: Dr. Murphy introduced the update on the status of ongoing initiatives. First, Ms. Erdos shared information on the School/Facility Naming Policy initiative. She reviewed completed work which included receipt of the report from the GMU School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution that provided feedback from focus groups. She also outlined next steps, noting the timeline has been adjusted to respond to the community feedback that was received. These steps are to identify names for the new schools under construction/renovation first, and then to determine whether the community should consider changing any current school names. Info and the link below is from the 2.2.18 APS NEWS RELEASE https://www.apsva.us/post/school-board-approves-2018-19-school-year-calendar/ Staff Updates Board on School Naming Criteria Process School Board Approves 2018-19 School Year Calendar Posted on February 2, 2018 at 2:07 pm. Staff Updates Board on School Naming Criteria Process The Arlington School Board approved the 2018-19 school year
calendar at last night’s meeting. Key Dates in the proposed calendar include: SCHOOL NAMING CRITERIA The Staff Committee (THIS IS THE COMMITTEE THAT WAS TO HAVE BEEN CREATED IN SEPT/OCT 2017 TO LEAD THE ENTIRE PROCESS. IT WAS NEVER REALLY FORMED. W-L AA FOIA REQUESTS IN APRIL 2018 ASKING FOR MEETING MINIS WERE MET WITH RESISTANCE BECAUSE THE COMMITTEE HAD NOT BEEN FORMED. THIS IS THE COMMITTEE THAT WAS SUPPOSEDLY HARD AT WORK FROM OCT 2017 THROUGH FEB AND MARCH AS INDICATED HEREIN) will be working during February and March to develop more expanded naming criteria for the current APS School Naming Policy, and a recommendation for the revised criteria will be presented to the Board in the Spring. Once approved, the new Naming Criteria will be used next fall to select names for the new middle school at the Stratford site; to approve or revise the name of the new neighborhood elementary school at the Drew site; a name for the new Primary and Elementary Montessori school at the Henry site; and a name for the new building at the Wilson site. Acknowledging that community input on the name of Washington-Lee High School, the process has been revised to create an Ad Hoc Community Committee that will engage the community in a more extensive conversation around the Washington-Lee name next fall with the help of an independent facilitator. The community will make their report to the School Board in December 2018 which will inform the School Board’s decision to maintain the current name or to rename the high school. The full report and input received in the fall on the school naming and criteria has been posted online. (ALTHOUGH APPROVED AND PRaised, THE DETAILED STEPS ABOVE NEVER HAPPENED. SEE THE 1.30.18 REVISED PROCESS AND THE 2.15.18 SUPERINTENDENTS UPDATE. THAT WAS THE PROCESS THAT WAS TO HAVE BEEN FOLLOWED), MONITORING ITEMS: • Superintendent’s 2017-18 Action Plan Update – Murphy updated the Board on other efforts underway on the action plan to support the Board’s work this year. School Board Meeting Minutes 2.15.18 ARlington Public SChools Item c-1-b School Board Meeting and Closed Meeting February 15, 2018 The Arlington School Board convened on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 5:33 PM at 1426 North Quincy Street, Arlington, Virginia.1 E. MONITORING ITEMS: (8:18 PM) 1. Superintendent’s 2017-18 Action Plan Update: Dr. Murphy presented the update, reviewing the status of the initiatives in the 2017-18 Action Plan. Ms. Erdos reviewed the status of the School/Facility Naming Policy initiative and Dr. Murphy then updated the Board on the acceptable use policy being revised, and development of the inclusion policy. He reviewed initiatives related to preparations for new schools and program moves, including the elementary school planning initiative. After reviewing operational planning initiatives such as the Capital Improvement Plan, the Strategic Plan and the FY19 budget, Dr. Murphy also highlighted capital initiatives. In closing, he encouraged all to visit the Engage Web page for updates. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community
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Name: Eva Glow Arwood Brownlow

Eva Glow Arwood Brownlow

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am outraged the SB ignored their publicly presented process and time line and held an unscheduled vote in June. I am outraged at the suggested renaming of Washington-Lee High School, this is an act of hatred by hateful Americans that are determined to erase history. The corrupt school board who hide their actions and evidence (see how they did a bait and switch to remane Jeb Stuart) continues with this action, they should burn W-L to the ground, as it no longer exist. I VOTE AS A GRAD OF WASHINGTON-LEE TO NEVER CHANGE THE NAME. The suggested names are mostly disgusting and in some cases totally racial or un-american. DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME OF WASHINGTON-LEE HIGH SCHOOL. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Comments:

Ms. Pamela H. Knudson

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Name: Pamela H Knudson

Pamela H Knudson Long time Arlingtonian

Sent from my iPhone

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Subject: Re: Renaming W-L HS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
I believe that the School Board should retain the name of Washington-Lee (W-L) High School, rather than to affirmatively respond to pressures related to current "political correctness". However, if the name of W-L is to be changed, I recommend that the new name should be "George Washington Parke Custis High School". George Washington Parke Custis (GWP Custis) was one of the most important people in the history of Arlington County. He was the only grandson of Martha Dandridge Custis Washington, President George Washington's wife. As the "adopted" grandson of George Washington, he was raised at Mount Vernon and was a member of the nation's "first family" when George Washington was President. As an adult, G.W.P. Custis built and named "Arlington House", for which Arlington National Cemetery and Arlington County are named. He preserved George Washington's memorabilia, some of which are now displayed at Mount Vernon and at the Smithsonian Institution's Museum of American History. GWP Custis was an influential person in his time. He wrote a number of plays and delivered orations about George Washington. He was instrumental in the development of the Washington Monument in Washington, D.C. He laid the District of Columbia's stone that still remains within the walls of the Monument. G.W.P. Custis was politically active. He served as a Justice of the Peace and oversaw local elections. He represented Alexandria County (now Arlington County) at the meetings of the Virginia General Assembly that ratified Alexandria County's retrocession from the District of Columbia to the Commonwealth of Virginia. G.W.P. Custis was a liberal in his actions and public statements. He hosted St. Patrick Day's events for Irish immigrants at a time that many in the U.S. resented these new arrivals and opposed their immigration. G.W.P. Custis inherited many of Martha Washington's slaves. He is known to have treated them well and to have emancipated some during his lifetime. G.W.P. Custis was a member of a society that advocated the abolition of slavery and the establishment of a homeland for freed slaves in Africa. This society's efforts resulted in the creation of the nation of Liberia. His will provided for the emancipation of all of his slaves. G.W.P. Custis's daughter, Mary, married Robert E. Lee. As a result, G.W.P. Custis was Robert E. Lee's father-in-law. G.W.P. Custis was therefore a link between George Washington and Robert E. Lee. It would therefore be highly appropriate for Arlington Public Schools to rename "Washington-Lee High School" to "George Washington Parke Custis High School" if the School Board decides to rename the school. Unlike some of the people whose names have been proposed to replace the name of W-L High School, G.W.P. Custis was important to the history of Arlington County. His liberal political views resembled those of many who now live in the County. Addendum: I would like to note that, as I informed the School Board at two recent meetings and in
writing, the Board has erroneously selected a representative of the Lyon Park Civic Association (LPCA) to serve on the W-L Renaming Committee. This was violation of the Board’s approved rules for selecting these representatives. Those rules stated that the four neighborhood civic associations nearest to W-L would serve on the Committee. The Buckingham Community Civic Association’s (BCCA) boundaries are 0.1 mile closer to W-L than are the boundaries of the LPCA. As the President of the BCCA, I had submitted an application to serve on the Renaming Committee as the BCCA representative in a timely manner. Nevertheless, the School Board voted to place a representative of the LPCA on the Committee, rather than myself or any other BCCA member. This was a travesty, as it deprived BCCA of its right to be represented on the Renaming Committee. It appears that the School Board and its staff were ignorant of the geography of the area near W-L, as maps clearly show that BCCA is closer to W-L than is the LPCA. As the Renaming Committee is not properly constituted, any recommendations regarding that it may make regarding the renaming will be null and void if the School Board does not name me to the Committee. At the November 8, 2018, School Board meeting, I informed the Board that I had not yet received a response from APS to my request to be added to the Renaming Committee, although more than a month had elapsed since I had made that request. At the meeting, the Board Chair, Reid Goldstein, informed an APS assistant superintendent, Linda Erdos, that she should discuss this with me. Although we had this discussion, neither Ms. Erdos nor Mr. Goldstein has responded in writing to my request that I be named to the Committee. I consider this to be inexcusable, as APS is presently depriving me of my right to be represented on the Committee in a timely manner.

Subject: Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The name of Washington-Lee High School should not be changed. It is beyond me how people like Barbara Kanninen think they can change history based on a personal whim and ignore the desires of a vast majority. There will soon be an opening in Broward county Fl where Kanninen and her constituents can continue their agenda’s and do so with the backing of most. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

Arlington Community

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Mark Wilson

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The renaming of W-L is not just an attempt to wipe out or re-write history, but also what many would consider a nefarious act. I look at this with the following objectivity. Every single slave-owner was a democrat. That’s a fact. Not a single slave owner was a republican. So … if this nonsense is going to continue, then we have to take it to its logical conclusion. Any school, public building, highway, etc. named after a democrat … at least until Senator Robert Byrd (a KKK grand wizard), should be removed and renamed. This would also have to include President Johnson because of his well-known hatred of blacks, which is well documented; even by today’s liberals … https://tinyurl.com/racistJohnson. President Johnson knew that his "civil rights" strategy would re-enslave millions.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g_a7dQXiCo

Leave Washington and Lee alone. There were mistakes on both sides. Many believe the South had every right to succeed. And most importantly, it is a history fact that Lincoln did not start the war to free the slaves. Simply read his first inaugural address for yourself:

https://liberalarts.utexas.edu/coretexts/_files/resources/texts/c...

Then read this … https://tinyurl.com/civilwartruth Please put an end to this nonsense of renaming our great highschool.

While I may have considerable respect for the school board, it is not hard to understand why many at this point consider the Arlington County School Board a disgusting lot of phony social jucistic warriors. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Jean Kingsbury Jacobs Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: My grandfather GAVE the land on which W-L was built so that Arlington students did not have to travel to DC as my mother and her siblings did for high school. This school has a proud and renown tradition of excellence. We and our parents proudly desegregated this school without incidence in the 1960s and stood as a landmark to the rest of Virginia. Please do not erase this rich history. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 1:55pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 

Mr. William A. Clineburg Jr.
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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Bill Clineburg Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Strongly oppose Oppose your failure to follow your own process Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:11am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: 

Mr. Stephen Matsumoto
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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Stephen Matsumoto Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Strongly oppose Oppose your failure to follow your own process Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Gentlemen/ladies, it has been brought to my attention by my fellow alumni that an underhanded method by the county school board attempting to rename W-L is currently underway and was voted on in a manner not in accordance with the rules and regulations. Not including it in the current agenda of the meeting or in the outline of the meeting as it is to be submitted one week prior to the meeting is a clear violation. Then attempting to vote on it after the meeting was over is another very serious violation. This needs to be investigated and if the rules were violated those responsible need to be held accountable to the fullest extent of the law. It is at this juncture where A third-party needs to be brought into investigate this very serious matter. The integrity of the school board is now in question and needs to be challenged in the strongest terms and manners possible. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Name Cy Hulse Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: how will this re-naming actually help the school? it will make the school board members feel like social justice warriors, like they have 'taken a stand' against injustice. what crap. IF this had been an issue for the community, it would have been brought up by the community before now, not as a me-too- i want to be a sjw- activist. get to work to improve the schools, quit your grandstanding Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Name Cullen Hutchinson Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions:
Subject: Engage with APS

Name CULLEN HUTCHINSON

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Career Center
Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a graduate of W&L Class of 1969 I want to register my opposition to changing the name of my alma mater. W&L was a positive experience for my. As the son of a diplomat living overseas I never interacted with African Americans until I returned to the US for my sophomore year. I made many black friends and their friendship helped form the person I am today. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 1:35pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Dr. Mark Rogers

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 1:35pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Re: Washington-Lee renaming
Comments:

Ms. Joan McCracken

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Good morning,

I have been keeping up with the renaming of my high school, Washington-Lee. I've wondered how many, if any, of the school board members actually grew up in Arlington? Are you transplants from somewhere else? Do you have good memories of your hometown? I loved growing up in Arlington and have many fond memories of my time at Washington-Lee. I'm glad that I can say that I attended the oldest school in the county.

Yes, slavery WAS a horridous institution and thank God it's over. Unfortunately it's part of the history of Virginia, history that can't be changed. Something that occurred over 150 years ago. But what's next? Changing the name of Arlington County (named after Lee's plantation)? Lee Highway? Leesburg? Leesburg Pike?

Come on people, it's history, the past. Accept it. Washington-Lee is a big part of Arlington County history and you can't change history. Keep the name!

Joan McCracken  Class of '82

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Arlington? Yes, slavery WAS horrible and thank God it’s over. In the past. History. History that can’t be changed. What’s next? Changing the name of Arlington County (Lee's plantation)? Lee Highway? Leesburg? Come on people, it’s history, the past. Let it go and accept what is. SO many of us have fond memories of Washington-Lee and are proud of our school. Leave the name alone. Joan McCracken Class of ’82

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hard work but I feel a name change would, although possibly unintentional, be a show of disrespect to this great school and its alumni. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 1:35pm
Issue: ENGAAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Ms. Linda Madacey Hamp

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Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Linda Madacey Hamp [redacted]

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am COMPLETELY and TOTALLY AGAINST the renaming of W-L High School and believe that the way the School Board, and especially the Chairman, handled this action to be against all rules and against democracy. Pay attention to your constituents and DO NOT CHANGE the name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail

Date In: 11/13/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 1:35pm
Issue: ENGAAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Mr. James Millen

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Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name James Millen [redacted]

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a graduate of W-L High School, I strongly support the vast majority of W-L alumni in favor of no change in the name. James R. Millen (W-L class of 1962) U.S. Marine Corps (1966-1969) FBI Special Agent (1969-2001) Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Allen Anderson. Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am extremely disappointed you are trying to change the school name. Very childish and inappropriate. W-L has a long history of success. Inappropriate to change/kill that history Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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**E-Mail**

**Date In:** 11/12/2018  
**Modified:** 11/13/2018 - 1:46pm  
**Issue:** ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change  
**Subject:** Engage with APS  
**Comments:** Ms. Lisa Bell  

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**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
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**E-Mail**

**Date In:** 11/12/2018  
**Modified:** 11/15/2018 - 11:13am  
**Issue:** ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change  
**Subject:** Engage with APS  
**Comments:** Ms. Karen Pendergrass  

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**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS  
Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
or suggestions: I do not support the renaming of W-L. The SB conduct should be investigated. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail
Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/13/2018 - 4:15pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Mr. Conrad Gaarder
Status: Closed E-Mail 11/13/2018
Viewed: 11/13/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Gaarder

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Conrad Gaarder Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: We owe it to George Washington and Robert E.Lee and to all those who are gone but who were connected to our high school and revered the name to KEEP THE NAME AS IT IS: WASHINGTON-LEE HIGH SCHOOL! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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E-Mail
Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/13/2018 - 4:15pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Ms. Mary Green
Status: Closed E-Mail 11/13/2018
Viewed: 11/13/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Salutation: FORMAL - Ms. Green

Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Subject: Engage with APS
Name Mary Green Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I think the name of the High School should not be changed. The entire process followed by the school board was extremely irregular. Definitely not &quot;The Arlington Way.&quot; Put any name change on the ballot and let the people decide. That way we will have a name that everyone knows the citizens approve of. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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E-Mail

Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Ms. Karen Von Der Bruegge
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Incoming

Subject: Engage with APS

Name Karen Von Der Bruegge
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am not in support of a name change and am distraught with the process our school board is choosing to use to ram the name change through. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

E-Mail

Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:13am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Ms. Deborah Pickett
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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Deborah Pickett
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I greatly object to changing the name of Washington Lee High school. A different name will not change the history of our county, state or country. It will only leave a scar on the memories of those who graduated and pride they carry with them as being an alumna of such a great institution. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/13/2018 - 1:48pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Mr. Richard Dempsey

Outgoing

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

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Name Richard Dempsey Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a proud 1965 graduate and national high school crew champion, I find extremely reactionary for the school board to change the name of my high school. This is a costly undertaking to show a false degree of inclusiveness. This action is right out of Totalitarian process of changing history to match the arguments of a few over the desires of the majority. Do as you will but know that your action are not necessary and harmful to many graduates of this hollowed school. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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E-Mail
Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:49am
Subject: Engage with APS

Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: 11/16/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)
Salutation: FORMAL - Ms. Valderrama

E-Mail
Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/13/2018 - 4:15pm
Subject: Engage with APS

Status: Closed E­Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: 11/16/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Response: Customized Engage Default Format 12 pt. v.3 (Include history)
Salutation: FORMAL - Ms. Valderrama
Subject: Engage with APS

Mr. Jeffrey Constantz

No postal address available

Subject: Comment:

Mr. Jeffrey Constantz

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Status: Viewed

Viewed: 11/13/2018

Assigned: Meg Tuccillo

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1 (Include history)

Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Constantz

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Subject: Engage with APS

Email from Jeffrey Constantz:

Name Jeffrey Constantz

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Keep the name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Email from Meg Tuccillo:

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Subject: Engage with APS

Email from Bob Hall:

Name Bob Hall

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am against the name change. I am a 1976 W-L High School Alumni. The Washington-Lee High School name recognition help me secure my first job after college. I am proud of my time at W-L. Leave the name "Washington-Lee High School". Also, I am ashamed of the actions of the APS board in this matter. As the guidance group over our educational institutions, what lesson is ignoring rules teaching the students? Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Email from Meg Tuccillo:

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Subject: Engage with APS

Email from JC Collier:

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Subject: Engage with APS
Name JC Collier Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not change the History of the W-L learning institution. To forget or erase the past is simply a learning mistake for future generations. Use this institution to educate. Again, please let this institution stand proud and learn form the history. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail
Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/13/2018 - 4:15pm
Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change

Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Mr. Richard Kolb
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Outgoing
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Date In: 11/12/2018
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Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change

Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Mr. Bryan Ruffner
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Outgoing
Subject: Re: Engage with APS
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Name Bryan Ruffner

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I was a 1980 W-L graduate. I recommend that APS keep the historic W-L name. I am all for raising the consciousness of our community about the failings of General Robert E. Lee, but I don’t think it is helpful or necessary for us to scrub all references to prior historic figures from our nomenclature. Over almost 100 years, students, parents, teachers & the Arlington community have worked hard to create a powerful ‘goodwill’ value associated with the name Washington-Lee High School. A student graduating from W-L automatically has distinction because of that goodwill. To throw it away would be tantamount to The Coca-Cola Company suddenly deciding that the historical linkage between 'Coca' and the original inclusion of cocaine in the beverage was unacceptable so they would change the company’s name to The Omega-Cola Company. The world would be shocked and the stock market would punish the company severely for the loss of the enormous goodwill inherent in the trade name Coca-Cola (Coke). Please do not make that mistake. The name Washington-Lee High School has tremendous meaning and value today independent of the underlying historical figures from whom its name was formed. I again urge APS to educate us all about our historical blemishes, but I think it will be counterproductive to attempt to whitewash our nomenclature. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

APS Graduate

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Subject: Engagement with APS

Name Craig Rowland

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am strongly against the changing the name of Washington-Lee High School. My interactions with the greater Arlington community support my position. In the context of history Lee was an honorable man who pushed for peace and reconciliation. Something all Arlington citizens can support. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?

Arlington Community

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:10am
Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018

Subject: Engage with APS

Mr. Craig Rowland

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Engage with APS

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Alice Williams Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I vote to absolutely keep the historic and current name of Washington-Lee High School. This name represents the school itself and the thousands of students and teachers who have been present there. The name does not simply represent the historical figures involved. The name Washington-Lee was known with pride in academics, sports, the arts, and in public service. I vote to continue the name as it is without change, and without difference in who is represented. Washington-Lee High School continues to be my vote...Class of 1963. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Karen Reider Sullivan Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: DO NOT CHANGE W-L's NAME! We're any members of the current School Board graduates of W-L? If not, I doubt they can understand the depth of feeling carried in the community for our school. I always looked at the joining of the two names and the use of "blue and gray" as symbolic of the reconciliation, as Lincoln envisioned it, of two bothers or two parts of a whole, which had been estranged, but were now reunited. I never thought of the "Lee" name in any way other than that of a defeated leader, certainly not as an intimidation or a reminder of "Southern glory." By changing the name, you take away the justified pride the students have always had in their school and in their classmates' accomplishments. We have...
earned numerous scholastic and athletic awards, and have been nationally recognized as one of the top high schools in the US. In a debate over public vs. private schools, I remember finding a two page color photo of the W-L crew winning the Princess Cup at Henley (the first year foreign crews were allowed to compete for it) in the prestigious Phillips Andover yearbook. We were in their yearbook, but they did not make ours! We also took great pride in our personal honesty and integrity and tried to be good representatives of our school and community. During my time, W-L led the state as the first high school to integrate, both peacefully and while standing with its new students against insults and slights aimed at them, and us, from still-segregated student populations and state officials. Please imagine changing our country’s name, our state’s name, or our county’s name. Arlington, after all, was Lee’s slave-holding plantation. Are you prepared to change that name? Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS?
Arlington Community

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**E-MAIL**: 11/12/2018

**Date In:** 11/12/2018

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**Issue:** ENGAGE WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change

**Subject:** Engage with APS

**Comments:**

Ms. Michele Fogg

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**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Michele Fogg

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions:

I am absolutely against the renaming of this school. From both an academic and historical perspective, renaming our schools especially here in Virginia is pure nonsense. I always hear people talking about how they are against bullying or how we should be more forgiving after someone who has been incarcerated has done their time. General Lee was a well respected man both before and after the war. To define this man’s life on one event in time is unamerican. Yes, the civil war was an awful part of our history but we can’t judge history per today’s standards. He could have fought for the Union but he chose to defend his “beloved Virginia”. What a shame how fellow Virginians are treating him now. Also, the way this has been handled is a disgrace. You are all setting a terrible example in regards to transparency. Keep the name and move on to something else that will truly make a difference in the lives of our young people. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

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Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Mr. James Landry
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Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

Name James Landry
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: My comment is specifically on the topic of renaming W-L High School. I emphatically oppose changing the name of the school. Leave it the same, W-L. As it has been since 1925. Am I clear enough? Do NOT change the name Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Ms. Donna Cobert Betts
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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Donna Cobert Betts
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: My vote is NOT to rename W-L high school. Why rename a school that has been in existence for almost 100 years. Both Washington and Lee were Virginians who loved their state and country. Lee did what he thought was right by following his beloved state. Is Arlington County going to be like other areas and rename schools because of something that at the time was considered alright. We know now it was not right. The civil war cannot be erased; we should be learning from that experience. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Other

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Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Keep the name as is. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Date In: 11/12/2018
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Mr. Douglas Adams

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E-Mail
Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/13/2018 - 2:57pm
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Mr. Thomas Hafer

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Subject: Re: Engage with APS

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Name THOMAS HAER Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The name should remain Washington-Lee. Here are the words of Charles Augins in his note to me: "Dear Tom, History cannot be changed. Whether we agree or disagree with it, it is what it is. As the 1st African American to graduate from W-L (1961), to now change the name is to change MY history, and I will not have anyone do that. While we look upon some things in horror and disgust, we must respect OUR HISTORY AND NOT TRY TO CHANGE IT OR REPEAT IT. Charles L. Augins Chair of Dance Duke Ellington School of the Arts&quo; Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Thank you for taking the time to share the views of Charles Augins about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

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Name Susan Malatesta Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do NOT change the name of W-L! The name is part of the history of the school, Arlington County, and Virginia. It is also wrong how this was approached. You ignored the timeline and scheduled a vote that was not properly announced to the public. This process should be stopped immediately. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Comments: Mr. James Frankosky
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Date In: 11/12/2018
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Issue: ENGAGE: WL SUPPORT - Support WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Mr. Charles Bittenbring
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**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

For all the proud graduates of Washington-Lee, including myself, I am against the name change. For 50 years I have been a member of this community and I'm astonished how the School Board ignores it's own rules, bypassing this community then covers up it's malfeasance in a manner that would make Richard Nixon blush. If anyone there has an ounce of integrity, they will start this entire ill-conceived process again. YOU ARE TURNING 'THE ARLINGTON WAY' INTO A JOKE! What you're doing is dividing this community and won't be forgotten. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Charles Bittenbring [Redacted]. Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: 1) Change the name of Washington-Lee High School. There is no reason to recognize any individual in school names and certainly no reason to honor someone who fought a war to maintain slavery. 2) Use this as a starting point to eliminate all names of people in naming schools and other public buildings. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

Thank you, Charles, for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

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**E-Mail**

Date In: 11/12/2018
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Mr. Bruce Vincent

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**Incoming**

**Subject:** Engage with APS

Name Bruce Vincent [Redacted]. Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I can’t even imagine why you would change the name of the school that has been around so long and has many distinguished alumni who will be hurt as a result of such name change. I can’t even begin to express my outrage at this process and what I suspect is the real reason for it. I strongly believe the name should stay the same. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

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Comments:  

Mr. Brett Fairchild

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Subject: Engage with APS
Name Brett Fairchild Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I do NOT want the name of W-L to be changed. I am also outraged regarding the School Board ignoring their publicly presented and praised process and time line and holding an unscheduled vote in June. This was a vote that was NOT on the published agenda nor was it ever presented as an information item...as required...! do NOT change the name of the W-L High School! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail
Date In: 11/12/2018
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Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Ms. Wendy Meyers
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Name Wendy Meyers Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I believe with my whole heart we should not rename Washington-Lee. This is not a new school. And history has already spoken. It may not be politically correct but neither is society and our history of a nation. Do not erase what has been already determined!! I am proud to have attended W-L. Don't take that special-ness away. Too much is being obliterated!! I vote keeping my HS namesake!! The Washington and Lee Generals!! Wendy K Meyers Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: Not viewed
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Salutation: INFORMAL - Wendy

Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
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Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
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Name William Quanrud Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I often feel strongly about issues, but I rarely make an attempt to voice my feelings. I feel very strongly that the W-L HS should keep the Washington-Lee name. From the start - not prompted by anyone else - I really felt that (1) this is an attempt to rewrite history, a la the Taliban and (2) someone is messing with our memories, which I hold dearly the older I get. So proud to have been a W-L 1979 graduate. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail
Date In: 11/12/2018
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Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments: Mr. Richard Plush

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Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Richard Plush Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: KEEP THE NAME W-L! So very many people are PROUD to have gone to W-L, and worn its name across the years and around the country and the world. My W-L crew shirt still exists in my closet, and when our Varsity crew would win the Henley WORLD regatta, everyone knew and respected the name and its people. This politically correct attempt to change history is ludicrous. Stop this foolish effort NOW. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Comments: Ms. Martha Crissman

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Name Martha Crissman Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Stated views in thecopy above.

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Salutation: FORMAL - Mr. Plush

Status: Closed E-Mail 11/13/2018
Viewed: 11/13/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1

Salutation: INFORMAL - Martha

Status: Closed E-Mail 11/15/2018
Viewed: 11/15/2018
Assigned: Meg Tuccillo
Response: ENGAGE WL Oppose v.1
Subject: Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I graduated W-L in the upper 6% in 1961. In applying to colleges in New York, where my family was to be moving, I was told that “even though I had no Regents Diploma,” graduating from W-L High School was “more than good enough” for the State of New York. W-L’s reputation was that well known. Married to a West Point graduate career army officer, I have traveled the world and taught school overseas and in the States. Employers everywhere had heard of W-L’s stellar academic reputation—I never had any trouble being hired anywhere. Even 30 years later, when I applied to substitute teach in the Fairfax County Schools, and my high school transcript was forwarded from W-L, I was hired immediately. I am vehemently against changing the name of W-L high school. I am outraged that this is even being considered, and even more so that the Arlington School Board has ignored their publicly presented and praised process and timeline in order to attempt this name change through subterfuge and secrecy. To think that an unscheduled vote was held in June by this School Board, on something not even on the agenda for that meeting, and actually never even presented as an information item—it is insulting to the intelligence of all who make up the Arlington Community. I am sad, and angry that one of the best high schools in Virginia is being subjected to this. I couldn’t be more against this action. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. William Foyes

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Subject: Engage with APS

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As an alumnus Washington-Lee High School class of 1984 I must insist that we maintain and keep the existing name of Washington Lee High School. Both George Washington and Robert E Lee are Heroes and historic Virginia figures with ties to the Arlington Community. Aside from the historic relevance of the name I also have concerns regarding how this potential name change will affect the transcripts of my

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The name of the school should never be changed so long as the campus exists. As both a Washington Lee High School graduate and member of the Arlington County Community I will be greatly disappointed if the name is changed. Do the right thing and keep the name of my Alma mater. Washington Lee High School has a long and storied tradition and I would be sorely disappointed if it was tossed away in favor of misplaced political correctness. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Mr. William Foyes
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Name William aka Bill Foyes
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As an alumni Washington-Lee High School class of 1984 I must insist that we maintain and keep the existing name of Washington Lee High School. Both George Washington and Robert E Lee are Heroes and historic Virginia figures with ties to the Arlington Community. Aside from the historic relevance of the name I also have concerns regarding how this potential name change will affect the transcripts of my high school career. The name of the school should never be changed so long as the campus exists. As both a Washington Lee High School graduate and member of the Arlington County Community I will be greatly disappointed if the name is changed. Do the right thing and keep the name of my Alma mater. Washington Lee High School has a long and storied tradition and I would be sorely disappointed if it was tossed away in favor of misplaced political correctness. I will also say that I am highly disappointed that Washington Lee High School alumni have been virtually shut out of this discussion and that there have been secret School Board rulings on this matter that did not get full community involvement. Shame on the Arlington County public school board for making changes to agendas and attempting to discuss this matter and make changes to the name without the full involvement of both the Arlington County community and the school alumni. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Terril Efird

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**Subject:** Engage with APS

**Comments:**

Name TERRIL EFIRD Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not change the name of Washington-Lee High School! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

**Outgoing**

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

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Mr. William Huie

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**Subject:** Engage with APS

**Comments:**

Name WILLIAM HUIE Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I respectfully request that the school name, Washington-Lee High School, is not changed. I strongly support keeping the current name. Thank you. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Thank you for taking the time to share your views about the renaming process for Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their information. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
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Name Juan Hidalgo Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not commit the error of trying to rewrite history. In my native Spain, a similar process is rampaging throughout society with the attempt to remove or rename anything and everything that may have some relation to the Franco regime. Trying to remove the name of anyone who is deemed to be on the wrong end of history is foolish. We need remembrance to ensure that past mistakes are not repeated, therefore the right path should be that of awareness. Teach people the context in which these people were born and what they represented based on more than just today’s opinions on them. DO NOT CHANGE THE W-L NAME Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name John Overholt Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am a W-L graduate. Leave the name the same as it is. Robert E. Lee was a resident of this county and was an honorable man. Leave his name on the school along with George Washington. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Susan Koerner Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am a W-L graduate. Leave the name the same as it is. Robert E. Lee was a resident of this county and was an honorable man. Leave his name on the school along with George Washington. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Susan Koerner Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I’m a 1977 graduate of Washington-Lee High school, my mother graduated from W-L in 1935, and I also have five cousins that are W-L graduates. My family has a history in Arlington going back almost 100 years. For me this move to change the name of W-L is personal. It is bad enough that I barely recognize the County I grew up in, but to change the name of my family school would be devastating. Please keep Washington-Lee High school the same as it’s been since the 1920s. It will always be W-L, please don’t ruin it over politics. Thank you. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail

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Comments:

Ms. Meredith Heintzelman
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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Meredith Heintzelman Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Keep the name Washington-Lee as it stands today and has always been named for George Washington and Robert E. Lee. DO NOT MAKE ANY CHANGE Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Don’t change the name! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Student

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/12/2018
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Ms. Jane Warner
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Name Jane Warner Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please keep the Washington-Lee high school name the same. The name is a tribute to leaders who worked toward national unity. These were very valuable and unifying national leaders. There is no need to change the name of a high school that has existed for 100 years. To do otherwise negates its standing and reputation and obscures its outstanding history. Our community and our nation need tradition and unity. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Wilbur Davidson
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Name Wilbur Davidson Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do NOT change the name of Washington-Lee High School. I am a life-long resident of Arlington County and a

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Graduate of W-L, Class of 1960. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail
Date In: 11/12/2018
Modified: 11/15/2018 - 11:50am
Issue: ENGAGE: WL SUPPORT - Support WL Name Change
Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Mr. Thomas Estabrook
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Subject: Engage with APS

Name Thomas Estabrook Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Dear Arlington Public Schools, I fully support the decision to change the name of Washington-Lee High School. I am a W-L grad from 1975. In order to create an inclusive and respectful school learning environment that reflects the highest ideals of democracy and human dignity, it is high time to change W-L’s name. Sincerely, Tom Estabrook Somerville, MA W-L Class of 1975 Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
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Comments:

Ms. Janie Kappius
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Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS

Name Janie Kappius Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am firmly opposed to renaming W-L. The attempt to rewrite American history is deplorable and reminds one of Germans attempts to deny Hitler and the Holocaust. Robert E Lee was an American general, attended West Point and resided in our county. Washington kept slaves. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. John Cotte
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Subject: Engage with APS
Name John Cotte Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am strongly opposed to any name change to Washington-Lee High School. Do NOT change the name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Philip Lentz
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Comments: support change

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Name Philip Lentz Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a 1965 W-L alum, I want to encourage the Board to CHANGE THE NAME. While attending the school I had zero awareness of the significance of having the name Lee on the sign in front of the school. That is probably because I am white. As I’ve learned about the hatred and violence that African Americans have endured and the symbols of that racism that are still around today, I can’t understand how anyone, aware of those facts, could support keeping the name of General Lee on the school. Please change it. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Michael Natrella Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I do not want to change the name of Washington-Lee High School. They were both residents of Arlington/Alexandria and should be recognized as such. As a life-long resident of Arlington, I am unhappy with these proceedings. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Robert November Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I think the name should not be changed. More importantly, students and the community should use the current name as part of better understanding who Washington and Lee were and understand better how they influenced and were influenced by their culture. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Christine Dyrd Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I would like to keep the name of Washington-Lee HS as is. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Frederick Belen Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am strongly against changing the name of our community high school (W-L). It has been a wonderful school and its name should remain Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Lawrence Brown Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Again, thank you for your input on this issue.
Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The School Board’s misguided efforts to change the name of Washington-Lee High School have been nothing short of pathetic. The renaming of such a proud and historically significant school will do nothing to improve the quality of education in our community, which should be the ONLY care of School Board. Stop the nonsense and leave the name alone! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Date In: 11/12/2018
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Subject: Engage with APS

Mr. William Adkins

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Subject: Engage with APS

Name William Adkins
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The name Washington-Lee should not be changed. It represents many decades of outstanding performance of one of the best high schools in the country. You change the name and you lose all of that. Putting Washington and Lee and the colors blue and gray together represents a rebuilding of a single country, after the Civil War. Something that Lee strongly advocated. If you really believe in name changing related to Robert E. Lee, the place to start would be with the name Arlington, as in Arlington County. It was named after Lee’s home and does not bring in any of the rebuilding of the country aspects, as does Washington-Lee. I would certainly not support renaming Arlington County. However, if people really believe that changing a name is an effective way of pretending that history didn't happen, then start with Arlington. Renaming W-L is just a token gesture to pat yourself on the back, for doing something that is really meaningless to it’s intended purpose. And yet, it is an attack on the accomplishments and feelings of all those students, whose dedicated efforts over the years, gave W-L the outstanding reputation that it has today. The name Washington-Lee represents the efforts and accomplishments of all of those students much more so than it does either George Washington or Robert E. Lee. At 76 years of age, I still wear Washington-Lee Crew and High School shirts, caps and sweat shirts, with great pride. And, it is interesting how many people in the state and other areas of the country take the time to stop and make positive comments about there experience with the school or some of its graduates. I have a similar pride in having been born, raised and living much of my life in Arlington. Its hard for me to believe that members of the school board can take such a shallow view of the name of a school that has decades of such positive history embedded in
In its name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Ben Gieseman

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: IF Robert E. Lee's name creates an unwelcoming environment for some, then I suggest finding another Lee to replace Robert E Lee that will not create an unwelcoming environment. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

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Name Alexandra Roy

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Hi, I am an alum of W-L, and I have been inundated with emails from a misleadingly named “Washington-Lee High School Alumni Association” which is presumptuously attempting to speak for all W-L alumni in attacking the school board’s renaming process and goal. Please do not think this group represents all alumni. I personally would just like to support in the strongest terms the changing of the name of the high school. Preferably to the name of an admirable and inspirational historical figure of color

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from Arlington or Virginia. Thanks! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Subject: Engage with APS
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Mr. Thomas Parker
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Incoming
Subject: Engage with APS
Name: Thomas Parker
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I emphatically request that NO NAME CHANGE be made! Keep the name "WASHINGTON-LEE" Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Other

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Mr. Robert Elkins
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Name: Robert Elkins
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: It is my opinion that the school board has not acted in the best interest of the Arlington County Community by making the decision to rename Washington-Lee High School. The decision of the board to change the name is ridiculous and without merit. The board has acted inappropriately and not according honest practices that it has been entrusted. Shame on the board for their weak and deceptive decision. The name of the school should remain Washington-Lee Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Julian Pollak: Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Career Center. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not change the name of W-L High School. It has a long history and many successful and famous graduates. If you change the name you lose the history. Virginia is famous for its history. Losing that history is not good for the county or the state. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community.

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Name Bob Meyerson: Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L. Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: The whole idea of changing the name of Washington-Lee is simply unacceptable and without merit. In fact, it is nonsensical. And the underhanded way in which the School Board has tried to ignore the wishes of a majority of the community should trigger a massive recall of those few board members who feel compelled to stir up so much unnecessary hate and discord throughout Arlington. How does this misguided effort enhance the quality of life at W-L or throughout Arlington? Keep the name Washington-Lee! Listen to the majority of the community!!! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community.

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Name Richard McNamara

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Keep Washington -Lee High School name
Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Steve Ishmael

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with:
Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name! Do something positive with your energy, focus on the future. W-L Will Shine - yesterday, today, tomorrow Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Jeff Landry Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name of W-L High School. I am from the class of 1979 and my whole family went to school there. Do not change the name.. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Subject: Engage with APS

Name HC Reid Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: NO NAME CHANGE!! LEAVE W-L forever! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Christopher Landry Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME! DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME! DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME! DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME! DO NOT CHANGE THE NAME! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Engage with APS

Name Carla Landry
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I do NOT believe the name of Washington-Lee High School should be changed! It should remain Washington-Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Ted Weihe
Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I would like Washington-Lee to retain the name that they have always had. You cannot change history and pretend it did not exist. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Name Ted Weihe Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: My brother, my sister and I graduated from W-L. I strongly oppose any name change. I graduated when W-L was integrated. My mother led League of Women Voters to oppose segregated seating at the W-L auditorium. W-L the integration efforts in Virginia. We should be proud of the Inheritance. Do not change the name. If so I will no longer financial support the W-L Foundation if it is no longer the named school that my entire family attended. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

E-Mail

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Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Washington - Lee : Lee as in Stan Lee , Harper Lee , John lee love Washington - Lincoln W - L - take names away and just say WL Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Student

E-Mail

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Ms. Linda Wirtz

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Outgoing

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Ms. Linda Wirtz

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Outgoing

**Subject:** Re: Engage with APS

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestion for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School (although Stan Lee has not been dead for five years yet). Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration. Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

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Name Linda Wirtz

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: My husband and I are lifelong residents of Arlington. We are appalled at the underhanded manner in which the school board has handled the renaming process of W-L. The board failed to follow proper protocol and have tried to cover their tracks. They have not listened to what the majority in the community wants, nor have they shown any regard for the desires of the majority of the alumni. Changing the name of this fine institution serves absolutely no purpose. The board has wasted time and energy on this unneeded process, and if they follow through, will waste valuable tax dollars--our tax dollars!--that should be spent on improving teacher salaries. Why not focus on trying to keep up with the growth in our community instead? Our schools are overcrowded, and any new buildings or remodeled buildings are already inadequate by the time construction is completed. Bottom line--leave the name W-L the same. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Outgoing

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Mr. Tim Hall

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Name Tim Hall Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with. Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: It is completely absurd that the Arlington County school board would even consider changing the name of Washington&Lee. Arlington and the entire state of Virginia is very rich in history, including the birthplace of our first United States of America President. Also, Home of Robert E. Lee, who was the Souths leading General in the war between the states. He was an honorable man and by bowing down to a minority group (that won't change history) is indeed the worst possible scenario. Thank you for your consideration of leaving his name as it was and is. Its the right thing to do Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

E-Mail

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Whitney Cobey
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Name Wanda Michaels
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Comments: Mr. Coy Powell

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Name Coy Powell Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do NOT change the name. Step across the river. Stand in front of the National Archives. There, you will find two statues. Their writings say what? 'Study the past' for 'What is past is prologue'. Inside the building is an original of our Declaration of Independence. It begins with these words...'We, the People...’ We, the people, are speaking very loud and very clear on this unnecessary change. Listen to the community as they say very loudly and with much pride, do not take away that which represents all the intangibles the W-L community has become. We CHOOSE to be offended. Life does not always go 'our' way is a tenet parents must teach their children. You must now be a parent, step forward...and demonstrate to the public the truth of that idea. Do NOT change the name. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Mr. Alessandro Fiorio

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Name alessandro fiorio Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: My family is against renaming W-L. We feel that the actions taken by the Board were not appropriate and that the funds to be spent for implementing such a change should be either saved or used for projects that really help the community. The Board is therefore encouraged to reconsider its actions on this issue. Should the Board proceed with the renaming of W-L, we will act accordingly in the next election and vote against those Board members who voted for such a change. This should not be seen as a threat, but an indication of how strong we feel about this issue. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Ms. Diane Long

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Name Diane Long Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a 50+year resident of Arlington County I strongly disapprove a changing. The name of W-L. The majority of community, students, and staff are opposed and it would be such a wasteful expenditure of our tax paying dollars. Please put those tax dollars into educational supplies, resources and salaries for teachers and staff so may may focus on educating our children. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Re: Re: [SPAM] Washington-Lee High School renaming

How about Washington-Carter High School?

That Carter being Robert Carter III, a neighbor of George Washington, and one of the most powerful and richest men in America, served on the Governor's Council of Virginia (like an upper House) when Washington was in the House of Burgesses, supported the Revolution, and engaged in the largest slave release in America before the Civil War. He also wanted to gender and racially integrate his local church. He even loaned money to Thomas Jefferson.

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Robert Carter III - Wikipedia

Robert "Councillor" Carter III (February 1727/28 – March 10, 1804) was an plantation owner from Virginia, United States, who for two decades sat on the Virginia Governor's Council. With the assistance of Baptist, Quaker and Swedenborgian faith, Carter began what became the largest release of slaves in North America prior to the American Civil War. By a deed of gift filed with Northumberland ...

__From:__

engage@apsva.us

Subject: Re: [SPAM] Washington-Lee High School renaming

A Message From Engage APS

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Dear Mr. Goldberg:

Thank you for taking the time to offer your suggestions for a possible name for the current Washington-Lee High School. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee appointed by the School Board for their consideration.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

Sincerely,

Meg Tuccillo

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I’d like to mention Robert Carter III, a Virginia plantation owner who inherited many slaves and began what became the largest release of slaves in North America prior to the Civil War. Despite enormous obstacles, including Virginia occasionally making manumission illegal, the payment of a fee for it, and the sometimes violent opposition of fellow plantation owners, Carter set in process the freeing of over 500 slaves. He also joined an integrated church which on two occasions was attacked by white mobs. He worked for the Revolution and worked for getting anti-slavery laws passed by the Virginia legislature. He believed slavery to be immoral.
E-Mail

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Mr. Gary Duncan
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E-Mail

Date In: 11/10/2018
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Mr. Alan Goldberg
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Name Alan Goldberg

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Washington-Carter High School after Robert Carter III, a contemporary of Washington who initiated the largest slave release in US history prior to the Civil War and fought for racial and gender equality. He was wealthier and had more money, land and slaves than either Washington or Jefferson (he loaned Jefferson money), served in the Governor’s Council when Washington was in the House of Burgesses, supported the Revolution, worked for gender and racial equality in his Church and worked most of his life to free his slaves over constant and sometimes violent opposition of his fellow slave-owners. This man was an infinitely better person than Robert E. Lee yet there are no statues or commemorative plaques whereas there are Confederate themed statues and plaques even of Lee’s horse. 


Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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E-Mail

Date In: 11/10/2018
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Subject: Engage with APS
Comments:

Ms. Stephanie Uz
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Name Stephanie Uz

Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L

Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name of Washington-Lee. I participated in an APS meeting on the subject and saw that vested stakeholders (parents, alumni, teachers) were against the name change because it will divide the community. A name change will be expensive and divert resources from truly helping current and future students. Address racism and inequality directly through programs and resources (i.e. teachers) that can lead by example. Don’t waste money on ineffective and divisive cosmetics such as renaming. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

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Outgoing

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Ms. Anne Sywilok
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Name Anne Sywilok Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am totally against changing the name of W-L! I grew up in Arlington and graduated from W-L in ’72. I had African American friends in my classes and never thought of our school’s name as a negative. We need to teach from history’s mistakes, not erase them. If you change the name then you need to change any streets with Washington or Lee in them, think of the expense of all those street signs! We need to put our money towards a better cause. I also resent the school board discussing this without public notice. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Comments: 
Mr. Jim Ricca
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Name Jim Ricca Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am really pleased that the School Board is changing the name because I don’t believe that it fits with Arlington’s values to honor a general who fought to preserve slavery. I want to congratulate you on a well thought out and participatory process (I was on a focus group last year). I am looking forward to a name we can all be proud of - perhaps Washington-Lincoln or even Washington-Washington (Booker T, also a Virginia native). Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Parent

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E-Mail
Dear Mr. Richard Hightower,

I understand that my first letter regarding my opposition to the W-L name change may have been disregarded as I clicked "APS Graduate" instead of "Arlington Community" of which I am both. This is yet another example of the lack democratic process that I mention below in my original email. I write APS today in support of keeping the name of Washington-Lee High School. I am a fourth generation Arlingtonian living in the Westover Hills neighborhood and graduated from W-L in 1980. I represent a long lineage of W-L graduates ranging from my father who graduated in 1938, my brother, sister, aunts and uncles and my wife, representing most decades of the schools existence of the past 93 years. As a history major, I know the value of studying history; both the good and ugly periods of our local and national history, as we can learn valuable lessons. As a left leaning democrat, I am appalled by even the notion of the thought that changing name of the school will somehow correct or make was an ugly period of history more palatable. My fear is that we will not top there. Will the next proposal be that we strike any references of slavery from our text book? There are nations in the world that want to pretend that the holocaust never happened, it was "fake" news, an effort by the non Muslim west, to give the Jewish peoples their own self governing country. Even in the USA, the state of Texas is trying to omit the theory of evolution and whether humans are responsible for climate change. I remember when there was a big push from the religious right to get ALL publications regarding LGBTQ rights out of the publicly funded institutions such as libraries. Naturally, the Arlington County librarian at the time made a well published notice that they would in fact increase the number of copies available of the Washington Blade so that folks living in surrounding localities could access the publication if their respective jurisdictions were intimidated to carry the award winning paper. We cannot change the ugly parts of our history by making them go away. Rather we study history, to learn about those ugly parts to ensure that we never do it again. If we think that renaming the school helps us make amends with the past, than why stop there, why not change the name of the County itself, after all, the County is named after the Arlington House once owned by Robert E. Lee. I think I have made my point on this particular aspect.

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not. I would much rather spend the money towards the much needed school infrastructure (think bond initiative in the upcoming election) or bridging the achievement gap between our majority and minority students. What I think I am most upset about is the process in which this issue was presented to the community as a whole. The vote that was took place months before it had been scheduled. The School Board members blatantly ignoring the results of the George Mason study that found that those in favor of keeping the name far out numbered those in opposition. This is not the spirit of democracy, at least the version that I was taught at this very high school. There was no discussion or debate, just a very quiet 5-0 vote by members of the school board with their own personal agenda. From what I gather, none of the current board members attended Arlington County schools, and none of their children attended W-L. So we end up with their personal agenda, which somehow out weighs the desires of the majority in the community itself. Democracy is dead in Arlington, and the school board is responsible. It is for this reason, this life long registered, left leaning democrat will NOT endorse all aspects of the &quot;blue wave&quot; in Arlington, as I will be exercising my right to vote to systematically unseat each of the existing School Board members one by one as they come up for re-election. This is another one of the ugly times in county history and it makes me sad. We should embrace our oldest high school's history instead of erasing it. One of first two high schools in Virginia to be segregated. The first integrated basketball team to win the state championship in 1963. These are just two examples of many. How ironic, the very people that the school board is trying to protect, are in fact the some of the people this decision will hurt. Richard Hightower W-L class of 1980

Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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E-Mail

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Mr. Douglas Ashbrook
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Name Douglas Ashbrook

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I think that is one of the dumbest ideas that I have heard. What a colossal waste of money! Don't do it. W-L 61. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Meg Tuccillo
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FORMAL - Mr. Powell

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Mr. Roger Graham

Subject: Engage with APS

Name roger graham Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: my beloved Washington-Lee High School name. The school board has ignored us who have had a hand in contributing to making this High School great. You are asking the Alumni to throw all of OUR history away. We have World titles, National titles, State titles and Regional titles. My dad was so proud when I graduated from this great institution. you see he had 6th grade education and moved into Arlington in 1940. bought a house and became a Master Mechanic overseeing most of the powerhouse's built around this
area. He lived the American dream even though he did not know it at the time because he gave 4 years of his life going to war in the Pacific. So he would turn over in his grave with all this going on. He attended my games I played in when possible. He owned a home in Arlington for 52 years until his death and his telephone number was JACKSON (JA) then the numbers. that was the original way our telephone numbers were. He paid taxes in Arlington for 52 years so don’t tell me we are not residences. We help make Arlington what it is today, not you. You have no right to change history or erase it. God can’t even do that. When you go to bed at night ask God what to do and for his guiding hand. Therefore I am asking you to leave the name as is, WASHINGTON-LEE HIGH SCHOOL OF ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

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Ms. Robyn Cunningham
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Name Robyn Cunningham Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I am adamantly opposed to the name change of Washington - Lee High School. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Arlington Community

Outgoing
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Thank you for taking the time to express your views on the current renaming process for Washington-Lee. Your message will be shared with the renaming committee for their information. Again, thank you for your input.

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Mark Turner
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Name Mark Turner Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: DO NOT CHANGE WASHINGTON-LEE HIGH SCHOOL NAME!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Ms. Deborah Shelton
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Name Deborah Shelton
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please do not change the name of this great high school. I attended Washington-Lee High School from 1971 through 1973. We CANNOT change our past. We CAN explain it, though. W-L has a VERY proud heritage and rich history. Perfect? No. Let us erect a plaque explaining (not excusing) our shortcomings; and, keep the revered name of our high school. Thank you, for your time and consideration. Deborah Shelton
Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Mr. David Houston
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Name David Houston
Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Please keep the current name. Thanks. W-L Graduate 1974 Current County Resident Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Name Rand Bohnert

Please indicate the current topic you'd like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: As a senior at Washington-Lee High School, I am in favor of keeping the name of the high school the same. The school has a long history, with more than 40,000 graduates, none of whom ever said the name bothered them. Now, as students, we are victims of political correctness displayed by the School Board. The name of Washington-Lee High School has not been a problem for 93 years, and all of a sudden it's a problem? The School Board is jumping on a renaming bandwagon, and it does nothing but waste taxpayer money—a lot of money that could be used in wiser ways. Take a look at the overcrowding at W-L and other schools, the trailers at schools all over the county. And you want to spend more than a million dollars for a name change at W-L? This is another way to waste money. It is misplaced energy and poor financial stewardship on the part of the School Board. This should not be a priority for the School Board. Keep our school name the same. The majority of W-L students and Arlington residents are opposed to changing the name of W-L. The name change is silly and regrettable. Do the right thing. Keep the name of Washington-Lee High School the same. Sincerely, Rand Bohnert Senior, Washington-Lee High School Class of 2019

Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Current Student

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Date In: 11/9/2018
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Issue: ENGAGE: WL OPPOSE - Oppose WL Name Change
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Comments:
Ms. Dianne Jones

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Name Dianne Jones Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the name of the school. I am 71 and still get positive feedback about the value of a W-L education from people I meet all over the place. You who have no personal interest in the school should not impose your will on those of us who do. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Ms. Susan Cox

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Name Susan Cox Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: I went to several meetings and the community has spoken on the topic of how disappointed they are with the lack of transparency by the board. Please honor the core values you claim to champion. The renaming process has been a sham and

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a shame from the beginning, but of course you know that. What is the rush? You have lost the trust of the community and excuse me if we think the fix is in like what happened at Jeb Stuart HS. I bet you want Harriet Tubman but she was on the side of a man who was tried and convicted for treason for fighting against the Union. What hypocrisy! Lee was never tried for treason and he is still honored for his role in peace and reconciliation today! W-L represents unity; don’t rip the community apart by forcing the change. Why are you teaching hate and not forgiveness? Is it because you can and/or for political reasons? You should be concerned with preserving history and how far we have come, like the other committee did with its recommendation for Stratford, a civil rights landmark, so too is W-L. Be proud of W-L it is a model for tolerance. as stated on your own site. Stop this divisive process now. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? APS Graduate

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Steinunn Hansdottir
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Name steinunn hansdottir Please indicate the current topic you’d like to engage with: Naming Process - W-L Please share your comments, feedback or suggestions: Do not change the Washington - Lee High School name. I’m a 66 graduate and W-L will always be MY school and I would like to be able to say with pride that Washington-Lee is part of me, part of my youth, part of my own history. Which of the following best describes your relationship to APS? Other

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