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APS Information for New School Year

Information [is available online for families at the start of school](#), including:

- New Annual Online Verification Process for student information
- Back-to-School-Night schedule
- Registration for School Talk messages, and more

Visit www.apsva.us/post/getting-ready-for-the-new-school-year-back-to-school-quick-tips/

School Board Meetings and Work Sessions

The School Board holds meetings and work sessions throughout the school year, beginning at 7 p.m. (unless otherwise noted online) at the Syphax Education Center (2110 Washington Blvd).

- View [Sept. 5 meeting](#)
- Next meeting: Sept. 19
- Next work session: Sept. 24

Visit the [School Board webpage](#) for agendas, how to speak at a School Board meeting, and how to view meetings/work sessions online

APS Engage Online Resources

Learn more about topics that will be discussed for School Board action in 2019-20, and find out how to stay informed and be involved:

- Visit www.apsva.us/engage/ for information and updates
- Write to engage@apsva.us with questions and comments about current initiatives

Sept. 30 Deadline – Comment on Draft Guidelines for Transgender Students in Schools

[An online comment form](#) is open through September 30 on draft guidelines for APS staff related to transgender students in schools. Final guidelines will be posted in early 2020.

- Draft guidelines, the comment form in English and Spanish, and FAQs are on the [Office of Student Services web page](#)
- The [Policy Implementation Procedure \(PIP\) J-2 PIP-2 for Transgender Students in Schools](#) was finalized in June 2019
- School-based procedures provide staff with guidance to ensure compliance on School Board policy [J-2 Student Equal Educational Opportunities-Nondiscrimination](#)

Visit www.apsva.us/student-services/transgender-gender-nonconforming-youth/

PreK-12 Instructional Program Pathways (IPP)

Staff presented the PreK-12 Instructional Program Pathways (IPP) at the Sept. 5 School Board meeting:

- Structural framework was developed with instructional staff and informed by community input to ensure multiple pathways for student success
- Defines options and includes recommended options at all school levels
- Will guide APS planning as student enrollment continues to grow and new schools open

Visit www.apsva.us/engage/prek-12-instructional-programs-pathway-ipp/