

# Fairfax County Republican Committee

## “A Better Fairfax” 2018 Back-To-School Handout

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##### “County Real Estate Taxes Rise Much Faster Than Household Income”

“Fairfax County has raised real estate taxes 26% in the last five years<sup>1</sup>, including an average 4.2%<sup>2</sup> just this year to pay for their \$4.29 billion general fund budget<sup>3</sup>! Since 2000, taxes have gone up four times faster than household income and three times faster than the rate of inflation<sup>4</sup>. This is a huge burden, especially for fixed-income seniors and young families.”

“Meanwhile, the Democrat-led Board of Supervisors made sure to take care of themselves at the taxpayers’ expense with a 25% salary increase.”<sup>5</sup>

“Fairfax County has no funds for over \$5.5 billion in promised pensions for employees.”<sup>6</sup>

##### “Growing Fairfax Needs More Roads”

“People drive more than they take the Metro, walk, or ride bikes. A large majority—83%—of commuters use roads; only 9% use mass transit.<sup>7</sup> In 2018, Metrorail ridership was about 27 percent less than in 2008.”<sup>8</sup>

“In 2014, a \$100 million transportation bond issue spent 84% of funds for bike and pedestrian trails used by only 2% of commuters.”<sup>9</sup>

“The University of Minnesota Center for Transportation Studies found that the average person in the DC urban area can reach fewer than 12,000 jobs in 20 minutes by transit and 328,000 jobs in 60 minutes, whereas DC-area residents can reach more than 527,000 jobs in 20 minutes by car and more than 3 million in 60 minutes.”<sup>10</sup>

“Hazardous concrete issues have been found in potentially thousands of locations, including along the \$2.7 billion Silver Line Metro extension in Northern Virginia.”<sup>11</sup>

“This year I-66 raised tolls as high as \$47.25 one way on the new I-66 Express Lanes.<sup>12</sup> Next year, the Dulles Toll Road commuters will see the cost of a full trip—a plaza toll plus a ramp transaction—go from \$3.50 to \$4.75, a \$1.25 increase for each trip.”<sup>13</sup>

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#### “Education: Fairfax County Students Deserve Better”

“Republicans have been leaders both locally and nationwide in expanding access to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education (STEM) for historically underrepresented individuals.”<sup>14</sup>

“According to the Washington Post (6/23/2018), Fairfax has been targeted as a “laboratory”<sup>15</sup>

“On June 26, 2018, the School Superintendent announced he would give the School Board a plan this fall for wide-ranging neighborhood school boundary changes ‘far deeper ... than we’ve looked at before.’”<sup>16</sup>

“Since 2000, Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) spending has increased 108%, but enrollment increased only 21%.<sup>17</sup>

“The current budget is close to \$3 Billion—\$2.8 billion.”<sup>18</sup>

“It takes 53% of the entire Fairfax County budget, over 70% raised from your taxes.”<sup>19</sup>

The entire paragraph, including the briefing about the audit results, future audit plans, and the School Board members’ reactions is documented in the School Board work session video for June 26, 2018.<sup>20</sup>

“There is now a statewide push in Virginia to make FLE “opt-in” rather than “opt-out.”<sup>21</sup>

“But the FLE insists on replacing the term “biological sex”<sup>22</sup> with the unscientific phrase “sex assigned at birth.”<sup>23</sup>

“The School Board received 1,318 public comments about the FLE”<sup>24</sup>

“The new FLE lessons teach 8th and 9th graders about obtaining and using contraceptives, but not about contraceptive health risks and side effects. The risks aren’t taught until 10th grade.”<sup>25</sup>

“FLE teaches students in high school about a drug used for prevention of HIV, also known as PrEP, for children engaging in high-risk sexual behavior.”<sup>26</sup>

“Studies show PrEP can put some people at an increased risk for serious side effects such as kidney damage and bone loss (especially concerning in children).”<sup>27</sup>

“Adult users of the PrEP drug have filed lawsuits against the manufacturer.”<sup>28</sup>

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#### “Fairfax County Wants Legal Immigrants ... Not Illegal Aliens”

“Over a third of our residents speak a language other than English at home.”<sup>29</sup>

“Students in Fairfax County Public Schools speak over 160 languages and come from 200 countries and regions.”<sup>30</sup>

“Traditional family values flourish in our Korean, Hispanic, Vietnamese, Chinese, South Asian, and other immigrant communities.”<sup>31</sup>

“Asian and Hispanic-owned businesses have succeeded at an extraordinary rate in Fairfax County.”<sup>32</sup>

“According to a 2017 Harvard-Harris poll, 80 percent of American voters oppose sanctuary cities.”<sup>33</sup>

“The illegal alien population in Fairfax is growing, with estimates that over 11,000 people face deportation.”<sup>34</sup>

“Since 2014, the federal government has placed over 4,000 undocumented minor children in Fairfax County.”<sup>35</sup>

“Estimates for the number of MS-13 gang members in Fairfax County range from 1,000<sup>36</sup> to 2,000<sup>37</sup> up to 5,000<sup>38</sup> for all of Northern Virginia.”

“Two years ago, in the summer of 2016, two local boys were killed in Holmes Run Park by MS-13 gang members.”<sup>39</sup>

“In spite of these crimes committed by gangs in Fairfax, on April 4, 2017, the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution confirming that “When the police arrest someone, they do not check immigration status.”<sup>40</sup>

“Crimes against persons increased 4% from 2016, with a total of 8,194 offenses including more homicides and 7,773 assaults. Forcible sex offenses in Fairfax increased 5.9 percent—even though nationwide, sex offenses decreased<sup>41</sup>. Drug offenses in 2017 increased a shocking 12.9% to 6,452.”<sup>42</sup>

“In February 2018, the Department of Homeland Security issued a warning....”<sup>43</sup>

“In May 2018, ignoring the DHS warning and ongoing crimes by illegal aliens, Fairfax Sheriff Stacey Kincaid ended cooperation with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainer requests to hold inmates.”<sup>44</sup>

“In early August, the Fairfax County jail held 94 gang members including 29 MS-13 members.”<sup>45</sup>

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### “Republicans Work for You: Americans Are Better Off Now”

“The economy is soaring, and Republican policies are helping improve people’s lives and making it easier for families to get ahead, with a renewed sense of confidence.”<sup>46</sup>

“Since November 2016, 3.7 million American jobs have been created.”<sup>47</sup>

“Unemployment numbers are at their lowest point in decades.”<sup>48</sup>

“Black and Hispanic unemployment are at historic lows.”<sup>49</sup>

“In June there were 6.7 million job openings, marking the first time since 2000 that there have been more job openings than those who are unemployed.”<sup>50</sup>

“Thanks to the tax cuts, 90% of Americans saw bigger paychecks this year.”<sup>51</sup>

“Millions of Americans have seen raised wages, bonuses, and expanded retirement options.”<sup>52</sup>

“More than half of small businesses have plans to expand, boost hiring, or increase employee benefits.”<sup>53</sup>

“With more job opportunities and lower unemployment, consumer confidence is on the rise.”<sup>54</sup>

“Republicans have invested \$4 billion to stop the opioid crisis.<sup>55</sup> Four major laws were passed to protect people from human trafficking.”<sup>56</sup>

“Important legislation and \$2 billion in resources, including the STOP School Violence Act are making schools safer and addressing our mental health challenges.”<sup>57</sup>

“Multiple bills, including the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program Authorization Act, are strengthening our border security, better enforcing immigration laws, and targeting dangerous gangs like MS-13.”<sup>58</sup>

“The Department of Veterans Affairs Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act of 2017 created a streamlined and efficient process to remove, demote or suspend any VA employee for poor performance or misconduct.”<sup>59</sup>

“The VA MISSION Act sustains the Choice Program so veterans can get the care they earned and deserve.”<sup>60</sup>

“The National Defense Authorization Act of 2018<sup>61</sup> provided a 2.4 percent pay raise, the largest raise in eight years.”<sup>62</sup>

“Our military is adding 20,000 troops to bolster its size and strength.”<sup>63</sup>

“We’ve gotten tougher in combating ISIS<sup>64</sup> and other terrorist organizations, as well as potential nuclear threats like North Korea<sup>65</sup>, Iran<sup>66</sup>, Russia<sup>67</sup>, and China<sup>68</sup>.”

“We have made new investment in the tools needed to keep our troops safe, well-trained, and effective.”<sup>69</sup>

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“Republicans for Equal Opportunity: A History of Equal Rights and the Republican Party”<sup>70</sup>

“The Republican Party began as a coalition of anti-slavery Americans who wanted to resist the expansion of slavery into free states. They formed a new political party in July 1854.”<sup>71</sup>

“In 1860 they won the presidency running on an anti-slavery platform, electing Abraham Lincoln as the first Republican president.”<sup>72</sup>

“On January 1, 1863 Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation which changed the federal legal status of more than 3.5 million enslaved African Americans from slave to free.”<sup>73</sup>

“On April 9, 1865, the Confederate army surrendered to Union forces<sup>74</sup>. Only five days later, Abraham Lincoln was assassinated.”<sup>75</sup>

“After the Civil war, the Republican Congress passed the 13th Amendment to the Constitution which outlawed slavery. They then passed the 14th Amendment to guarantee equal protection under the laws, and the 15th Amendment to help secure voting rights for African-Americans, although guaranteeing those rights would be a struggle for many years.”<sup>76</sup>

“In 1871, the Republican-controlled 42nd Congress passed a Civil Rights Act aimed at the Ku Klux Klan.”<sup>77</sup>

“Guilty of murdering hundreds of African-Americans, this terrorist organization had also eradicated the Republican Party throughout most of the South.”<sup>78</sup>

“Though the U.S. Supreme Court would eventually strike down most of the 1871 Civil Rights Act, the Ku Klux Klan was crushed.”<sup>79</sup>

“The KKK did not rise again until the Democratic administration of President Woodrow Wilson, an opponent of civil rights.”<sup>80</sup>

“In 1896, Republicans were the first major party to favor women’s suffrage.”<sup>81</sup>

“When the 19th Amendment was finally added to the Constitution, 26 of the 36 state legislatures that had voted to ratify it were under Republican control.”<sup>82</sup>

“In 1906, President Theodore Roosevelt nominated Oscar Straus for Secretary of Commerce and Labor, the first Jewish person to serve as a Cabinet Secretary.”<sup>83</sup>

“In 1924, Republican President Calvin Coolidge signed the Indian Citizenship Act, granting citizenship to all Native Americans.”<sup>84</sup>

“In 1940, the Republican National Convention approved a plank in its platform calling for racial integration of the armed forces: “Discrimination in the civil service, the army, navy, and all other branches of the Government must cease.”<sup>85</sup> Not until 1948 did President Truman finally comply with Republicans’ demands for racial justice in the U.S. military.”<sup>86</sup>

“In 1954, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that racial segregation in public schools is unconstitutional. Republican Chief Justice Earl Warren wrote the unanimous decision for this case, the famous Brown v. Board of Education.”<sup>87</sup>

“In 1957, under Republican President Dwight D. Eisenhower (1953-61) Congress passed the Civil Rights Act establishing the Civil Rights Division within the Department of Justice over Democratic Party opposition.”<sup>88</sup>

“He also ordered the 101st Airborne Division to enforce school integration in Little Rock, Arkansas<sup>89</sup> and made appointments<sup>90</sup> that led to desegregation at the University of Mississippi.”

“In 1970, Republican President Richard Nixon signed the Voting Rights Act, nationalizing the 1965 legislation and expanding its reach to northern states.”<sup>91</sup>

“In 1972, President Nixon signed the Equal Employment Opportunity Act giving the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) greater enforcement power against workplace discrimination.”<sup>92</sup>

“In 2001, Republican President George W. Bush appointed Colin Powell as the first African American Secretary of State,<sup>93</sup> and in 2005, he appointed Condoleezza Rice as the first African American woman Secretary of State.”<sup>94</sup>

“In 2018, during the economic boom and job growth in Republican Donald Trump’s presidency, Black and Hispanic unemployment reached historic lows.”<sup>95</sup>

“Republican Women as Leaders - First Woman in Congress: Jeanette Rankin; First Woman in the House and Senate: Margaret Chase Smith; First Woman Supreme Court Justice: Sandra Day O’Connor”<sup>96</sup>

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Election information<sup>97</sup>

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#### “County Real Estate Taxes Rise Much Faster Than Household Income”

<sup>1</sup> [https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/sites/springfield/files/assets/documents/may\\_2018\\_2.pdf](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/sites/springfield/files/assets/documents/may_2018_2.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> <https://fcta.org/Pubs/Bulletins/2018-06.pdf> page 1

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news2/adopted-fy-2019-budget-highlights-real-estate-tax-and-school-funding/>

<sup>4</sup> [http://www.fcta.org/FxCo/Taxes/2018\\_fx\\_budgetresponse.html](http://www.fcta.org/FxCo/Taxes/2018_fx_budgetresponse.html)

<sup>5</sup> <https://wtop.com/fairfax-county/2015/03/fairfax-county-supervisors-vote-for-pay-raise/>

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<sup>6</sup> [https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/sites/springfield/files/assets/documents/june\\_2018.pdf](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/sites/springfield/files/assets/documents/june_2018.pdf)

### **“Growing Fairfax Needs More Roads”**

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.brookings.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/dc-transit-job-access-ross.pdf> , Appendix 3. Their data for Fairfax show that 83% drive (single car plus carpool), and only 9% use mass transit. See also the spreadsheet compiled by Randal O’Toole of Cato Institute <http://ti.org/docs/NationStateCountyPlaceUZA2016JTW.xlsx> , based on 2016 census data. This Census data show that 9.3 percent of Fairfax County commuters take transit to work, while 76.0 percent drive alone and 10.6 percent carpool. The Census Bureau will post 2017 data in September.

<sup>8</sup> O’Toole’s analysis shows that WMATA total ridership saw a 26% decline from FY 2008 through FY 2018. For Metro rail alone, the decline was 27% from 2008 through 2018. This is based on fiscal year (July through June) ridership. Given the trends in declining membership, it is reasonable to estimate that additional declines are probable in the rest of calendar year 2018 (July through December). See <https://www.transit.dot.gov/ntd/data-product/monthly-module-adjusted-data-release> . These numbers are calculable from the Federal Transit Administration’s monthly data release, which has month-to-month ridership from January, 2002 through June, 2018. Transit agencies are listed by an identification number. WMATA’s ID number is 30030.

<sup>9</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/dr-gridlock/wp/2014/10/30/100-million-in-transportation-projects-on-fairfax-county-ballot/?utm\\_term=.eaff5e1ae643](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/dr-gridlock/wp/2014/10/30/100-million-in-transportation-projects-on-fairfax-county-ballot/?utm_term=.eaff5e1ae643) and <https://www.citylab.com/transportation/2012/02/do-bike-paths-promote-bike-riding/1318/> and <https://www.citylab.com/transportation/2017/05/mapping-americas-bike-commuters/526923/>

<sup>10</sup> See the concise discussion by Randal O’Toole at <http://ti.org/antiplanner/?p=14098> . O’Toole also recommends a University of Minnesota Center for Transportation Studies analysis (<http://ao.umn.edu/research/america/index.html> ) comparing the accessibility of jobs to people who have cars vs. people who rely on transit. He writes (email, 8/19/2018): “The transit paper (<http://ao.umn.edu/research/america/transit/2015/index.html>) says the average person in the DC urban area can reach less than 12,000 jobs in 20 minutes by transit and 328,000 jobs in 60 minutes, whereas the auto paper (<http://ao.umn.edu/research/america/auto/2015/index.html> ) says DC-area residents can reach more than 527,000 jobs in 20 minutes by car and more than 3 million in 60 minutes. Thus, cars give people access to far more resources than transit.” See also, for comparison of different variables in other models, <http://www.governing.com/blogs/by-the-numbers/gov-transit-accessibility-to-jobs-metro-areas-study.html> and a 2012 Brookings study <https://web.archive.org/web/20120928093306/http://www.brookings.edu/research/papers/2012/07/~//media/Research/Files/Papers/2012/7/transit%20labor%20tomer%11%20transit%20labor%20tomer%20full%20paper.pdf> .

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.nbcwashington.com/traffic/transit/Major-Concrete-Issues-Found-in-Silver-Line-Metro-Extension-480829661.html>

<sup>12</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/trafficandcommuting/rush-hour-tolls-on-i-66-arent-popular-how-about-tolling-drivers-going-against-traffic/2018/02/26/895eb1d8-1818-11e8-92c9-376b4fe57ff7\\_story.html?utm\\_term=.c52688a8c89a](https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/trafficandcommuting/rush-hour-tolls-on-i-66-arent-popular-how-about-tolling-drivers-going-against-traffic/2018/02/26/895eb1d8-1818-11e8-92c9-376b4fe57ff7_story.html?utm_term=.c52688a8c89a)

<sup>13</sup> <https://wtop.com/dc-transit/2018/06/dulles-toll-road-rate-increase-proposal-set-would-start-in-january/>

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### **“Education: Fairfax County Students Deserve Better”**

<sup>14</sup> For the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress, see H.R.321, “Inspiring the Next Space Pioneers, Innovators, Researchers, and Explorers (INSPIRE) Women Act,” sponsored by Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-VA) and signed into law on 2/28/2017 <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/321> . See also H.R.4375, the “STEM Research and Education Effectiveness and Transparency Act” sponsored by Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-VA), which passed the House with overwhelming bi-partisan support (376 to 9) <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/4375> . Rep. Barbara Comstock was a co-sponsor on H.R. 255, the “Promoting Women in Entrepreneurship Act,” also signed into law on 2/28/2017 <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/255> See also in the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress, H.R.2010 “STEM Education Act of 2015”, co-sponsored by Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-VA) and

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signed into law 10/07/2015 <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/1020>. Locally, Supervisor Pat Herry (R-Springfield) has been a leader in establishing teen job fairs encouraging STEM careers, bringing in local Chambers of Commerce for public-private partnerships <https://chantillyacademy.fcps.edu/announcements/teen-job-fairs>. In the Virginia General Assembly, Delegate Tim Hugo (R-40<sup>th</sup> District) voted for SB246 “STEM Competition Team Grant Program and Fund” <https://www.richmondsunlight.com/bill/2016/sb246/> and for HB167 “Diploma seals; science, technology, engineering, and mathematics” <https://www.richmondsunlight.com/bill/2018/hb167/>.

<sup>15</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/education/in-fairfax-a-lesson-on-why-words-matter-especially-in-sexual-health-class/2018/06/23/bc705114-6ef6-11e8-afd5-778aca903bbe\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/education/in-fairfax-a-lesson-on-why-words-matter-especially-in-sexual-health-class/2018/06/23/bc705114-6ef6-11e8-afd5-778aca903bbe_story.html)

<sup>16</sup> We need to bring quality learning opportunities and school choice to our neighborhood schools, and not depend on compulsory busing to move our students out of their neighborhoods to get quality learning.

Some school boundary changes are always needed in a fast-growing county, and numerous factors require balancing often competing values, community preferences and needs, and limited resources. An important value that has consensus across all County stakeholders is equality of opportunity for all students, including access to programs and great learning opportunities. However, approaches vary on how to achieve this equality given limited resources and community preferences. In this work session, the FPAC had recommended planning boundary changes based on growth factors. Some School Board members, as well as the Superintendent, emphasized instead the importance of other priorities, especially implementation of OneFairfax policies. For context, a transcription of the entire June 26, 2018 School Board work session is here <https://fairfaxgop.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/FPAC-6-26-2018-Fairfax-School-Board-Work-Session-Transcript.pdf>. Whatever their positions on which values should drive boundary changes, to their credit all School Board members and the Superintendent agree that this is an important policy debate that needs to be engaged with the community as soon as possible.

Republican policies for success of each individual student have long advocated parents having school choice, including choices among charter schools, various voucher programs, and their own neighborhood schools, to create more equality of opportunity for all students, with benefits especially to minority, disabled and socio-economically disadvantaged students. For a recent public opinion poll on the issue, see <https://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/education/2018/08/21/support-school-choice-growing-among-republicans/37552113/>. According to a recent Brookings Institution survey, Republicans highly value each individual student’s success, across all demographic categories. The Brookings survey indicates areas of consensus values across partisan and stakeholder positions, suggesting possible future ways to develop policies that all stakeholders can support, given limited resources <https://www.brookings.edu/blog/brown-center-chalkboard/2018/02/20/comparing-what-parents-and-the-public-and-democrats-and-republicans-want-from-schools/>.

Another consensus value in the County for over half a century has been integration across ethnic, racial and socio-economic categories, though sometimes that value competes with community preferences for students to attend neighborhood schools as well as limited resources. One of several policy questions posed by the June 26 work session is whether moving (presumably by bus) students outside of neighborhood boundaries is the only – or even the best – way to provide high quality learning experiences accessible to all students, given community preferences for neighborhood schools and limited resources. Criticism of compulsory busing is bi-partisan going back to the 1970s, including opposition by Democratic leaders led by Senator Joseph Biden, according to the New York Times <https://www.nytimes.com/1975/12/21/archives/busing-the-solution-that-has-failed-to-solve.html>, as well as other Democratic leaders according to long-time Democratic advisor Ted Van Dyk <https://www.politico.com/magazine/story/2015/08/school-busing-civil-rights-121077>.

As two Century Foundation studies have found, other methods of integration can be more effective than busing, especially for socio-economic integration: see “A New Wave of School Integration” <https://tcf.org/content/report/a-new-wave-of-school-integration/?agreed=1> and “How Racially Diverse Schools

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and Classrooms Can Benefit All Students” <https://tcf.org/content/report/how-racially-diverse-schools-and-classrooms-can-benefit-all-students/> , both of which discuss best practices including school choice in combination with incremental boundary changes and other approaches for increasing each individual student’s success. The authors of the second Century Foundation study note “Adding further to the political and legal sustainability of integration is the emergence of new policies that rely on choice and incentives rather than compulsory busing, and that use socioeconomic rather than racial indicators as the primary basis for integration.” A Brookings Institution study also found that school choice, in the form of charter schools, is not likely to increase segregation and “can play a role in lessening the segregation of schools by race and class.” <https://www.brookings.edu/research/does-expanding-school-choice-increase-segregation/> . A poll by Beck Research found that “three-quarters of all Latinos polled support school choice. The same poll found that support for school choice among African Americans is also high at around 72 percent. Even though school choice is typically seen as a Republican issue, the same poll also found that a slight majority of Democrats (55 percent) support school choice, suggesting that educational freedom is quickly becoming a bipartisan issue.” <https://www.heritage.org/2017-index-culture-and-opportunity/future-school-choice-looks-bright-thanks-minority-support>

For a representative discussion of these competing values (however not including school choice as a value) in boundary changes, see comments by School Board member Pat Hynes, starting at 51:42 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lanLp0XQ93U> : “I do think it’s important to go out front on the fact that we may have major boundary changes in ten years and if nothing else just sort of give the community notice and to have our processes and priorities in place before we start to do that. I mean I would love to see just a headline in the Washington Post that says ‘If you buy a house in Fairfax County don’t expect your kids to go to that school ten years from now.’ Because I do think we have a culture of – and we do see it in Vienna – people who walk into the Boundary Change meeting and don’t even have kids in the school yet and they want to argue with us about whether or not their house should be boundaried in or out. We have created this expectation that come heck or high water, if you’re at that address, your kids will go to that school. It’s just not going to be possible anymore in this county that’s growing so quickly where land is so expensive that things are just going to change. I think parents and homeowners have to be alerted to all of that. So on the question of having processes and priorities in place, I know we’re working on that, one of the things that I don’t think we’ve mentioned tonight and I just think we should every time we talk about boundaries, is to make sure that in our priorities, there’s a lot of things we think about when we do boundaries, right, but we definitely want to have equity and integration pretty high in those priorities, right. Because we can very easily lose that...There are assumptions made about why we make certain decisions and I think if we don’t make very clear that equity and integration are a big part of what we do – so anyway...”

Also supporting the argument that boundary changes should be prioritized based on the the OneFairfax goals, Superintendent Brabrand’s final comments start at 1:12:11: “One, I want to be clear, I’ll bring you a plan this fall around boundaries. Not next year, not two years from now, not ten years from now. I am bringing you a plan this fall that can help us start to have the foundation. **And, as I shared with you guys a few months ago, under the context of One Fairfax. And that may mean us looking at multiple things, far deeper and richer than we’ve ever looked at before.** ...One of the hardest things a school board member or a superintendent has to deal with is school boundaries. And you heard the political pressures are real. It can be a game changer for people who sit around the table. Everyone who sits around the table. And it’s not something to take lightly when you put up any words about boundaries. Because it does bring concern. And in many communities, it’s been disruptive and divisive. Including in this county. Years and years ago. And that’s one reason why boundaries have really been like a third rail. But I want to leave you some hope. I want to – it’s five minutes before ten. One, we can finish before ten and have only a thirteen hour day. **We move lots of kids outside of their neighborhood boundary right now** and they willingly go. We do. But they go because they believe there’s something somewhere else that is of high quality and better. When we have that excellence in every neighborhood school, in every neighborhood school, we can do a relatively speaker smoother, less contentious boundary study. But in a county where people believe inequity exists, you are going to continue to have people fight to say, **are we OneFairfax or I’m in my Fairfax and my Fairfax is only my boundary. And, I mean, let’s – right? You all hired me to name it, so that’s the discussion.**

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**The good news is, I heard many of you willing to start to put it out there tonight. We’ve just got to be honest with the community straight up about what we’re talking about and what we’re not.** But the community has been willing to move beyond their own boundary if the quality was that good. If it’s that good in every school, the boundary issue, the spectre of changing boundaries becomes much, much less reduced. **And that’s why the equity work that we’re beginning has got to accelerate in the years ahead.** So that these issues, these differences that many of you come and talk about so passionately are not near as broad as what people perceive them to be.”

The County's policies should balance factors to reflect the community's shared goal for every individual student's success and equality of opportunities, in the context of limited resources and competing community preferences for parental school choice and neighborhood schools.

<sup>17</sup> [http://www.fcta.org/Pubs/Handouts/2017\\_fcta\\_palmcard.pdf](http://www.fcta.org/Pubs/Handouts/2017_fcta_palmcard.pdf)

<sup>18</sup> <https://www.fcps.edu/index.php/about-fcps/budget/FY2018>

<sup>19</sup> <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news2/adopted-fy-2019-budget-highlights-real-estate-tax-and-school-funding/>

<sup>20</sup> [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oDL6H\\_vWOWM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oDL6H_vWOWM)

<sup>21</sup> <http://www.familyfoundation.org/file/>. The principle of parental “opt-in” consent is also supported by the Republican National Committee. In July 2018 at the Republican National Committee’s summer meeting in Texas, a resolution requiring parents’ prior written consent for sex ed passed unanimously. The resolution was offered by Virginia Committeewoman Cynthia Dunbar. For the full text of the resolution, see

<http://www.frcblog.com/2018/07/rnc-schools-must-get-yes-parents-teaching-radical-sex-ed/>

<sup>22</sup> For a recent discussion of the importance of biologic sex (instead of gender construction) to research initiatives at Women’s Health Research at Yale, see <https://www.city-journal.org/html/gender-construct-16117.html> and <https://medicine.yale.edu/whr/>

<sup>23</sup> [http://www.fairfaxtimes.com/articles/fairfax\\_county/fcps-curriculum-takes-biological-gender-out-of-its-official-language/article\\_8fe1fd5c-763d-11e8-b0e2-4b85ebdb3813.html](http://www.fairfaxtimes.com/articles/fairfax_county/fcps-curriculum-takes-biological-gender-out-of-its-official-language/article_8fe1fd5c-763d-11e8-b0e2-4b85ebdb3813.html)

<sup>24</sup> [http://www.fairfaxtimes.com/articles/fairfax\\_county/fcps-curriculum-takes-biological-gender-out-of-its-official-language/article\\_8fe1fd5c-763d-11e8-b0e2-4b85ebdb3813.html](http://www.fairfaxtimes.com/articles/fairfax_county/fcps-curriculum-takes-biological-gender-out-of-its-official-language/article_8fe1fd5c-763d-11e8-b0e2-4b85ebdb3813.html)

<sup>25</sup> Summary: <http://concernedparentsandeducators.org/2018/05/> Official Recommendations to the School Board: [https://www.boarddocs.com/vsba/fairfax/Board.nsf/files/AYKU7H699ED9/\\$file/FLECAC%20Annual%20Recommendations%20Report%202017\\_18\\_051018g.pdf](https://www.boarddocs.com/vsba/fairfax/Board.nsf/files/AYKU7H699ED9/$file/FLECAC%20Annual%20Recommendations%20Report%202017_18_051018g.pdf) page 19

<sup>26</sup> [https://www.boarddocs.com/vsba/fairfax/Board.nsf/files/AYKU7H699ED9/\\$file/FLECAC%20Annual%20Recommendations%20Report%202017\\_18\\_051018g.pdf](https://www.boarddocs.com/vsba/fairfax/Board.nsf/files/AYKU7H699ED9/$file/FLECAC%20Annual%20Recommendations%20Report%202017_18_051018g.pdf) pages 6, 8, 20,

<sup>27</sup> On health risks see <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s40124-018-0163-x>;

<https://www.ingentaconnect.com/content/wk/mnh/2018/00000027/00000002/art00008> ;

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5892678/> ; <http://www.hivandhepatitis.com/hiv-prevention/hiv-prep/6062-pas-2017-many-provides-wary-of-providing-prep-for-young-patients>

<sup>28</sup> <https://www.aidshealth.org/gilead-lawsuits-california-hiv-patients-file-class-action-and-personal-injury-cases-over-key-hiv-drug/> ; <http://www.truvadalawsuits.com> ; <https://www.thejusticelawyer.com/practice-areas/detail/truvada-lawsuit/> and as background, the changing legal environment for minors

[https://www.bakerinstitute.org/media/files/news/38948bcb/FDA\\_Rules\\_State\\_Laws\\_Stifle\\_PrEP\\_Research\\_For\\_Teens\\_At\\_Risk\\_Of\\_HIV\\_InsideHealthPolicy.pdf](https://www.bakerinstitute.org/media/files/news/38948bcb/FDA_Rules_State_Laws_Stifle_PrEP_Research_For_Teens_At_Risk_Of_HIV_InsideHealthPolicy.pdf)

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### “Fairfax County Wants Legal Immigrants ... Not Illegal Aliens”

<sup>29</sup> <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/demographics/fairfax-county-general-overview> (actual percentage is 37.9% based on 2016 and 2017 data)

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<sup>30</sup> <https://www.fairfaxcountyeda.org/living-here/education/k-12> Note that the FCPS states a higher number for elementary school students (182 languages) <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/demographics/languages-spoken-home-fairfax-county-elementary-students>

<sup>31</sup> <https://ifstudies.org/blog/most-immigrant-families-are-traditional-families> and on intergenerational sense of obligation affecting behavior <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/article/family-obligation-among-children-immigrant-families>

<sup>32</sup> All data is from 2012 <https://www.fairfaxcountyeda.org/facts-and-figures/minority-and-woman-owned-business-facts>

<sup>33</sup> <http://thehill.com/homenews/administration/320487-poll-americans-overwhelmingly-oppose-sanctuary-cities>

<sup>34</sup> <http://annandaleva.blogspot.com/2018/03/immigrant-advocates-urge-county.html>

<sup>35</sup> <https://fairfaxnews.com/2018/01/herrity-sheriffs-decision-imperils-fight-gangs/>

<sup>36</sup> <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2017/10/25/ms-13-has-nearly-as-many-members-as-police-in-one-wealthy-virginia-county.html>

<sup>37</sup> <https://fairfaxnews.com/2018/01/herrity-sheriffs-decision-imperils-fight-gangs/>

<sup>38</sup> <https://wtop.com/local/2017/06/ms-13-how-a-gang-was-revitalized-in-the-dc-area/>

<sup>39</sup> <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-5875709/Eleven-MS-13-gangsters-charged-kidnapping-murdering-two-teenagers.html>

<sup>40</sup> <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/topics/immigrants-fairfax-county>

<sup>41</sup> <https://ucr.fbi.gov/crime-in-the-u.s/2017/preliminary-report/tables/table-3>

<sup>42</sup> All Fairfax data reported in [http://www.fairfaxtimes.com/articles/fairfax-county-crime-decreases-overall-in-but-some-crimes-increase/article\\_5c63d1ca-3b51-11e8-b2b6-3f2a55c7deee.html](http://www.fairfaxtimes.com/articles/fairfax-county-crime-decreases-overall-in-but-some-crimes-increase/article_5c63d1ca-3b51-11e8-b2b6-3f2a55c7deee.html)

<sup>43</sup> <https://www.dhs.gov/news/2018/02/15/make-america-safe-again-we-must-end-sanctuary-cities-and-remove-criminal-aliens>

<sup>44</sup> <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/sheriff/sheriff-terminates-intergovernmental-service-agreement-ice>

<sup>45</sup> Tisha Lewis, reporter for Fox5 DC: <https://twitter.com/TishaLewis/status/1027227073042108417>

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### “Republicans Work for You: Americans Are Better Off Now”

<sup>46</sup> <https://www.betteroffnow.gov>

<sup>47</sup> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/articles/jobs-boom-continues-pull-workers-off-sidelines/>

<sup>48</sup> <https://money.cnn.com/2018/06/01/news/economy/may-jobs-report/index.html>

<sup>49</sup> <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-05-04/black-and-hispanic-unemployment-in-america-reach-record-lows>

<sup>50</sup> <https://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/jolts.pdf>

<sup>51</sup> <http://time.com/money/5130699/new-tax-bill-paycheck-irs-calculator/>

<sup>52</sup> <https://www.atr.org/sites/default/files/assets/National%20List%20of%20Tax%20Reform%20Good%20News%202812%29.pdf>

<sup>53</sup> <https://www.nfib.com/content/press-release/economy/increases-in-labor-compensation-reaches-record-level-in-may/> and <http://sbecouncil.org/2018/07/03/tax-cuts-and-jobs-act-fueling-the-economy-and-small-business-growth/>

<sup>54</sup> <https://www.conference-board.org/data/consumerconfidence.cfm> and <https://www.jec.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/republicans/analysis?ID=47AC5CD0-000D-4D4C-AC49-CBB6111DC9B7>

<sup>55</sup> [https://appropriations.house.gov/uploadedfiles/03.21.18\\_fy18\\_omnibus\\_-\\_opioids\\_-\\_one\\_pager.pdf](https://appropriations.house.gov/uploadedfiles/03.21.18_fy18_omnibus_-_opioids_-_one_pager.pdf)

<sup>56</sup> Bills signed into law to fight human trafficking include: Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act (<https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/1865/>), the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign Authorization Act (<https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/4708/>), the No Human Trafficking on Our Roads Act (<https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/1532/>), and the

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Combating Human Trafficking in Commercial Vehicles Act (<https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/1536> )

<sup>57</sup> [https://appropriations.house.gov/uploadedfiles/03.21.18\\_fy18\\_omnibus - school safety - one pager.pdf](https://appropriations.house.gov/uploadedfiles/03.21.18_fy18_omnibus_-_school_safety_-_one_pager.pdf)

<sup>58</sup> The “Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program Authorization Act of 2018” was sponsored by Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-VA), and signed into law on June 18, 2018 [www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/3249](http://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/3249)

<sup>59</sup> S.1094 - Department of Veterans Affairs Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act of 2017, was signed into law June 23, 2017 <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/1094>

<sup>60</sup> The VA MISSION ACT of 2018 was signed into law June 6, 2018 <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/2372>

<sup>61</sup> The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 was signed into law December 12, 2017 <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/2810>

<sup>62</sup> <https://www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1394990/trump-signs-fiscal-year-2018-defense-authorization/>

<sup>63</sup> <https://www.military.com/daily-news/2017/11/08/house-senate-negotiators-agree-24-troop-pay-raise-2018.html>

<sup>64</sup> <http://time.com/raqqa-ruins-isis-retreat/>

<sup>65</sup> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/notice-regarding-continuation-national-emergency-respect-north-korea/>

<sup>66</sup> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/statement-president-reimposition-united-states-sanctions-respect-iran/>

<sup>67</sup> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/president-donald-j-trump-standing-russias-malign-activities/>

<sup>68</sup> <http://www.atimes.com/article/us-tailors-forces-deter-growing-chinese-nuclear-threat/>

<sup>69</sup> <https://www.defense.gov/News/Article/Article/1394990/trump-signs/igphoto/2001868737/>

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### “Republicans for Equal Opportunity: A History of Equal Rights and the Republican Party”

<sup>70</sup> A longer version of this history is posted at the Fairfax County Republican Committee website at <https://fairfaxgop.org/resources/republican-party-history/> reprinted with permission from the history posted by the Republican Party of Virginia Beach at <http://rpvb.org/republican-party-history/>

<sup>71</sup> <https://www.britannica.com/topic/Republican-Party>

<sup>72</sup> <https://www.britannica.com/event/United-States-presidential-election-of-1860>

<sup>73</sup> <https://www.archives.gov/exhibits/featured-documents/emancipation-proclamation>

<sup>74</sup> <https://www.loc.gov/item/today-in-history/april-09/>

<sup>75</sup> <https://www.fords.org/lincolns-assassination/>

<sup>76</sup> <https://www.senate.gov/artandhistory/history/common/generic/CivilWarAmendments.htm>

<sup>77</sup> Note that the First Civil Rights Act of 1870, passed by the Republican 41<sup>st</sup> Congress, “Prohibited discrimination in voter registration on the basis of race, color, or previous condition of servitude. Established penalties for interfering with a person’s right to vote. Gave federal courts the power to enforce the act and to employ the use of federal marshals and the army to uphold it.” And the Second Civil Rights Act of 1871, also passed by the Republican 41<sup>st</sup> Congress, “Placed all elections in both the North and South under federal control. Allowed for the appointment of election supervisors by federal circuit judges. Authorized U.S. Marshals to employ deputies to maintain order at polling places.” <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Historical-Data/Constitutional-Amendments-and-Legislation/>

<sup>78</sup> <https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/features/grant-xxx/>

<sup>79</sup> <https://www.britannica.com/topic/Ku-Klux-Klan>

<sup>80</sup> <https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/features/wilson-and-race-relations/>

<sup>81</sup> Actually, the Republicans worked for women’s suffrage continuously after the Civil War and through the passage of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment (the Equal Suffrage Amendment) in 1919 granting women the right to vote

<http://www.nfrw.org/women-milestones>

<sup>82</sup> <https://www.irb.co.uk/blog/2010/08/20/hsfbilliafrica-com/when-the-republicans-were-right/>

<sup>83</sup> <https://www.haaretz.com/jewish/.premium-1887-u-s-names-jew-as-ottoman-minister-1.5421764>

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<sup>84</sup> <https://www.nps.gov/jame/learn/historyculture/upload/Native-American-Citizenship-2.pdf>  
<sup>85</sup> <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/index.php?pid=29640>  
<sup>86</sup> <https://www.trumanlibrary.org/anniversaries/desegblurb.htm>  
<sup>87</sup> <https://www.britannica.com/biography/Earl-Warren>  
<sup>88</sup> [https://eisenhower.archives.gov/research/online\\_documents/civil\\_rights\\_act.html](https://eisenhower.archives.gov/research/online_documents/civil_rights_act.html)  
<sup>89</sup> [http://www.americaslibrary.gov/aa/eisenhower/aa\\_eisenhower\\_littlerock\\_1.html](http://www.americaslibrary.gov/aa/eisenhower/aa_eisenhower_littlerock_1.html)  
<sup>90</sup> [http://archive.boston.com/ae/books/articles/2007/11/21/an\\_inside\\_look\\_at\\_eisenhowers\\_civil\\_rights\\_record/](http://archive.boston.com/ae/books/articles/2007/11/21/an_inside_look_at_eisenhowers_civil_rights_record/)  
<sup>91</sup> <https://www.nixonfoundation.org/2017/08/nixons-record-civil-rights-2/>  
<sup>92</sup> <https://www.eeoc.gov/eeoc/history/35th/milestones/1972.html>  
<sup>93</sup> <https://history.state.gov/departmenthistory/people/powell-colin-luther>  
<sup>94</sup> <https://history.state.gov/departmenthistory/people/rice-condoleezza>  
<sup>95</sup> <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-05-04/black-and-hispanic-unemployment-in-america-reach-record-lows>  
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<sup>97</sup> <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/upcoming>  
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<sup>99</sup> <https://www.fcps.edu/index.php/calendars/2018-2019-fcps-standard-school-year-calendar>  
<sup>100</sup> <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/topics/contact/hotlines-and-emergency-numbers>