BIBB COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Dan A. Sims, Superintendent

INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Public Education for Bibb County ("Board")
Dr. Dan A. Sims, Superintendent

From: Jamie Cassady, Assistant Superintendent for Student Affairs
Sherry H. Culves, Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP

Subject: Policy JHC: Student Organizations **(First Reading)**

Summary

The District is presenting Policy JHC: Student Organizations and Regulation JHC-R(1) for First Reading.

Background

The revisions to Policy JHC and Regulation JHC-R(1) are proposed to incorporate new requirements of 2026 Senate Bill 179 related to patriotic societies and Senate Bill 552 related to student political activities.

Policy JHC

Policy JHC has been revised to incorporate the requirements of newly enacted legislation allowing equal access to schools who wish to conduct a meeting on the basis of the political, philosophical, ideological, or other content of such speech at such meetings.

Regulation JHC-R(1)

Proposed revisions to JHC-R(1) are as follows:

- Update to definitions to include "sponsor" and "patriotic society";
- Addition of language to provide patriotic societies an opportunity to speak, as required by Senate Bill 179; and
- Minor revisions for clarity.

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Next Steps

Policy: The District will post Policy JHC: Student Organizations for First Reading on Simbli to receive input from the Board members and stakeholders for 30 days. The policy will be brought to the next board meeting for second reading and final Board adoption and approval.

Regulation: The Board is requested to provide District administration with feedback regarding revisions to Regulation JHC-R(1). The administration will then make any additional changes based on feedback from the Board. The regulation will be adopted by the administration and posted on Simbli.

Superintendent's Comments and Approval

Superintendent's Signature	Approved / Not Approved
Dr. Dan A. Sims	Approved