

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

March 25, 2025

SUBJECT:

Consideration to Fund a Second Elementary Assistant Principal in 2025 – 2026

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Among the Administration's highest budget priorities for the 2025 – 2026 school year is staffing a second assistant principal at the largest elementary schools. Elementary schools are currently staffed with one assistant principal regardless of enrollment.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

Similar to past instances where the Administration has sought approval in advance of the First Reading of the budget, the Administration requests Board pre-approval to begin the hiring process for a second assistant principal at elementary schools with enrollment, based on 2025 – 2026 student projections, of 500 or more students. The Administration is making the request now because of its potential impact on classrooms. If approved, the following elementary schools would receive a second 210-day assistant principal: Millbrook, East Aiken, Chukker Creek, Aiken, Belvedere, Hammond Hill, North Augusta, Mossy Creek, Jefferson, Byrd, and Redcliffe.

The addition of a second assistant principal at 500 students would match the middle school formula.

If approved, the District would staff 11 of its 21 elementary schools with a second assistant principal. The estimated cost of \$1,430,000 would be built into the 2025 – 2026 budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve funding for a second elementary assistant principal at the identified schools for 2025 – 2026.

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