

**AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE 17, SECTION 8-17.4  
ENTITLED "DEFINITIONS" OF THE POLICIES OF THE SUFFOLK CITY  
SCHOOL BOARD - FIRST READING**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the School Board of the City of Suffolk, Virginia that Chapter 8, Article 17, Section 8-17.4 entitled "Definitions" of the Policies of the Suffolk City School Board, be, and the same is hereby added as follows:

**Section 8-17.4 Definitions.** – For purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply.

"Multi-division online provider" means (i) a private or nonprofit organization that enters into a contract with a local school board to provide online courses or programs through that school board to students who reside in Virginia both within and outside the geographical boundaries of that school division; (ii) a private or nonprofit organization that enters into contracts with multiple local school boards to provide online courses or programs to students in kindergarten through grade 12 through those school boards; or (iii) a local school board that provides online courses or programs to students who reside in Virginia but outside the geographical boundaries of that school division. However, "multi-division online provider" shall not include (a) a local school board's online learning program in which fewer than 10 percent of the students enrolled reside outside the geographical boundaries of that school division; (b) multiple local school boards that establish joint online courses or programs in which fewer than 10 percent of the students enrolled reside outside the geographical boundaries of those school divisions; (c) local school boards that provide online learning courses or programs for their students through an arrangement with a public or private institution of higher education; or (d) local school boards providing online courses or programs through a private or nonprofit organization that has been approved as a multi-division online provider.

"Online course" means a course or grade-level subject instruction that (i) is delivered by a multi-division online provider primarily electronically using the Internet or other computer-based methods and (ii) is taught by a teacher primarily from a remote location, with student access to the teacher given synchronously, asynchronously, or both.

"Virtual school program" means a series of online courses with instructional content that (i) is delivered by a multi-division online provider primarily electronically using the Internet or other computer-based methods; (ii) is taught by a teacher primarily from a remote location, with student access to the teacher given synchronously, asynchronously, or both; (iii) is delivered as a part-time or full-time program; and (iv) has an online component with online lessons and tools for student and data management.

**Legal Authority** – Virginia Code §§ 22.1-212.24, 22.1-212.25, 22.1-212.26, 22.1-212.27, 22.1-215, 22.1-296.1, 22.1-296.2, and 22.1-296.4 (1950), as amended.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that all phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, subsections, sections and chapters of the School Board's Policy Manual not amended or repealed shall remain in full force and effect.

**FIRST READING:** \_\_\_\_\_

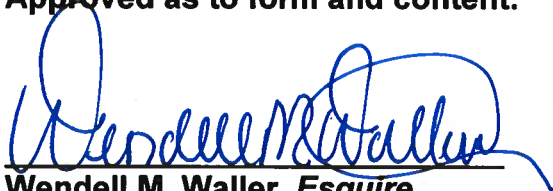
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**CLERK**

**Approved as to form and content:**



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