

**Virginia Department of Education**

Authorization of Signature in Absence of Division Superintendent  
Suffolk City Public Schools

The School Board of the Country, City, or Town of **Suffolk City** at a meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_ by duly recorded vote approved and authorized the person(s) listed below to sign all Virginia Department of Education reports, documents, requisitions, and other official correspondence in the absence of the Division Superintendent.

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| <b>Dr. Okema Branch</b>  | <b>Rodney Brown</b>  |
| Chief Academic Officer   | Chief  |
| Chief Academic Officer   | Chief of Administrative Services                                   |
| Signature:<br><b><u>Signature on File</u></b>                      | Signature:<br><b><u>Signature on File</u></b>                      |
| Authorization Approved<br>through: <b><u>December 31, 2023</u></b> | Authorization Approved<br>through: <b><u>December 31, 2023</u></b> |
| Extended<br>through: <b><u>June 30, 2024</u></b>                   | Extended<br>through: <b><u>June 30, 2024</u></b>                   |

This is to certify that the signature authorization action was approved and incorporated in the minutes of said School Board on the aforementioned date.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Division Superintendent  
  
Dr. John B. Gordon III  
Printed Name of Division Superintendent

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Signature of School Board Chair  
  
Tyron D. Riddick  
Printed Name of School Board Chair  
  
Seal of Clerk of the School Board

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Signature of Clerk of the School Board  
  
Tarshia L. Gardner  
Printed Name of Clerk of the School Board

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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