

**BYLAWS**  
**School Health Advisory Committee**  
**Fairfax County Public Schools**

ARTICLE I – NAME AND PURPOSE

- Section 1: The committee shall be known as the School Health Advisory Committee, hereinafter referred to as the Committee and generally known as SHAC. The Committee shall be formed in compliance with section 22.1-275.1 of the Code of Virginia.
- Section 2: The committee shall advise the Fairfax County School Board on health issues that affect the youth in Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) and the community. The Committee shall:
- (a) serve as the catalyst for promoting student health
  - (b) provide advice to serve as advocates for particular health concerns

ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1: The committee shall include no more than twenty (20) voting members with a broad base of representation including parents, students, health professionals, and educators.
- Section 2: Each School Board member shall be asked to nominate a committee member from his or her district, and each at-large School Board member shall nominate one representative regardless of the district. Other members are appointed by the School Board representing a variety of citizen groups, as mandated by the School Board regulation 1710.
- Section 3: The School Board appointees shall serve for two years, with the exception of the student representative, who shall serve for one year.
- Section 4: Other FCPS staff members may serve on the committee as non-voting members in a consulting capacity.

ARTICLE III: MEETINGS

- Section 1: A minimum of two meetings are required to be held each school year. Generally, seven meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month during the months of September, October, November, January, February, March, and April pending approval of committee members each fall.
- Section 2: All issues to be voted on shall be decided by a simple majority of those present at the meeting in which the vote takes place.
- Section 3: Meetings are open to the public. Public comment is limited to the first fifteen minutes of the meeting. Each speaker is allowed three minutes. Advance notice is required by contacting the FCPS staff liaison to the School Board.

ARTICLE IV: CHANGES TO THE BYLAWS

- Section 1: These by-laws may be amended at any scheduled meeting of the membership by a majority vote if a quorum (11 members) exists, provided that the proposed amendment is submitted at a previous general meeting and sent out with the regular committee announcement.