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Dear Parents, Community Partners, and Surry County Public Schools,

I am writing to thank each of you for participating in the 2021-2022 Special Education Advisory Committee. The function of the committee is as follows:

* to advise the schools on the needs of children with disabilities

*to develop strategies for meeting the needs of children with disabilities

*to implement plans within the community to support children with disabilities.

This has been a great year for our youth. Our students were able to participate in the Special Olympics Basketball Tournament, each school has a sensory room that the students have access to, and Ms. Myrick has joined us as the new Director of Special Education and Federal Programs.

We would like to congratulate this year's senior class and encourage them in their future endeavors. We would also like to congratulate the 8th graders and the 4th graders that are transitioning to their respective schools. Please continue to support our public school system by participating in SEAC and consider holding an office next year on the committee. Our students continue to be resilient and brave in having to learn to overcome adversity and obstacle that they face in our society.

We the Special Education Advisory Committee, thank you for another successful year with Surry County Public Schools and hope that you and your family have an amazing summer. We look forward to working with you during the 2022-2023 school year.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Paquita M. Spratley **Presiding Chair**

Mrs. Jackie Ricks Vice-Chair

Mrs. Valerie Farrar Teacher Representative

Mrs. Natasha Myrick **Director of Special Education**

Ms. Jasmine Highsmith-Ruffin Secretary SEAC