



AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING

Item Briefing Number:	VII-I
Meeting Date:	May 10, 2021
Subject:	Certification for Virginia Regional Migrant Education Program
Policy or other reference:	Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) Title I, Part C, Education of Migratory Children

Background: The Virginia Regional Migrant Education Program was established to help track and provide support for students who are considered "migratory". A child is considered "migratory" based upon whether or not a move was made within the past 36 months "to enable" the child or a member of the child's immediate family "to obtain temporary or seasonal employment in an agricultural or fishing activity."

Staunton City Schools has had a minimal number of students qualify as "migrant" over the years.

Discussion: The regional agency for Staunton City Schools is the Albemarle Regional Migrant Education Program. Through signed participation, the agency notifies school divisions of any transitions of migrant students/families into the division and provides additional supports for students in meeting academic goals (i.e. after-school tutoring that is funded by this agency). The services that they provide reduce educational disruptions that result from repeated moves, ensure services address needs in a coordinated and efficient manner, and assist in transitions for students. Signing the certification would continue this support and regional partnership.

Suggested Motion: I move that the school board certify participation in the Virginia Regional Migrant Education Program for 2021-2022.