Office of the Superintendent of Schools MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Rockville, Maryland

August 11, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To:	Members of the Board of Education
From:	Monifa B. McKnight, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Subject:	Study Circles Program (06-10-2021-02-D)

During the *Final Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget* discussion, Board members requested the following information:

Question D

Ms. Silvestre requested updated information regarding what will happen to the Study Circles program.

Response

The Study Circles program will remain a part of the Equity Initiatives Unit (EIU) support to schools and offices. To date, more than 16,000 staff, students, and community members have participated in Study Circles. EIU staff have offered facilitator training to high school students and staff to gain the knowledge and skills to lead the process in their schools with the support of the EIU. All of the equity specialists and trained staff in the Office of Teaching, Learning, and Schools can facilitate and organize the process. The EIU staff will continue to support Study Circles throughout the district and train staff to lead the process.

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Copy to: Executive Staff Mrs. Webb