

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: April 21, 2009

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED NAMING OF THE NEW TOWSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

ORIGINATOR: Lyle R. Patzkowsky, Area Assistant Superintendent, Central

RESOURCE PERSON(S): Michele Prumo, Executive Director, Planning and Support Operations

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approve the naming of the new elementary school in the Towson area, to be constructed on the property that also includes the Ridge Ruxton School, as “**West Towson Elementary School.**”

This is the third reading.

The new elementary school will draw its students from the Towson area. Though a different location, the new school would continue a long history and rich legacy of serving the families in greater Towson. If the former Towson elementary school was reopened in the future, it could be renamed Towsontown Elementary School since it is located in the midst of downtown Towson. Until the 1970’s, Towsontown Junior High existed at the site which is now George Washington Carver Center for the Arts and Technology.