



## CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

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### SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION SHEET CHARLOTTESVILLE CITY SCHOOL BOARD

<b>DATE:</b>	May 7, 2026
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Recognition of the 2026 Virginia School Boards Association Business Honor Roll Recipients - Dr. Stacey Heltz
<b>BACKGROUND INFORMATION:</b>	<p>Each year, the Virginia School Boards Association (VSBA) allows school boards to nominate local businesses that provide vital support to their school division. This recognition highlights the powerful impact local organizations have on public education and the connection they build between schools and the broader community.</p> <p>On April 10, 2026, the VSBA officially recognized three Charlottesville City School Board nominees for the Business Honor Roll. These businesses were selected for their dedication to ensuring every student has access to meaningful opportunities for success. The 2026 recipients are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Flow Automotive</b> (Jason Keranen and George Alphin)</li><li>● <b>Trend Salon</b> (Tara Kennedy and Maria Munoz Alonso)</li><li>● <b>Black Bear Composting</b> (Eric Walter)</li></ul> <p>Commendation certificates signed by VSBA President Jenny Nichols and Executive Director Gina Patterson have been issued to be presented during this meeting.</p>
<b>STRATEGIC PLAN:</b>	<p>Provide a culture of safety, wellness and belonging:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- CCS will support social, emotional, and physical wellness.</li><li>- CCS will foster a strong sense of community.</li></ul>
<b>ACTION REQUIRED:</b>	Formally recognize the 2026 VSBA Business Honor Roll recipients by presenting their commendation certificates
<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b>	In recognition of their outstanding contributions and ongoing support of this community's public schools, it is recommended that the Board formally honor Flow Automotive, Trend Salon, and Black Bear Composting.
<b>CONTACT PERSON(S):</b>	Dr. Stacey Heltz, Charlottesville Area Technical Education Center (CATEC) Director