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The May Policy Update, which was recently provided to members of VSBA Policy Services, contained several new and revised policies. Here's a summary of a few of the Policies.

Policy	Comment
BCF	Advisory Committees to the School Board Policy updated to reflect legislative actions making School Health Advisory Boards and Gifted Education Advisory Committees optional.
GCG	Professional Staff Probationary Term and Continuing Contract Policy updated to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-304 by HB 76/SB 278. The statutory amendments changed the date by which teachers who have not achieved continuing contract status must be notified of nonrenewal from April 15 to June 15.
GCPF	Suspension of Staff Members New policy addressing suspension of all staff members.
JFCL	Notification Regarding Prosecution of Juveniles as Adults New policy based on Va. Code § 22.1-279.4 which requires schools to distribute information prepared by the Office of the Attorney General.
JHCD	Administering Medications to Students Policy updated to reflect amendment of Va. Code §§ 22.1-274.2 and 54.1-3408 by HB 1107/SB656 (the epi-pen bill).
JHG	Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policy updated to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 63.1-1509 by HB 74. The statutory changes provide details of the process to be used if a school board employee makes a report of child abuse or neglect through a third party rather than reporting it directly.
LBD	Home Instruction Policy updated to reflect amendment of Va. Code § 22.1-254.1 by HB 1208/SB 564. The statutory amendment specifies that the curriculum required from parents who elect to provide home instruction to their children may include only a list of subjects taught.