## <u>Culpeper County Public Schools</u> Voluntary Incentive Retirement Program (CCPS VIRP)

## **Eligibility**

- 1. Regular full time employees are eligible to participate in the CCPS VIRP if they meet the following requirements:
  - a. Be eligible for early or full retirement under the provisions of the Virginia Retirement System (VRS)
    - i. Early retirement reduced benefit at age 50 with at least 10 years of service credit but less than 30 years of service credit
    - ii. Full retirement age 65 with at least 5 years of service credit or age 50 with at least 30 years of service credit
  - b. Have been employed by Culpeper County Public Schools for at least three (3) years prior to CCPS VIRP participation;
  - c. Retire through VRS no later than July 1, 2016.
- 2. Employees who have previously retired under VRS and who are not currently eligible for VRS shall not be eligible for the CCPS VIRP.
- 3. Employees retiring under the disability provisions of VRS shall not be eligible for the CCPS VIRP.

## **VIRP Benefit**

- 1. An employee who participates in the CCPS VIRP shall receive a benefit that is calculated as follows:
  - a. Compute the VRS average final compensation (AFC) at the date of retirement:
  - i. Compute the VRS basic benefit at the date of retirement; ii.
     Compute the VRS basic benefit with the addition of three (3) more years of service;
  - iii. The difference between the two basic benefit calculations is the VIRP benefit.
- 2. The benefit shall be distributed to the employee in a lump sum.

## <u>Application Approval & Submission</u>

- 1. VRS requests that all retirement applications be submitted at least 90 days before the effective date of retirement.
- 2. Retirement applications already submitted for the end of school year 2016 are eligible for the CCPS VIRP.
- 3. Participation in the CCPS VIRP is voluntary.
- 4. Approval will be at the sole discretion of the School Board or designee.