

## **APPROVAL OF NAME FOR SCHOOL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2550 GEORGETOWN ROAD**

**BACKGROUND:** On September 8, 2015, a committee of representatives met for the purpose of determining a name for the property located at 2550 Georgetown Road. A survey was released to the community on September 8 - 22. Name recommendations were submitted via online, email, and in committee meetings. The committee reconvened on September 29 and October 7 to determine a name.

The following is a list of committee members:

Shamiah Ford	Principal	Georgetown Road
Schuronda Morton	Interim Area Director	FCPS
Edwina Smith	Principal	Clays Mill Elementary
Chris Phillips	Parent	Coldstream Subdivision
Roanette Wilder	Parent	Coventry Subdivision
Shevawn Akers	District 2 Council Member	LFUCG

The rationale for naming the facility was to consider the geographical and historical significance of the Georgetown Road area. After researching historical information, it was discovered that the Oakwood Subdivision is the oldest and most historical neighborhood in which this school will service. It was only the second housing development in Lexington where African Americans could buy a new house. Oakwood opened the same year that Congress passed landmark civil rights legislation that prohibited housing discrimination. Coventry is the subdivision in which the school is located, and it is one of the newest neighborhoods the school will service. The name "COVENTRY OAKS ELEMENTARY" joins the history of the Georgetown Road area with the innovation of the area.

**PROPOSAL:** The committee for the naming of the property located at 2550 Georgetown Road is recommending to the Board of Education that this facility be named "COVENTRY OAKS ELEMENTARY".

Item	Amount	Funding Source	Measurable Expected Impact and Timeline
Naming the property located at 2550 Georgetown Road	0.00	NA	

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**POLICY REFERENCE:** 05.1 Facilities (Construction and Naming).

**RECOMMENDATION:** A motion is in order to:

"Name the property located at 2550 Georgetown Road "COVENTRY OAKS ELEMENTARY".