



# Fayette County Public Schools

## Executive Summary Fayette County Public Schools Board Meeting Agenda Item

**MEETING:** Regular

**DATE:** 3/24/2025

**TOPIC:** Naming of STEM Lab at Rise STEM Academy for Girls

**PREPARED BY:** Jennifer Hutchison, Chief of Schools

**Recommended Action on:**

Action Item for Vote (PLANNING MEETING)

**Superintendent Prior Approval:** Yes

**Recommendation/Motion:** A motion to approve naming a STEM Lab at the new Rise STEM Academy for Girls located on Versailles Road in honor of a FCPS partner.

**Background/Rationale:** In August 2026, Rise STEM Academy for Girls will open its new facility, featuring four state-of-the-art STEM labs dedicated to engaging students in innovative science, technology, engineering, and mathematics activities. A key aspect of the school's mission is to inspire and empower young women to pursue STEM careers by highlighting the achievements of prominent female figures in the field.

To this end, we propose naming one of the four STEM labs in honor of a distinguished woman in STEM. Placing a plaque outside the designated lab will serve as a constant reminder of her contributions and a source of inspiration for our students. This initiative aligns with our commitment to fostering student confidence and encouraging their pursuit of STEM-related pathways.

This action will not only recognize an outstanding individual but will also reinforce the school's core values of leadership, innovation, and perseverance, ultimately contributing to the transformation of the STEM industry by empowering the next generation of female leaders.

**Strategic Priority:**

- Student Achievement     Unity, Belonging & Student Efficacy
- Highly Effective, Culturally Responsive Workforce
- Outreach & Engagement     Organizational Health & Effectiveness

**Data Considerations:** [Click here to enter text.](#)

**Policy:** School Facilities 05.1

**Fiscal Impact:** \$0

**Attachments(s):** [Click here to enter text.](#)