

## Additional Comments

Really hoping the name stays. It's logical, it's Albemarle-specific, it's meaningful, it celebrates diversity and accomplishments. There is no reason to change it (especially since Murray HS has changed its name).

The first question does not allow for an appropriate response. The 3 categories do not adequately describe all of the choices.

Thanks for the work you are doing on this project. I feel that VA Murray's legacy is worth remembering through our school name

Are resources and time actually being spent to review the name of a school named after an amazing black woman? With everything else going on? Come on now.

I have one current student at VL Murray and two VL Murray graduates. The name both recognizes the heritage and history of the local area as well as brings to the foreground a person who valued education and worked to better the lives of those around her. Would Virginia Lee Murray, the person, be forgotten but for the school being in her name?

Renaming VL Murray Elementary would be a HUGE step backwards. This would throw away all of Virginia Lee Murray's accomplishments (in hard times that did NOT stop her from achieving), her legacy and impact, AND all that the name of the school represents. We are a community embracing every race, religion, gender, student, faculty and staff, and the local community outside of Murray has always been right there with us. VL Murray shouldn't even be in the conversation of renaming local schools. This is ridiculous.

Do not change the names of anything.

Stop wasting taxpayer money with petty agendas like this. Review the salaries of the bureaucracy that is rampant within the school administration.

I'm a proud alum of Murray. Part of my pride is in having come from a school with such a cool legacy and namesake. There is not a better person to have a school named after her than Virginia L. Murray!

Why don't you name the school after a place then you won't offend any human beings since we all seem to not be able to get along with one another. Jealousy, greed, envy, etc.

The name Virginia L. Murray is an important one in our community to help us remember how far we've come in providing equal education to our citizens regardless of race. It is an important lesson to be reminded of, as well. Keep this name on our school, please.

Why would we need to change this name? It's not white enough for the well to do Murray population?

As a previous student at Murray along with my brothers, I do not think Murray should be changed. I live on that street and it brings a lot of memories back just hearing the word Murray. Murray Elementary supports the Albemarle County values but it does not mean you need to change a name. There is absolutely no need because it portrays the history at the school and it shouldn't be forgotten about. It would be awful to see that school be named anything but Murray Elementary school .

I attended Murray soon after it was integrated, and many years later, so did my children. The name and history of the school were and continue to be welcome, encouraging, and important. I feel it is extremely important that we retain the name and honor Ms. Murray and her historic contributions to our school system.

2 of my 3 children attended from 1985-88. I was PTO President @ Murray; having had the pleasure of working w/Mrs. Bailey, the Principal. I subsequently became the 1st PTO President @ the new MLS. Virginia L. Murray's legacy to education was celebrated through the dedication and spirit of the teachers and staff! In this current divisive national environment it is most important to acknowledge an outstanding educator who worked tirelessly to meet the needs of those children who had limited opportunities! Albemarle County Schools need to continue to recognize her, contributions and commitment to her students! Leave the name as Virginia L. Murray Elementary School!

Virginia Murray is the perfect name for a wonderful school. Students across Virginia should learn about Ms Murray!

Keeping the name Murray helps to keep alive the memory of segregation and helps guide our understanding of our racist heritage. Black children were educated during segregation only because Black leaders fought for that education. I am grateful to Ms. Murray and other leaders who fought against the odds for education for Black children.

Wonderful, especially in this moment in time, to learn about Virginia L. Murray and to have my grandson's school named for her. Keep it please.

Those family members should be included in MCS's review as well.

Given the prior pattern in ACPS, I believe we should remove all names of schools that are named after persons. All individuals have flaws and the process of trying to sort out which persons are more/less flawed than others and if they therefore deserve to have a school named after them seems outlandish. Let's remove person names from the schools and move on.

Thank you for making Black history important.

Religious beliefs have no place in our schools. My child feels oppressed by attending a school that is named after such a religious promoter.

Keep the name and continue to honor Virginia Murray's extraordinary legacy. Don't erase history for political purposes.

i think we should keep the name

She seems like a wonderful person and educator. We should definitely keep the name of the school as it is.

Keep the name, she seems like a good person a represents appropriate values in education.

I think we should keep it it was named after a famous person.

No problem.

Not sure it is necessary to contact the family unless there is a lean towards changing the School's Name. I feel that the neighborhood the school is located in and the "trust" considered when initially naming the school V. L. Murray should hold true today.

The name is amazing we shouldn't change it.

Thank you

I Absolutely think Murray's name is perfect.

No. there is nothing that me or my parents know about where Virginia L. Murray's family is located.

If we were to change the name it should be something about the amazing things America has done and we should definitely make sure more students learn about the history of VLM

i love merrey almenchrey

I want to keep our name as Murray elementary because it goes with the Mustangs, Murray Mustangs

Please keep the name. It fits the history of our school and many people that went to the school are attached to the name.

After reading the history of both the school, and Ms. Murray, I hope you will vote to uphold the school's name in her honor.

This is ridiculous, leave the names alone on all the schools !

Please keep the name ASIS. There is nothing wrong with it!

Why would you possibly consider changing the name? Virginia L Murray deserves recognition.

In a time that is defined by a long overdue movement to bring equity and justice to our community, and to highlight the contributions of people of color, it would be a step in the wrong direction to remove Virginia's name from the school name. While it is important to review school names for references to immoral or racist people (almost always white racist men), this case is not and should not be part of that review movement. The fact that it is under review is being viewed as a marginally racist effort by many members of the community. At a time when we are renaming streets, places, and schools to be more inclusive and equitable, the last thing you should be doing at a mostly white school is considering the removal of a name of a black, female, education reformer.

I feel that the name "Murray" is simply a really good sounding name that greatly reflects what I feel the school is like.