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Feb. 23, 22 -- 5:18: PM	Andy	C.	Fairfield District - Roscoe D. Cooper, III	Please stop the discriminatory testing of athletes. It's a breach of confidentiality and unethical. Also, can you allow for personal choice for masking for teachers? They have rights, too.
Feb. 23, 22 -- 9:29: PM	Chris	Hilmes	Three Chopt District - Michelle F. Ogburn	Covid responses
Feb. 24, 22 -- 3:20: AM	Tina	Myers	Tuckahoe District - Marcie F. Shea	Why was my Granddaughter skipping class for almost two weeks and was not caught? What kind of security do you have in your high school?
Feb. 24, 22 -- 3:28: PM	K	O	Brookland District - Kristi B. Kinsella, Fairfield District - Roscoe D. Cooper, III, Three Chopt District - Michelle F. Ogburn, Tuckahoe District - Marcie F. Shea, Varina District - Alicia S. Atkins	Hopefully, we have enough textbooks for every student in case there was a power outage. We need to be prepared for another way to continue teaching and learning if technology is taken away due to a disaster.

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Feb. 24, 22 -- 8:35: PM	Ignored	Safety Concern	Brookland District - Kristi B. Kinsella, Three Chopt District - Michelle F. Ogburn, Tuckahoe District - Marcie F. Shea	<p>When will HCPS acknowledge and address the perpetual risk posed by the traffic and parking situation at Deep Run High School? There is unnecessary excess traffic and near and actual accidents in front of DRHS because there are not enough parking spots for student drivers, and the only two entrance points to the main lot bottle neck within 200 yards of each other on a high traffic road. I implore you to monitor the intersection of Twin Hickory Road and Twin Hickory Lake Drive in front of DRHS between 0830 and 0915 ANY day of the school week. You will see drivers stopped in the middle of the intersection during red lights, and drivers swerving into adjacent lanes in the intersection to avoid cross traffic cars blocking the intersection because they ran out of patience trying to get through the light when there is no clearance left in the driveway. It is not unusual to see that only ONE car in the left turn lane from Twin Hickory east bound is able to make it through the intersection per light cycle since the driveway is backed up. If you go 200 yards west on Twin Hickory Rd to the only other access point into the student lot, you will find people making rapid left hand turns out of the lot into traffic because it is an uncontrolled intersection, and traffic coming from the west (students trying to get into the lot) is backed up through the intersection at Shady Grove because the lot entrance is bottlenecked. It is irresponsible for HCPS to continue to ignore this very real safety issue. For YEARS people have asked this question and have been told HCPS is working on a solution - but nothing changes. There is unused space on the grounds to make another lot so that kids can park at school rather than be dropped off. Engineer an entrance to the lot via the bus loop - something that relieves the log jam on Twin Hickory. Visit Glen Allen High School and you will see hundreds of parking spots, and access points on adjacent roads.. Visit Freeman, hundreds of spots - and access points not on a busy street. Godwin, parking. Tucker, parking. Highland springs, parking. It is time you address this very real safety risk.</p>
Mar. 3, 22 -- 7:49: PM	Brittany	Harris	Fairfield District - Roscoe D. Cooper, III	<p>How will Gov. Youngkin's plan of implementing 30 charter schools to Virginia, positively or negatively impact students of color?</p>

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Mar. 8, 22 -- 4:43: PM	Elizabeth	Thurman	Three Chopt District - Michelle F. Ogburn	In addition to the written calendar, the HCPS website should have an iCal/.ics calendar link available so that parents can download school closure dates and early dismissals in a single click. I see that there is one automatic calendar available on your website, but it has almost 2000 items. Most people do not need that level of detail, but a simple link that auto-updates the schedule would make things much easier. It hasn't happened to me yet, but I know several involved, intelligent parents who have shown up at school to drop off their kids on a teacher workday, or even accidentally kept their kids home on a holiday. This would be a simple fix.