

Mission Statement

The Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) operates a countywide system of public schools for students from pre-kindergarten through high school. For the 2015-16 school year (FY16), 156,447 students in pre-kindergarten classes through grade 12 attend 202 separate public educational facilities. For the 2016-17 school year (FY17), enrollment is estimated at 159,016 students.

Budget Overview

The County Executive's role in the MCPS budget process is to present to the County Council a recommended total budget. The total recommended FY17 Operating Budget is \$2,454.3 million, an increase of \$135.9 million or 5.9 percent over the original FY16 approved budget of \$2,318.4 million and this recommended budget exceeds the State's Maintenance of Effort law by \$89.3 million.

The Board of Education's (BOE) Operating Budget request for FY17 totaled \$2,498.6 million. The County Executive's recommendation would fund 98.2 percent of the Board of Education's (BOE) request. In addition, \$27.2 million will be provided by the County from the Consolidated Retiree Health Benefits Trust for the purpose of paying retiree health claims in FY17. This continued support was assumed in the BOE's request.

The County also supports the operations of the school system through the expenditures of other departments. For example, school health services, childhood wellness, and Linkages to Learning programs are provided by the Department of Health and Human Services; research and internet resources are made available in the Montgomery County Public Libraries; crossing guards are provided by the Department of Police; sports academies for youth are sponsored by the Department of Recreation; reimbursements for classrooms and school sports fields rented by residents are made by Community Use of Public Facilities; and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission provides maintenance of MCPS ballfields. In addition to the total recommended Operating Budget for the public schools, this agency's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) requires County funding the Additional Capital Park and Planning Commission and Schools are provided by the Department of Recreation; reimbursements for classrooms and school sports fields rented by residents are made by Community Use of Public Facilities; and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission provides maintenance of MCPS ballfields. In addition to the total recommended Operating Budget for the public schools, this agency's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) requires County funding the Additional Capital Park and Planning Commission and School Additional Capital Park and Planning Commission and School Park and Planning Commission provides maintenance of MCPS ballfields.

are recommended in the FY17-22 CIP. The debt service requirement for the MCPS capital program is estimated at \$150.2 million in FY17.

The table below summarizes the contributions to MCPS programs that are appropriated in other departments or agencies.

Additional County Support for MCPS FY17					
MCPS Budget (in millions)	\$2,311.6				
Additional County funding (not included in MCPS budget)				
 Debt service on school construction bonds 	\$150.2				
 Pre-funding retiree health benefits 	\$63.1				
Support services	\$65.5				
Technology modernization	\$21.4				
Total additional County funding	\$300.2				
Total expenditures for MCPS	\$2,611.8				

Sources: Recommended FY17 Operating and Capital Budgets

The recommended budget includes the County's contribution of \$1,617.6 million (including State teacher pension funds rolled into Maintenance of Effort for FY17) plus \$33.2 million in carryover funds (67.3 percent of all recommended funding), State aid and grants of \$657.4 million (26.8 percent), Federal grants and aid of \$71.7 million (2.9 percent), and tuition, fees, and private grants of \$10.6 million (0.4 percent). The recommended appropriation for the fee supported enterprise funds is \$62.0 million (2.5 percent) and for the special revenue fund is \$1.7 million (0.1 percent).

Tax Supported Funding for the Public Schools

For FY17, the total tax supported portion of the Executive's recommendation (excluding grants and enterprise funds) is \$2,311.6 million, an increase of \$135.1 million or 6.2 percent over the original FY16 approved Operating Budget. The tax supported portion of the recommendation includes a FY17 local contribution of \$1,617.6 million, plus carryover of \$33.2 million for a total local contribution of \$1,650.8 million. For FY17, State teacher pensions are included within the Maintenance of Effort calculation. The Executive's recommendation for local funding exceeds the State Maintenance of Effort (MOE) requirement by \$89.3 million, and is a total increase of \$110 million from the FY16 local contribution.

Fiscal Summary

The Executive's total budget recommendation from all funding sources is \$2,454.3 million and funds 98.2 percent of the BOE's request. The Executive relies on the BOE to determine the most appropriate manner to deliver educational services within its recommended budget allocation.

Spending Affordability

In February 2016, the Montgomery County Council approved FY17 Spending Affordability Guidelines (SAG) of \$2,225.0 million for the tax supported funds of MCPS. The BOE requested \$2,355.9 million in tax supported funds.

Additional Budget Details

The Executive affirms the authority of the BOE to establish educational policy and to determine the allocation of appropriated funds in support of the mission of the public school system. Complete information regarding the MCPS budget request is available in the FY17 Operating Budget adopted by the BOE on February 9, 2016. Copies of that budget are available at Montgomery County libraries, on the MCPS website and, upon request, from the school system.

Linkage to County Result Areas

While this program area supports all eight of the County Result Areas, the following is emphasized:



Children Prepared to Live and Learn

Program Contacts

Contact Thomas Klausing of the Montgomery County Public Schools at 301.279.3547 or Jedediah Millard of the Office of Management and Budget at 240.777.2769 for more information regarding this agency's operating budget.

Budget Summary

	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Estimate FY16	REC FY17	%Chg Bud/Rec
CURRENT FUND MCPS					
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and Wages	0	0	0	0	
Employee Benefits	0	0	0	0	
Current Fund MCPS Personnel Costs	0	0	0	0	
Operating Expenses	2,140,808,408	2,176,525,543	2,145,795,185	2,311,578,220	6.2 %
Current Fund MCPS Expenditures	2,140,808,408	2,176,525,543	2,145,795,185	2,311,578,220	6.2 %
PERSONNEL					
Full-Time	0	0	0	0	
Part-Time	0	0	0	0	
FTEs	20,391.94	20,602.50	20,602.50	21,059.52	2.2 %
REVENUES					
Basic State Aid	310,456,913	322,176,176	322,176,176	325,526,802	1.0 %
Federal Revenues	258,780	200,000	100,000	150,000	-25.0 %
Foster Care/Miscellaneous	171,860	400,000	400,000	170,000	-57.5 %
GCEI - Geographic Cost of Education Index	34,394,095	17,744,167	17,744,167	35,976,870	102.8 %
Students With Disabilities	52,899,267	54,303,397	52,873,397	54,890,319	1.1 %
Thornton Legislation	184,215,753	197,015,246	197,015,246	199,296,312	1.2 %

	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Estimate FY16	REC FY17	%Chg Bud/Rec
Transportation	38,090,967	39,786,572	39,786,572	40,933,087	2.9 %
Tuition-Other Sources	4,110,380	4,105,755	4,105,755	3,840,600	-6.5 %
Current Fund MCPS Revenues	624,598,015	635,731,313	634,201,313	660,783,990	3.9 %
GRANT FUND MCPS					
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and Wages	0	0	0	0	
Employee Benefits	0	0	0	0	
Grant Fund MCPS Personnel Costs	0	0	0	0	
Operating Expenses	78,551,825	79,092,560	79,092,560	78,963,887	-0.2 %
Grant Fund MCPS Expenditures	78,551,825	79,092,560	79,092,560	78,963,887	-0.2 %
PERSONNEL	-,,-	-,,	-,,	-,,	
Full-Time	0	0	0	0	
Part-Time	0	0	0	0	
FTEs	564.90	624.05	624.05	559.79	-10.3 %
REVENUES					
Federal Grants	71,503,473	71,717,356	71,717,356	71,588,683	-0.2 %
Private Grants	6,225,301	6,731,204	6,731,204	6,731,204	-0.2 /0
State Grants	823,051	644,000	644,000	644,000	
Grant Fund MCPS Revenues	78,551,825	79,092,560	79,092,560	78,963,887	-0.2 %
FOOD SERVICE FUND					
EXPENDITURES		•		•	
Salaries and Wages	0	0	0	0	
Employee Benefits	0	0 0	0 0	0	
Food Service Fund Personnel Costs Operating Expenses	0 54,353,613	53,166,879	53,166,879	0 53,967,269	1.5 %
Food Service Fund Expenditures	54,353,613	53,166,879	53,166,879	53,967,269	1.5 %
PERSONNEL	0.,000,010	00,100,010	00,100,010	00,001,=00	110 70
Full-Time	0	0	0	0	
Part-Time	0	0	0	0	
FTEs	585.45	585.45	585.45	588.32	0.5 %
REVENUES					
Federal Food	33,916,280	29,207,955	29,207,955	34,400,008	17.8 %
Sale of Meals	19,006,692	21,699,064	21,699,064	17,262,204	-20.4 %
State Food	2,081,616	2,259,860	2,259,860	2,305,057	2.0 %
Food Service Fund Revenues	55,004,588	53,166,879	53,166,879	53,967,269	1.5 %
REAL ESTATE FUND					
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and Wages	0	0	0	0	
Employee Benefits	0	0	0	0	
Real Estate Fund Personnel Costs	0	0	0	0	
Operating Expenses	3,385,485	3,257,703	3,257,703	3,686,191	13.2 %
Real Estate Fund Expenditures	3,385,485	3,257,703	3,257,703	3,686,191	13.2 %
PERSONNEL					
Full-Time	0	0	0	0	
Part-Time	0	0	0	0	
FTEs	7.00	7.00	7.00	11.50	64.3 %
REVENUES					
Real Estate Fund	3,277,410	3,257,703	3,257,703	3,686,191	13.2 %
Real Estate Fund Revenues	3,277,410	3,257,703	3,257,703	3,686,191	13.2 %
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FIELD TRIP FUND

EXPENDITURES

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	Actual FY15	Budget FY16	Estimate FY16	REC FY17	%Chg Bud/Rec
Salaries and Wages	0	0	0	0	
Employee Benefits	0	0	0	0	
Field Trip Fund Personnel Costs	0	0	0	0	
Operating Expenses	1,895,960	1,991,533	1,991,533	2,006,361	0.7 %
Field Trip Fund Expenditures	1,895,960	1,991,533	1,991,533	2,006,361	0.7 %
PERSONNEL					
Full-Time	0	0	0	0	
Part-Time	0	0	0	0	
FTEs	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	
REVENUES					
Field Trip Fees	2,003,127	1,991,533	1,991,533	2,006,361	0.7 %
Field Trip Fund Revenues	2,003,127	1,991,533	1,991,533	2,006,361	0.7 %
ENTREPRENEURIAL ACTIVITIES FUND					
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and Wages	0	0	0	0	
Employee Benefits	0	0	0	0	
Entrepreneurial Activities Fund Personnel Costs	0	0	0	0	
Operating Expenses	2,466,024	2,700,509	2,700,509	2,364,802	-12.4 %
Entrepreneurial Activities Fund Expenditures	2,466,024	2,700,509	2,700,509	2,364,802	-12.4 %
PERSONNEL					
Full-Time	0	0	0	0	
Part-Time	0	0	0	0	
FTEs	12.60	13.60	13.60	11.60	-14.7 %
REVENUES					
Entrepreneurial Activities Fee	2,205,227	2,700,509	2,700,509	2,364,802	-12.4 %
Entrepreneurial Activities Fund Revenues	2,205,227	2,700,509	2,700,509	2,364,802	-12.4 %
INSTRUCTIONAL TELEVISION FUND					
EXPENDITURES					
Salaries and Wages	0	0	0	0	
Employee Benefits	0	0	0	0	
Instructional Television Fund Personnel Costs	0	0	0	0	
Operating Expenses	1,634,934	1,654,209	1,654,209	1,742,791	5.4 %
Instructional Television Fund Expenditures	1,634,934	1,654,209	1,654,209	1,742,791	5.4 %
PERSONNEL					
Full-Time	0	0	0	0	
Part-Time	0	0	0	0	
FTEs	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	
REVENUES					
DEPARTMENT TOTALS					
Total Expenditures	2,283,096,249	2,318,388,936	2,287,658,578	2,454,309,521	5.9 %
Total Full-Time Positions	0	0	0	0	
Total Part-Time Positions	0	0	0	0	
Total FTEs	21,579.89	21,850.60	21,850.60	22,248.73	1.8 %
Total Revenues	765,640,192	775,940,497	774,410,497	801,772,500	3.3 %

	MCPS EXPENDITURES FY80-FY17						
County Fiscal Year	T	Total Enrollment	Per Pupil	County Funding	As Percent of Total		
80	\$283,964,983	102,519	\$2,770	\$217,458,068	76.6%		
81	\$310,301,970	98,843	\$3,139	\$243,994,370	78.6%		
82	\$331,546,219	95,587	\$3,469	\$267,891,955	80.8%		
83	\$351,939,986	92,517	\$3,804	\$286,965,658	81.5%		
84	\$371,322,717	91,030	\$4,079	\$303,726,901	81.8%		
85	\$399,916,181	91,704	\$4,361	\$330,035,065	82.5%		
86	\$436,875,791	92,871	\$4,704	\$361,788,973	82.8%		
87	\$475,866,930	94,460	\$5,038	\$398,053,264	83.6%		
88	\$519,622,140	96,271	\$5,397	\$434,582,576	83.6%		
89	\$577,957,669	98,519	\$5,866	\$488,062,505	84.4%		
90	\$642,553,932	100,259	\$6,409	\$545,768,528	84.9%		
91	\$702,260,084	103,732	\$6,770	\$601,407,797	85.6%		
92	\$712,896,646	107,140	\$6,654	\$603,939,300	84.7%		
93	\$738,767,864	110,037	\$6,714	\$622,732,456	84.3%		
94*	\$793,907,907	113,429	\$6,999	\$666,557,884	84.0%		
95	\$830,010,147	117,082	\$7,089	\$695,512,609	83.8%		
96	\$878,160,420	120,291	\$7,300	\$718,938,647	81.9%		
97	\$915,141,097	122,505	\$7,470	\$740,984,871	81.0%		
98	\$958,416,196	125,035	\$7,665	\$765,835,476	79.9%		
99	\$1,034,768,530	127,852	\$8,093	\$820,833,423	79.3%		
00	\$1,105,644,145	130,689	\$8,460	\$870,940,869	78.8%		
01	\$1,216,096,599	134,180	\$9,063	\$959,754,838	78.9%		
02	\$1,323,625,477	136,832	\$9,673	\$1,029,703,651	77.8%		
03	\$1,412,161,822	138,891	\$10,167	\$1,079,188,698	76.4%		
04	\$1,501,381,116	139,203	\$10,786	\$1,136,392,169	75.7%		
05	\$1,609,382,533	139,337	\$11,550	\$1,217,214,553	75.6%		
06	\$1,713,736,154	139,387	\$12,295	\$1,296,325,112	75.6%		
07	\$1,851,496,287	137,798	\$13,436	\$1,384,725,787	74.8%		
08	\$1,985,017,619	137,745	\$14,411	\$1,456,912,582	73.4%		
09	\$2,066,683,294	137,763	\$15,002	\$1,531,482,602	74.1%		
10	\$2,200,577,000	140,500	\$15,662	\$1,573,754,447	71.5%		
11	\$2,104,188,040	143,309	\$14,683	\$1,425,385,344	67.7%		
12	\$2,086,786,613	146,497	\$14,245	\$1,387,101,480	66.5%		
13	\$2,160,029,595	149,018	\$14,495	\$1,436,513,701	66.5%		
14	\$2,225,421,052	151,289	\$14,710	\$1,475,223,045	66.3%		
15	\$2,276,763,984	153,852	\$14,798	\$1,515,027,760	66.5%		
16	\$2,318,388,936	156,447	\$14,819	\$1,540,794,230	66.5%		
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Sources: Approved Operating Budgets

Notes:

Per pupil spending represents all sources of funds

In addition to MCPS appropriations, the following County departments also support MCPS programs:

- -School Health Nurses and Health Room Technicians (Health and Human Services)
- -Childhood Wellness (Health and Human Services)
- -Linkages to Learning (Health and Human Services)
- -Research and Internet Resources (Public Libraries)
- -Sports Academies (Recreation)
- -Crossing Guards (Police)
- -Reimbursements for Rented Classrooms and Sports Fields (Community Use of Public Facilities)
- -Stormwater Facility Maintenance (Environmental Protection)
- -Capital Improvements Program (CIP) Current Revenue
- -Debt Service on School Facilities

^{*} State legislative action shifted responsibility for teacher Social Security payments to local jurisdictions in FY94.

