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Fiscal 2017 Superintendent's Recommended Budget

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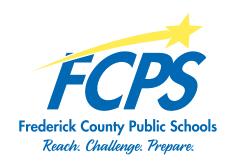
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Budget-at-a-Glance

Operating Budget Highlights

The Superintendent's recommended fiscal year 2017 operating budget totals \$567,954,137. It reflects an increase of \$23,423,721 or 4.3% over the fiscal year 2016 operating budget. This budget was created with the intent to align with the Board of Education's strategic plan, as outlined on page 3.

The Superintendent's recommended budget includes expenditures that the Superintendent believes are needed to continue to provide quality educational services to the children of Frederick County for fiscal year 2017. It reflects the feedback obtained from engaging individuals from all sectors with a stake in public education. The recommended budget has \$24.2 million more in expenditures than revenues.

Should one-time funding be available from the County, the Superintendent hopes consideration will be given to a one-time non-recurring transfer of \$2.8 million for upgrading of our entire Wide Area Network (WAN) infrastructure and upgrading of the PeopleSoft Financial System. The WAN upgrade estimated at \$1.3 million includes replacement of existing equipment which is approaching ten years of service and will soon be marked as end of life/support (EOL) by the manufacturer. The PeopleSoft Financial Upgrade will update the critical financial system to a modern platform and current systemic support from the software company.

The Superintendent will continue to work with the Board of Education over the next several months to balance the budget request as revenues are more firmly established and expenditure requests are vetted.

Revenue Highlights

The county allocation of \$247.3 million represents the Maintenance of Effort level of funding required under state law. This includes a decrease of \$1.6 million due to a decrease in general student enrollment and \$1.2 million decrease associated with the sale of surplus properties.

The state revenue estimate is \$3.4 million more than the fiscal year 2016 state revenue. This estimated increase is based on anticipated increases in the Geographic Cost of Education Index (GCEI) and increase in reimbursements for non-public placements. The estimated decrease in foundation funding associated with decreased enrollment and increase in overall county wealth is estimated to be offset by a small inflationary increase in

the foundation formula and increases in identified subenrollment categories.

Other sources of funding are estimated at \$1.4 million less due to lower use of fund balance projected for fiscal year 2017.

Expenditure Highlights

Reversals and Adjustments: There is \$1.2 million less in reversals and adjustments due to the reversal of the budget for the sale of surplus properties. This sale occurred in fiscal year 2016 and no budget is needed in fiscal year 2017.

Continuation of Programs and Services (including mandated items): The \$7.5 million increase in this area includes funding needed to fully budget for the FY2016 delayed increment given to all employees; health and dental insurance increases due to inflation; new retirees and temporary employees transitioning to permanent positions; teacher retirement contribution increases; non-public placement increases and other miscellaneous increases. These increases are mitigated by savings due to employee turnover, support employee retirement contribution decrease and other minor decreases. Complete details of the adjustments in this category can be found on page 10 of this document.

Enrollment: This category includes three main changes: decrease in staffing related to a projected decrease in overall enrollment, increase in staffing associated with projected increase in identified English Language Learner (ELL) enrollment and the reinstatement of .25 student to the base class size formula for teachers. These changes equate to an increase in full-time equivalent positions of 14.72 positions at a cost of \$.9 million.

Salary Staffing Resource Pool: This increase includes a resource pool that is subject to negotiations. This funding could be used for salary increases and/or staffing to meet systemic needs and the system's strategic goals.

New Requests: There is \$2.4 million in new requests for fiscal year 2017. The largest increases are for buses (3 more buses than FY2016 and an adjustment for inflationary increase to the prices of the buses); technology refresh increase; increases to contracted services related to maintenance department projects; increase in capacity cost for electricity and increase in maintenance supplies.

Budget-at-a-Glance

Enrollment Trends

Different enrollment figures are used for different portions of the budget each year. Adjusted actual September 30 enrollments are used for revenue calculations for both state and local (county) funding. Adjusted enrollment was 39,390.25 students for the FY2017 calculations, 264.25 less than the 39,654.50 adjusted enrollment reported for FY2016. The difference of 101 was attributable to a reporting error identified and was reconciled this year. The remaining difference is attributable to lower general enrollment, higher prekindergarten enrollment and increase in miscellaneous adjustments as defined by the Maryland State Department of Education.

Specific sub-categories of enrollment are also used for portions of the state funding formula. These sub-category enrollments are based on adjusted actual enrollments as of September 30 each year. Students receiving free and reduced-priced meals (FARM), students identified as ELL and special education students increased by 41, 122, and 95 students respectively from September 30, 2014 to September 30, 2015. The number of special education students, receiving special education transportation, decreased by 20 students.

Projected enrollments are used for planning and budgeting for staffing in the upcoming fiscal year. Fiscal year 2016 projected general enrollment was 40,869 and projected general enrollment for fiscal year 2017 is 40,819, a decrease of 50 students. Projected ELL students for FY2017 are 2,450 students, an increase of 301 students over the fiscal year 2016 projections. These projected enrollment figures are used to calculate the adjusted positions as noted previously in the enrollment portion of expenditure highlights.

Factors Influencing the Budget

- Student enrollment
- · Staffing ratios for elementary, middle and high schools
- Formula-based allocations for schools, including materials of instruction
- Prekindergarten enrollment with no state or county funding
- · Federal and state mandates
- · Charter school allocations
- Costs of salary adjustments that result from contract negotiations
- Cost of employee benefits that result from contract negotiations
- Increased number of homeless students and their related transportation costs
- Increase in complexity and severity of special education services
- Continued increase in English Language Learners students
- · Post-employment benefits funding
- Continued demand for building maintenance projects
- Changing technology and desire to equitably distribute technology
- Shift of pension costs from the state to local governments
- Continued increases in programs and contracted services
- · Uncertain state revenue allocations
- Utility costs

FCPS Overview

The Frederick County Public Schools system (FCPS) is among the nation's highest performing school districts. With Maryland ranked #1 in education according to *Education Week's* 2009-2013 *Quality Counts* reports, FCPS is a leader in a state leading the nation. FCPS students' SAT and Advanced Placement results continue to outperform Maryland and national averages.

The FCPS instructional program has served students well. It promotes developing the whole child, inspiring creative thinking, innovation, perseverance and lifelong learning. FCPS graduates go on to top colleges and universities and are known for their achievements in many fields.

To ensure that FCPS retains its high level of achievement during this period of change and into the future, the BOE has adopted a long-term strategic plan.

FCPS Long-term Strategic Plan

These five aspirational goals and correlating priorities reflect the core vision for our schools and students.

1. Student achievement

FCPS will equip each and every student to be an empowered learner and an engaged citizen to achieve a positive impact in the local and global community.

- FCPS will provide each and every student high quality instruction that fosters inquiry, creative thinking, complex problem solving, and collaboration.
- FCPS will raise achievement for all students and eliminate achievement gaps.

2. Effective and engaged staff

FCPS will hire, support, and retain staff who champion individual, professional, and student excellence.

- FCPS will implement strategies to ensure a high quality and diverse workforce.
- FCPS will support all staff by providing ongoing opportunities to grow as professionals throughout their career.

3. Resource allocation

FCPS will pursue and utilize all resources strategically and responsibly to achieve identified outcomes and inspire public confidence.

- FCPS will provide equitable distribution of all resources based on the varied needs of students and schools.
- FCPS will promote clear communication and transparency in allocation of resources.

4. Family and Community Involvement

FCPS will nurture relationships with families and the entire community, sharing responsibility for student success and demonstrating pride in all aspects of our school system.

- FCPS will encourage and sustain collaborations with families and the entire community to support student success.
- FCPS will equip staff with the knowledge and tools necessary to be positive ambassadors who build support for our goals and initiatives.

5. Health and Safety

FCPS will promote a culture fostering wellness and civility for students and staff.

- FCPS will promote and maintain a safe and respectful environment.
- FCPS will foster personal well-being and health among students and staff through increased awareness and engagement on these topics.

Executive Director

Organizational Chart

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Fiscal Year 2017 Estimated Operating Revenues

In this recommended budget 94.8% of the school system's revenues are from our state and county governments.

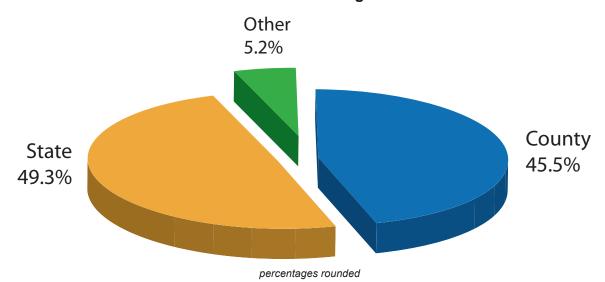
The county allocation of \$247.3 million represents Maintenance of Effort level funding as required by state law (based on a decrease of students). It also represents the shift of teachers' pension costs, a reduction of \$1.2 million transfer associated with the sale of two surplus school properties, and in-kind services. In-kind services include school resource officers, school health room staff, developmental center services, school crossing guards and other services that the county government provides.

The estimated Maryland State Aid of \$268.0 million is 3.4 million more than fiscal year 2016. Estimated state funding includes recovery of half of the Geographic Cost of Education Index funding which was lost in

FY2016 (\$3.3 million) as well as increase in funding for non-public placements due to the increase in the corresponding expenditures for non-public placements. At this time, estimated decreases due to general enrollment and increases in wealth of the County are projected to be offset by increases in Net Taxable Income, statewide inflationary factor in the foundation formula and increases in sub enrollment categories such as FARM and ELL students.

Other sources of revenue include sports-participation fees, interest, building-use fees, out-of-county student tuition, energy and procurement rebates, and use of fund balance. The \$1.4 million reduction in other revenue sources is the net reduction of use of non-recurring fund balance.

Revenues - How the budget is funded



Changes in Funding

	Fiscal 2016 Approved	Superintendent's Recommended Fiscal 2017 Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
County	250.1	247.3	(2.8)	(1.1%)
State	264.6	268.0	3.4	1.3%
Other	29.8	28.4	(1.4)	(4.7%)
Total	544.5	543.7	(0.8)	(0.1%)

Dollars in millions (rounded)

Fiscal Year 2017 Operating Expenditures

The fiscal year 2017 Superintendent's Recommended Budget totals \$568.0 million, an increase of \$23.4 million or 4.3% compared to the fiscal year 2016 budget. This increase in expenditures is attributable to employee health benefits, teacher retirement contributions, increase to technology refresh cycle, funding needed to fully budget for delayed increment given in FY2016, non-public placements, new buses, staffing cost associated with ELL and .25 restoration of class size, and a proposed salary and staffing resource pool. These increases are partially offset by savings from staffing associated with decreased enrollment, support employee retirement contribution and salary savings due to staff turnover.

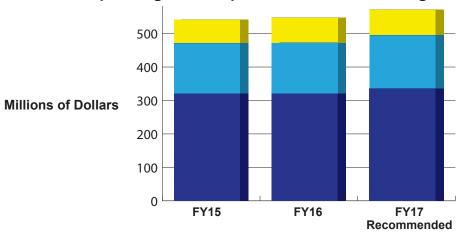
How the Budget Is Spent

The majority of the operating budget, 86.7%, goes to pay salaries and benefits to school system employees. Total compensation and benefit expenditures account for over \$492.7 million. Included in the benefits for employees is \$1.0 million budgeted for contributions to the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) trust fund, which sets aside funds for future payments of retirement benefits.

The remaining 13.3%, or \$75.3 million, of the operating budget is spent on non-compensation and benefit costs. The major expenditures in these areas are:

- Utilities
- Transportation services, including bus purchases, repairs and fuel
- Instructional supplies and materials for schools
- Maintenance costs for buildings, contracted supplies and equipment
- · Technology services and computers
- Tuition for special education students attending nonpublic schools

Operating Fund Expenditures FY2015 through FY2017



	FY 2015 Approved	FY 2016 Approved	FY 2017 Superintendent Recommended
Non-Personnel Expenditures	70.0	74.2	75.3
Benefits	149.7	151.6	159.3
Salaries	319.8	318.7	333.4
Total	539.5	544.5	568.0

Dollars in millions (rounded)

The Maryland State Department of Education has standardized the various categories of expenditures for the 24 school systems in Maryland. The 15 expenditure categories found in the FCPS operating budget are:

Administration – activities associated with the general regulation, direction and control of the school system. Administrative divisions affect the school system as a whole and are not confined to a single school building.

Mid-Level Management – administration and supervision of district-wide and school-level instructional programs and activities.

Instructional Salaries – regular and supplemental pay for staff whose responsibilities include interaction with students in the delivery of instructional programs and related student instructional support services.

Instructional Supplies – supplies and materials used in support of instruction.

Instructional Other – all other non-salary expenditures for instruction not classified as supplies and materials.

Special Education – activities designed for students who, through appropriate assessment, have been determined to have temporary or long-term special education needs. Only direct special education-related expenditures are charged to this category.

Pupil Personnel – activities designed to improve student attendance at school and prevent or solve student problems in the home, school, and community. Salaries for pupil personnel workers, social workers, and others are included in this category.

Health Services – activities associated with student physical and mental health that are not instructional in nature.

Transportation – activities directed at providing transportation for students between home, school, and school activities. This category includes regular route, homeless, athletic and special education transportation.

Operations – activities related to the upkeep of the physical plant to ensure that buildings are open for use, comfortable, and safe for students, staff, and the community.

Maintenance – activities concerned with keeping the grounds, buildings and fixed equipment in their original condition of completeness or efficiency through repair, scheduled and preventive maintenance, or replacement of property.

Fixed Charges – general recurrent expenditures that are not readily allocable to other expenditure categories. This category includes the fringe benefits related to employees, liability insurance and debt-related expenses.

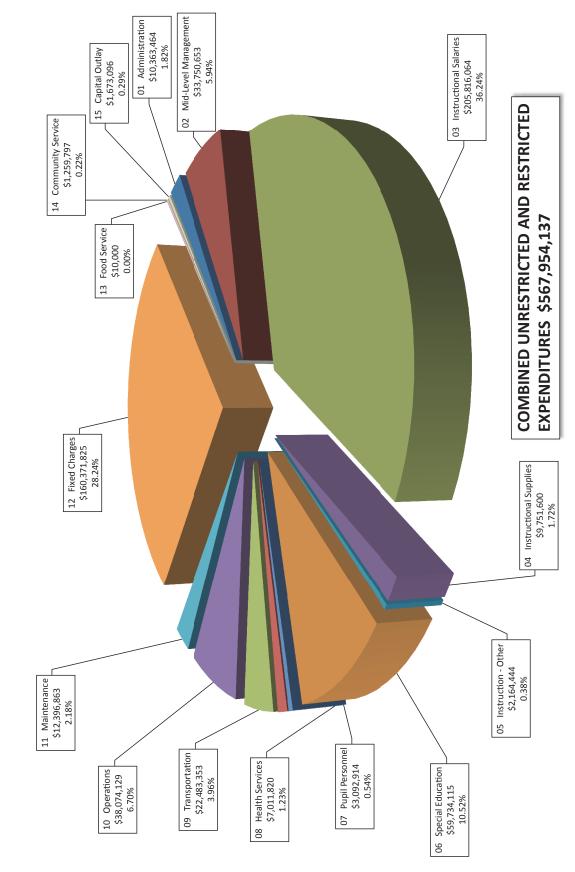
Food Service – activities concerned with providing food to students and staff. FCPS reports most of the Food and Nutrition Services activities as a separate special revenue fund, but the activity in the operating budget is related to a restricted grant.

Community Services – activities provided by FCPS for the community other than for public school activities. This category is offset by revenues from the community organizations using the facilities.

Capital Outlay – activities concerned with the cost of directing and managing the acquisition, construction, and renovations of land, buildings, and fixed equipment.

The next chart illustrates the percent of each expenditure category in the Superintendent's Recommended Budget:

Frederick County Public Schools FY2017 Recommended Operating Budget



Expenditures by Category

Financial Information

Categories	Fiscal 2016 Approved	Fiscal 2017 Superintendent Recommended	Dollar Change	Percent Change
Administration	9,789,948	10,363,464	573,516	5.9%
Mid-Level Management	32,275,537	33,750,653	1,475,116	4.6%
Instructional Salaries	197,690,955	205,816,064	8,125,109	4.1%
Instructional Supplies	9,134,429	9,751,600	617,171	6.8%
Instructional Other	2,023,088	2,164,444	141,356	7.0%
Special Education	57,344,930	59,734,115	2,389,185	4.2%
Pupil Personnel	2,873,758	3,092,914	219,156	7.6%
Health Services	6,966,947	7,011,820	44,873	0.6%
Transportation	21,046,241	22,483,353	1,437,112	6.8%
Operations	36,266,558	38,074,129	1,807,571	5.0%
Maintenance	11,722,814	12,396,863	674,049	5.7%
Fixed Charges	154,506,906	160,371,825	5,864,919	3.8%
Food Service	10,000	10,000	0	0.0%
Community Service	1,238,425	1,259,797	21,372	1.7%
Capital Outlay	1,639,880	1,673,096	33,216	2.0%
Total	544,530,416	567,954,137	23,423,721	4.3%

Expense Types	Fiscal 2016 Approved	Fiscal 2017 Superintendent Recommended	Dollar Change	Percent Change
Salaries and Wages	318,708,665	333,422,132	14,713,467	4.6%
Contracted Services	23,423,726	24,019,671	595,945	2.5%
Supplies and Materials	18,683,179	19,429,225	746,046	4.0%
Other Charges	179,125,956	185,774,226	6,648,270	3.7%
Equipment	3,125,026	3,626,638	501,612	16.1%
Transfer	1,463,864	1,682,245	218,381	14.9%
Total	544,530,416	567,954,137	23,423,721	4.3%

Changes in Expenditures

The information below provides a summary of the changes in expenditures by type: reversals and adjustments; continuation of programs and services; enrollment; mandated items; salary and staffing resource pool; and new requests. The amounts listed for staffing changes include salary and benefit costs.

FTE = Full Time Equivalent

Description: Reversals & Adjustments	FTE Position	FY 2017 Recommended Changes
Sale of Surplus Properties		(1,200,000)
Sub Total Reversals & Adjustments	-	\$(1,200,000)

Description: Continuation of Programs & Services (Including Mandated Items)	FTE Position	FY 2017 Recommended Changes
Increased Budget Needed for FY2016 Delayed Increment		3,292,690
Health & Dental Insurance (Subject to Negotiation)		2,612,016
Teacher Retirement (Normal Cost Increase)		1,125,303
Health & Dental Insurance (New Retirees and Transitioning Employees)		957,543
NonPublic Placements		365,657
Workers Compensation and Life Insurance		271,000
Charter School Allocation		267,153
Dual Enrollment Tuition		112,356
Summer School Restoration		204,863
School Based Foundation Contingency		50,000
Consolidated Warehouse Savings		(1,242)
County In-Kind Services		(20,370)
Lease Payment		(45,000)
Support Employee Retirement Contribution		(200,000)
Salary Savings		(1,500,000)
Sub Total Continuation of Programs & Services	-	\$7,491,969

Changes in Expenditures (continued)

Description: Enrollment	FTE Position	FY 2017 Recommended Changes
Enrollment Change (Elementary Formula)	(6.50)	(394,105)
Enrollment Change (Middle Formula)		0
Enrollment Change (High Formula)	(3.00)	(179,460)
Enrollment Change (School Admin & Support)	(5.50)	(351,685)
Enrollment Change (Special Education Formula)	(0.18)	(10,768)
Enrollment Change (Language/Learning Support Program)		0
Enrollment Change (English Language Learner Program)	10.00	628,200
Enrollment Change (School-Based Foundation)		(7,829)
Restoration of Class Size by .25 Student	19.90	1,256,018
Sub Total Enrollment	14.72	\$940,371

Description: Salary and Staffing	FTE Position	FY 2017 Recommended Changes
Salary / Staffing Resource Pool (Subject to Negotiations)		13,783,389
Sub Total Salary and Staffing	-	\$13,783,389

Changes in Expenditures (continued)

Description: New Requests (Non-Position)	FTE Position	FY 2017 Recommended Changes
3 Replacement Buses & Price Increase for 27 Buses		501,612
Technology Refresh		500,000
Contracted Services – Maintenance		450,000
Electric Capacity Cost Surcharge		350,000
Maintenance Supplies		100,000
National Board Certification Program		77,275
Custodial Overtime		55,000
Change Management Software (PeopleSoft)		50,000
Financial Statement Software		40,000
Teacher & Support Staff Recruiting Costs		40,000
International Baccalaureate Program at FHS		40,000
High Speed Storage		37,000
eSchool PLUS Mobile		36,000
Dual Enrollment Textbooks		35,000
Yearly AED Maintenance		20,475
Sports Officials		20,000
Security and Traffic Control Services for Graduation Ceremonies		16,515
OPEB Administrative Costs		14,000
Athletic Trainers Fees		9,000
CASS Expenses		8,400
Human Resources Maintenance Contracts		5,315
Diesel Plug-ins Stipends		2,400
Sub Total New Requests	-	\$2,407,992

Enrollment

Elementary School Enrollment	Fiscal 2014 Actual	Fiscal 2015 Actual	Fiscal 2016 Actual	Fiscal 2017 Projected
Ballenger Creek Elementary	656	667	656	664
Brunswick Elementary	619	637	659	651
Carroll Creek Montessori (See Note 2)	187	208	218	228
Carroll Manor Elementary	572	573	566	552
Centerville Elementary	947	993	997	1,024
Deer Crossing Elementary	678	719	744	761
Emmitsburg Elementary	305	300	278	282
Frederick Classical Charter (See Note 2)	237	240	240	240
Glade Elementary	618	634	638	637
Green Valley Elementary	383	383	365	360
Hillcrest Elementary	953	990	1,010	1,030
Kemptown Elementary	382	358	358	368
Lewistown Elementary	196	178	177	161
Liberty Elementary	291	294	283	280
Lincoln Elementary	529	537	572	596
Middletown Elementary (See Note 1)	462	445	423	424
Middletown Primary (See Note 1)	410	437	443	442
Monocacy Elementary	596	592	591	576
Monocacy Valley Montessori (See Note 2)	222	219	223	215
Myersville Elementary	354	358	315	302
New Market Elementary	736	705	699	706
New Midway/Woodsboro Elementary	334	328	335	321
North Frederick Elementary	598	585	631	665
Oakdale Elementary	623	594	599	580

Elementary School Enrollment	Fiscal 2014 Actual	Fiscal 2015 Actual	Fiscal 2016 Actual	Fiscal 2017 Projected
Orchard Grove Elementary	616	611	630	646
Parkway Elementary	228	226	223	231
Sabillasville Elementary	114	114	112	104
Spring Ridge Elementary	481	457	465	462
Thurmont Elementary (See Note 1)	319	302	332	313
Thurmont Primary (See Note 1)	373	381	373	377
Tuscarora Elementary	794	784	774	741
Twin Ridge Elementary	510	513	529	497
Urbana Elementary	727	695	700	677
Valley Elementary	409	395	408	397
Walkersville Elementary	681	678	681	668
Waverley Elementary	567	618	610	642
Whittier Elementary	793	783	745	739
Wolfsville Elementary	180	175	159	161
Yellow Springs Elementary	486	468	495	492
Total Elementary School Students	19,166	19,174	19,256	19,212

Middle School Enrollment	Fiscal 2014 Actual	Fiscal 2015 Actual	Fiscal 2016 Actual	Fiscal 2017 Projected
Ballenger Creek Middle	698	726	718	731
Brunswick Middle	564	553	557	596
Carroll Creek Montessori (See Note 2)	0	0	17	52
Crestwood Middle	545	539	506	497
Frederick Classical Charter (See Note 2)	38	75	113	119
Gov. Thomas Johnson Middle	522	549	532	549

Enrollment

Middle School Enrollment	Fiscal 2014 Actual	Fiscal 2015 Actual	Fiscal 2016 Actual	Fiscal 2017 Projected
Middletown Middle	809	786	816	818
Monocacy Middle	775	779	723	718
Monocacy Valley Montessori (See Note 2)	77	81	77	78
New Market Middle	478	507	497	520
Oakdale Middle	631	643	648	645
Thurmont Middle	613	583	543	547
Urbana Middle	767	798	834	834
Walkersville Middle	792	771	804	821
West Frederick Middle	863	858	856	803
Windsor Knolls Middle	821	770	777	756
Total Middle School Students	8,993	9,018	9,018	9,084

High School Enrollment	Fiscal 2014 Actual	Fiscal 2015 Actual	Fiscal 2016 Actual	Fiscal 2017 Projected
Brunswick High	673	701	737	753
Catoctin High	959	911	856	815
Frederick High	1,344	1,393	1,317	1,430
Gov Thomas Johnson High	1,435	1,436	1,408	1,357
Linganore High	1,482	1,438	1,423	1,379
Middletown High	1,131	1,159	1,139	1,131
Oakdale High	1,197	1,201	1,218	1,263
Tuscarora High	1,482	1,474	1,447	1,447
Urbana High	1,517	1,578	1,635	1,669
Walkersville High	1,108	1,070	1,071	1,080
Total High School Students	12,328	12,361	12,251	12,324

Other Schools Enrollment	Fiscal 2014 Actual	Fiscal 2015 Actual	Fiscal 2016 Actual	Fiscal 2017 Projected
Heather Ridge School	46	54	55	53
Rock Creek School	103	86	77	84
SUCCESS Program	59	45	44	44
Frederick County Virtual School (See Note 3)	20	19	19	18
Total Other School Students	228	204	195	199

Total Enrollment	Fiscal 2014 Actual	Fiscal 2015 Actual	Fiscal 2016 Actual	Fiscal 2017 Projected
Total Elementary School Enrollment	19,166	19,174	19,256	19,212
Total Middle School Enrollment	8,993	9,018	9,018	9,084
Total High School Enrollment	12,328	12,361	12,251	12,324
Total Other School Enrollment	228	204	195	199
Grand Total	40,715	40,757	40,720	40,819

- Note 1: Middletown ES and Thurmont ES are grades 3, 4 and 5 only. Middletown Primary and Thurmont Primary are Pre-K, K, 1 and 2 only.
- Note 2: The Carroll Creek Montessori School is located in leased space on Corporate Court. The Frederick Classical Charter School is located on Spires Way. The Monocacy Valley Montessori School is located in the former First Baptist Church on Dill Avenue in Frederick City. The capacity for the charter schools is based on program limitations.
- Note 3: This program used to be known as Evening High School.

Budgeted Positions

Budgeted Positions	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017 Superintendent Recommended
Total Positions (FTE)	5,565.12	5,659.81	5,583.37	5,598.09
General Fund	5,209.00	5,249.18	5,246.63	5,261.35
Grants	356.12	410.63	336.74	336.74

Distribution of Positions	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017 Superintendent Recommended
Teachers	2,762.09	2,777.23	2,730.26	2,748.98
Other Instructional Professionals (Counselors, Media Specialists, Therapists, Psychologists, Pupil Personnel Workers)	266.89	290.00	295.90	294.90
Aides - Paraprofessionals	974.82	1,011.04	968.78	966.78
School-Based Administrators (Principals, Asst. Principals)	147.00	147.00	149.00	147.00
Other Administrators	213.79	221.39	227.59	228.59
Other Professional Staff	44.85	47.45	40.85	40.85
Clerical, Custodial, Technical, Bus Drivers, Bus Aides, Maintenance	1,155.68	1,165.70	1,170.99	1,170.99

Other Information

The Budget Process and How You Can Participate

There are many ways Frederick County residents can participate in developing, reviewing and providing feedback regarding the school system's budget.

Overview of the Budget Process

Preparing the FCPS operating budget is virtually a year-round process. Each fall, school system staff members begin discussing priorities, and managers begin to compile budget requests for the next fiscal year. Supervisors review and adjust the preliminary requests before submitting them to the school system's Budget and Finance Office; the Superintendent and other officials review them. After careful consideration of the school system needs and public feedback about priorities, the Superintendent recommends an operating budget to the Board of Education (BOE) in January.

The BOE holds work sessions, regular meetings and a public hearing before submitting its budget request to the County Executive in February. The BOE may amend its budget request, and the County Executive may consider the amendments before the final budget is approved.

The County Executive will hold a public hearing on the county's operating budget in March. The County Council will hold a public hearing on the county's operating budget in April and adopt it by May 25. To respond to budget issues, the BOE may hold additional meetings during the latter part of the county's budget-review process. The BOE adopts the detailed school system budget in May; the budget takes effect July 1.

Public Meetings and Budget Timeline

FCPS encourages the public to attend hearings and to provide written and/or oral testimony. The remaining fiscal year 2017 process (to fund the 2016-2017 school year) will include the following [with updates posted at www.fcps.org/budget]:

- Wed, Jan 6 Building Frederick's Future: Education at a Crossroad Superintendent presents recommended operating budget and continues to learn community priorities
- Wed, Jan 13 Superintendent presentation of recommended budget to BOE
- Wed, Jan 20 Governor releases recommended state budget
- Tues, Jan 26 BOE budget work session
- Wed, Jan 27 BOE discusses operating budget

- Wed, Feb 3 BOE holds public hearing on FY2017 operating budget—7 PM, Oakdale High
- Wed, Feb 10 BOE discusses operating budget regular meeting
- Wed, Feb 17 BOE work session and approval of operating budget request to county
- Wed, May 11 BOE meeting (regular)
- Wed, May 25 BOE meeting (regular); BOE adopts final budget; establishes state-mandated category totals

Submitting Comments and Testimony

The Superintendent and BOE welcome public feedback. Please see names in the front of this document.

Contact the Board of Education

Mail: 191 S. East St., Frederick, MD 21701 Phone: 301-696-6850, Fax: 301-696-6950

Email: Board@fcps.org**

**This address is for submitting general budget comments that do not require an individual response. Submissions are forwarded to the BOE and appropriate school system officials.

Email the County Executive

Jan H. Gardner: jgardner@frederickcountymd.gov

Email the County Council

- President Bud Otis, Member at Large: botis@frederickcountymd.gov
- Vice President M.C. Keegan-Ayer, District 3: mckeegan-ayer@frederickcountymd.gov
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Other Information

The Budget Process and How You Can Participate (continued)

Mail the County Executive and/or Council Members

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More information on the county budget process: www.frederickcountymd.gov

Contact Your Legislators to Support Full Education Funding in Fiscal Year 2017

www.msa.maryland.gov/mdmanual

Speak at the Public Hearings

Board of Education

Wednesday, February 3, 7 PMOakdale High
5850 Eaglehead Drive, Ijamsville

Other Ways to Participate

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