

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

September 26, 2011

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Joshua P. Starr, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Utilization of the Fiscal Year 2012 Provision for Future Supported Projects

The Provision for Future Supported Projects is a lump sum appropriation that allows the Board of Education, under certain conditions, to approve the receipt and expenditure of unanticipated grant funds throughout the year rather than request supplemental appropriations from the County Council. Shown below are descriptions of the grant projects. Detail is provided for each award, indicating the name of the project, the award amount, the number of positions, and the funding sources. There also is a brief summary of the purpose of each project and how the funds will be used.

Authorization is requested to receive and expend, within the Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Provision for Future Supported Projects, grant awards totaling \$593,262 for the following continuing projects:

- Healthy Eating and Healthy Lifestyles Youth Initiative
- Team Nutrition Refresh Project
- *Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) Passthrough, Part B*
- Educator Effectiveness Academy and Teacher Induction Academy
- American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS): Earth Science
- Maryland Model for School Readiness (MMSR)

Continuing Projects

Name of Project	Amount	Positions	Funding Source
Healthy Eating and Healthy Lifestyles Youth Initiative	\$ 30,000	None	Other—The Mead Family Foundation

Purpose of the project: Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has received \$30,000 from The Mead Family Foundation for the Healthy Eating and Healthy Lifestyle Youth Initiative. The goal of the project is to increase participation for students who are eligible for reduced-price meals. The grant funds will be used to reduce the cost of lunches for middle school students eligible for reduced-price meals from forty to thirty cents.

Name of Project	Amount	Positions	Funding Source
Team Nutrition Refresh Project	\$ 9,998	None	United States Department of Education (USDE) through the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE)

Purpose of the program: MSDE has awarded a \$9,998 grant to the Division of Food and Nutrition Services to implement environmental enhancements in the cafeterias of Galway and Kemp Mill elementary schools. The goal is to help promote and create student awareness when selecting fruits, vegetables, and whole grain foods. The funds will be used to provide staff training, supplies for posters, nutrition books, tasting events, and various supplies.

Name of Project	Amount	Positions	Funding Source
<i>Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) Passthrough, Part B</i>	\$ 264,735	None	USDE through MSDE

Purpose of the program: MCPS has received \$29,425,299 from USDE through MSDE for the IDEA Passthrough, Part B project to support instruction and provide services and educational supplies for students with disabilities. This is an increase of \$264,735 to the Fiscal Year 2012 approved budget. The additional funds will be used to support tuition payments for students requiring nonpublic placements in school-age day programs.

Name of Project	Amount	Positions	Funding Source
Educator Effectiveness Academy and Teacher Induction Academy	\$ 232,465	None	MSDE

Purpose of the program: MCPS has received \$232,465 from MSDE to support the state required three-day Educator Effectiveness Academy and three-day Teacher Induction Academy. Each school's principal selected a team composed of an administrator; a reading/English/Language arts staff member; a mathematics staff member; and a staff member representing science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) to attend the academies. Funds from this grant award will be used for stipends and local travel for teachers attending the academies.

Name of Project	Amount	Positions	Funding Source
American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS): Earth Science	\$ 2,500	None	American Association for the Advancement of Science

Purpose of the program: MCPS has received \$2,500 from AAAS to support collaboration between MCPS, the National Aeronautics and Space Association, and the National Atmospheric and Oceanographic Association. The funds will provide stipends for five middle school teachers to receive training on incorporating weather and climate resources into instruction. The grantor also will provide diagrams, video clips, graphs, simulations, and analogies that clarify key ideas for students and allow teachers to participate in interviews with earth science researchers.

Name of Project	Amount	Positions	Funding Source
Maryland Model for School Readiness (MMSR)	\$ 53,564	None	MSDE

Purpose of the program: MCPS has received \$53,564 from MSDE for the MMSR project. MMSR is a state-mandated program that requires kindergarten teachers to complete a readiness-for-kindergarten screening checklist online for all kindergarten students. Teachers will receive a stipend for completing the checklist. Funds also will provide for an MSDE trainer to orient new teachers to the MMSR program, and for school readiness brochures and training materials.

Recommended Resolution

WHEREAS, The above-noted grants qualify for a transfer of appropriation from the Provision for Future Supported Projects, pursuant to the provisions of County Council Resolution No. 17-150, approved May 26, 2011; and

WHEREAS, The above-noted projects do not require any present or future county funds; and

WHEREAS, Sufficient appropriation is available, within the Fiscal Year 2012 Provision for Future Supported Projects, to permit the above-noted transfers within state categories; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized by the Montgomery County Board of Education to receive and expend \$593,262 within the Fiscal Year 2012 Provision for Future Supported Projects, as specified below:

Project	Amount
Healthy Eating and Healthy Lifestyles Youth Initiative	\$ 30,000
Team Nutrition Refresh Project	9,998
<i>Individuals with Disabilities Act</i> Passthrough, Part B	264,735
Educator Effectiveness Academy and Teacher Induction Academy	232,465
American Association for the Advancement of Science: Earth Science	2,500
Maryland Model for School Readiness	53,564
Total	<u>\$ 593,262</u>

and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the county executive and the County Council.

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Attachment

STATUS OF FY 2012 PROVISION FOR FUTURE SUPPORTED PROJECTS

CATEGORY	CURRENT APPROPRIATION	TRANSFERS TO/(FROM)	REVISED APPROPRIATION	PRIOR ALLOCATION	THIS ALLOCATION	UNALLOCATED BALANCE
1 Administration	\$ 445,899	\$ -	\$ 445,899	\$ (26,207)		\$ 419,692
2 Mid-level Administration	867,793		867,793			867,793
3 Instructional Salaries	3,471,795		3,471,795	(94,936)	\$ (277,990)	3,098,869
4 Textbooks & Instructional Supplies	625,021		625,021	107	(1,427)	623,701
5 Other Instructional Costs	2,297,149		2,297,149	(118,646)	(5,350)	2,173,153
6 Special Education	565,580		565,580	(206,209)	(264,735)	94,636
7 Student Personnel Services	322,991		322,991	(47,478)		275,513
9 Student Transportation	110,332		110,332			110,332
12 Fixed Charges	583,299		583,299	(24,819)	(3,921)	554,559
14 Community Services	158,495		158,495			158,495
61 Food Services Fund					\$ (39,839)	(39,839)
Total	\$ 9,448,354	\$ -	\$ 9,448,354	\$ (518,188)	\$ (593,262)	\$ 8,336,904

Projects:

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American Association for the Advancement of the Sciences: Earth Science	2,500
Maryland Model for School Readiness	53,564
Total	\$ 593,262