

Response to Questions on the FY 2006 Advertised Budget Plan

Request By: Supervisor Gross

Question: What are the potential savings in the SACC program associated with the institution of all day kindergarten?

Response: The School-Age Child Care (SACC) program provides child care services (both during the school year and during spring, summer and winter vacations) to children in elementary schools throughout the County. There are three components to the school year SACC program. They are:

- Before School – 7:15 AM until school begins.
- After Kindergarten – End of morning kindergarten until the end of school day.
- After School – End of school day until 6:15 PM.

If the Fairfax County Public School System implements full day kindergarten throughout the County, the After Kindergarten component of the school year SACC program would be eliminated. Today, 129 elementary schools have a school year SACC program. Of those, 62 already have full day kindergarten (this includes the four additional schools proposed in the FY 2006 budget) while the remaining 67 have half day kindergarten. The potential savings of eliminating the After Kindergarten component from these 67 schools is \$1,244,167 or \$18,570 per school. The net impact to the County after revenue is \$311,042 or \$4,642 per school.