

## Response to Questions on the FY 2005 Advertised Budget Plan

**Request By:** Chairman Connolly and Supervisor Hudgins

**Question:** Summarize the chronology of the ranking of Woodson High School renovations v. other schools on the CIP list, beginning in 1998 when South Lakes planning dollars were provided. Clarify what planning dollars were provided for Woodson High School over this time, including recommendations provided by the Supervisor at planning meetings. What are the ages of these high schools and when were they last renovated?

**Response:** The following response was prepared by Fairfax County Public Schools.

In 1998 the school system was using a renovation priority list that was prepared in 1987. This list included, in order of priority, the following high school renovations:

Chantilly	Built in 1972
Robinson Secondary	Built in 1971
Mt. Vernon	Built in 1960*
West Potomac	Built in 1960*
Hayfield	Built in 1968
Lake Braddock Secondary	Built in 1971
South Lakes	Built in 1978

\*Mt. Vernon and West Potomac received significant additions in 1973 and 1976 respectively.

When the 1987 Renovation List was developed, Woodson High School had just received a renovation (completed in 1984). Although the scope of that renovation was significantly smaller than today's renovation package it was the standard at that time, consequently Woodson and numerous other schools that had been renovated in the late 1970's/early 1980's were not included in the 1987 evaluation. The renovation of South Lakes High School will complete the last high school renovation on the 1987 priority list. A new evaluation of renovation candidates was completed in 1999. This new renovation priority list includes many of the schools that received the smaller scale renovations. Woodson High School is the first high school on the new priority list.

During its evaluation of the FY 2003-2007 CIP, the Board of Supervisors voted to move one million dollars of planning money for Woodson's renovation ahead one year, to start in FY 2003. Subsequent versions of the CIP reflected this new start date.