

Response to Questions on the FY 2012 Budget

Request By: Supervisor Herrity

Question: Please provide the total cost of the “After Kindergarten SACC program” and also a breakdown of cost per school.

Response: The School Age Child Care (SACC) program supports working families by offering out- of-school time care for children in kindergarten through sixth grade, as well as older children with multiple disabilities. SACC provides before school, after school, holiday and summer programs.

SACC is offered in 136 elementary schools and one recreation center throughout the county. There are currently 35 county elementary schools that have a half-day kindergarten program. SACC provides After Kindergarten services to 722 children in these schools.

The cost of providing all SACC services is included in one integrated SACC program budget and costs are not budgeted or tracked on a school by school basis. The net cost to the County for After Kindergarten services is \$498,180. The total cost for After Kindergarten services is approximately \$2.2 million. Based on a cost recovery rate of approximately 77 percent for the SACC program, this \$2.2 million is offset by fee revenues of \$1,667,820. The net cost to the county of \$498,180 supports the cost of serving families with low income and children with special needs.