

Response to Questions on the FY 2012 Budget

Request By: Supervisor McKay

Question: Does the school system have a process for third party review of programs and expenditures? If so, who does that person report to and are the reports publicly available?

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

Yes, FCPS has a process for reviews of programs and expenditures. The Office of Internal Audit serves as an independent appraisal function for reviews of operations and expenditures. The director of Internal Audit reports to a School Board Audit Committee which consists of two School Board members, the Superintendent, and Deputy Superintendent. Additional information about the office and all audit reports are publicly available on the Internal Audit website at <http://www.fcps.edu/supt/internalaudit/index.html>.

Reviews of programs are conducted by the Office of Program Evaluation. The director of the Office of Program Evaluation reports to the Assistant Superintendent of Professional Learning and Accountability. Program evaluation procedures and evaluations are publicly available on the Office of Program Evaluation website at http://www.fcps.edu/accountability/off_prog_eval/index.htm.