

Response to Questions on the FY 2011 Budget

Request By: Supervisor Herrity

Question: Please provide the actual cost paid for all school bus purchases or leases made in the past five years. Please provide a list of buses by the year purchased.

Response: The following answer was provided by the Fairfax County Public Schools:

Please see the chart below for a listing of buses purchased since FY 2006. Lease/purchase contractual agreements consist of a five-year annual payment plan covering both principal and interest. In FY 2011, FCPS will not appropriate funding for the lease/purchase of new buses.

The outright purchase of one bus in FY 2010 is the result of a joint hybrid bus purchase with Fairfax County. The full cost of the hybrid bus is \$228,950; \$103,000 funded by a U.S. Department of Energy ARRA grant awarded to Fairfax County, \$6,000 funded by Fairfax County Department of Vehicle Services (DVS), and the \$119,950 funded by FCPS is included on the chart. In prior fiscal years, outright purchases are typically funded from the depreciation rate charged in the rate for school bus usage by other educational or governmental organizations.

Bus Purchases/Leases FY 2006 - FY 2010				
PurchaseYear	PurchaseType	Number Purchased	Purchase Price	Payments Made for New and Existing Lease/Purchase Contracts
FY 2010	Outright	1	119,950	
	Lease Purchase	25	2,571,465	
FY 2010 Total		26	\$ 2,691,415	\$ 9,296,003
FY 2009	Outright	1	107,032	
	Lease Purchase	46	4,858,498	
FY 2009 Total		47	\$ 4,965,530	\$ 11,094,104
FY 2008	Outright	6	614,399	
	Lease Purchase	99	10,077,648	
FY 2008 Total		105	\$ 10,692,046	\$ 11,912,887
FY 2007	Outright	2	209,180	
	Lease Purchase	98	9,828,940	
FY 2007 Total		100	\$ 10,038,120	\$ 12,685,631
FY 2006	Outright	15	1,364,947	
	Lease Purchase	93	8,561,292	
FY 2006 Total		108	\$ 9,926,239	\$ 12,944,945