

Response to Questions on the FY 2011 Budget

Request By: Supervisor Herrity

Question: In a presentation given to the BOS on March 16, 2009, the Superintendent noted that for the 2008-2009 school year, “Revised projections result in a net decrease of 792 students from the fall projections. “ (**Slide 4**)

<http://www.fcps.edu/news/fy2010/sbbosbudgetworksession.pdf>.

At a Budget Committee meeting on March 16, 2010, the Superintendent stated that FCPS received 1,000 students above the FCPS projection for the 2008-2009 school year.

Please provide an explanation for the discrepancy between these two statements.

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

The Superintendent’s statement of a net decrease of 792 students referred to the change in projected students for FY 2010 from the fall projection to the spring projection. The fall projection for FY 2010 of 174,365 was revised in the spring to 173,573 (the decrease of 792).

The second statement by the Superintendent referred to the actual number of students in FY 2009 which was 169,538. This is 1,154 (approximately 1,000 as stated by the Superintendent) more than the FY 2009 spring projection of 168,384.

There is no discrepancy as the two statements refer to different projection periods.