



Todd M. Turner  
Chair  
District 4

July 23, 2020

Alvin Thornton, Ph.D.  
Chair, Board of Education  
Sasscer Administration Building  
14201 School Lane  
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Dear Dr. Thornton:

In response to your joint letter with Dr. Goldson dated July 6, 2020, the Prince George's County Council hereby approves the Board of Education's (BOE) request for additional appropriation authority and reconciling realignment of major expenditure categories within the BOE's FY 2021 Approved Operating Budget.

A reconciliation process is completed at the beginning of each new fiscal year to reconcile the County Council's appropriated revenue and expenditure balances to the fiscal priorities of Prince George's County Public School's (PGCPS) programs and initiatives. Through reconciliation PGCPS can refine and align projected spending among the various statutory expenditure categories to reflect PGCPS' anticipated spending within each category, consistent with its operational plans and policies for the fiscal year. The Council understands for FY 2021 that the reconciling adjustments are needed to support critical school-based initiatives while maintaining fiscal responsibility amid COVID-19-related revenue reductions.

The transfer request realigns anticipated expenditure through increases of funding in the following ten (10) major expenditure categories: Mid-Level Administration, Instructional Salaries & Wages, Textbooks and Instructional Materials, Special Education, Student Personnel Services, Student Health Services, Operation of Plant, Fixed Charges, Food Service Subsidy and Community Services. Expenditure funding is requested to be reduced in the following five (5) major expenditure categories: Administration, Other Instructional Costs, Student Transportation Services, Maintenance of Plant, and Capital Outlay.

As a result of the impact of the major expenditure category realignment, and an increase in anticipated Federal grant revenue, the Board of Education's FY 2021 Operating Budget will increase from \$2,278,138,000 to \$2,319,506,234. This revised budget was approved by the County Council on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 and is reflected in Attachment 1.

The County Council looks forward to the continued strong partnership which provides support and essential financial resources to the Board of Education for critical programs and initiatives for the students of Prince George's County Public Schools. We commit to continue to work closely as your partner to further strengthen and improve the overall performance, effectiveness, and perceptions of our School System. If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely



Hon. Todd M. Turner  
Council Chair



**Prince George's County Board of Education  
FY 2021 Budget Reconciliation Transfer Request  
as of July 1, 2020**

| <b>Revenue Category</b>               | <b>FY 2021<br/>County Council<br/>APPROVED<br/>Board of Education Budget</b> | <b>FY 2021<br/>Budget Reconciliation<br/>Transfer Request</b> | <b>FY 2021<br/>County Council<br/>REVISED APPROVED<br/>Board of Education Budget</b> |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Federal Sources                       | \$ 124,505,500   | \$ 29,908,951   | \$ 154,414,451   |
| Board Sources                         | 19,393,000   | (1,161,558)   | 18,231,442   |
| Fund Balance                          | 39,325,700   | 4,370,362   | 43,696,062   |
| State Sources                         | 1,279,118,800  | 8,250,479   | 1,287,369,279  |
| County Sources                        | 815,795,000  | -   | 815,795,000  |
| <b>Revenue Totals</b>                 | <b>\$ 2,278,138,000</b>  | <b>\$ 41,368,234</b>  | <b>\$ 2,319,506,234</b>  |
|                                       |  |   |  |
| <b>Expenditure Category</b>           | <b>FY 2021<br/>County Council<br/>APPROVED<br/>Board of Education Budget</b> | <b>FY 2021<br/>Budget Reconciliation<br/>Transfer Request</b> | <b>FY 2021<br/>County Council<br/>REVISED APPROVED<br/>Board of Education Budget</b> |
| Administration                        | \$ 90,229,400  | \$ (1,418,915)  | \$ 88,810,485  |
| Mid-Level Administration              | 142,869,000  | 2,183,729   | 145,052,729  |
| Instructional Salaries                | 787,312,900  | 271,542   | 787,584,442  |
| Textbooks and Instructional Materials | 20,284,300   | 976,515   | 21,260,815   |
| Other Instructional Costs             | 94,882,300   | (2,232,279)   | 92,650,021   |
| Special Education                     | 314,579,300  | 7,856,730   | 322,436,030  |
| Student Personnel Services            | 32,604,100   | 12,917,477  | 45,521,577   |
| Student Health Services               | 24,549,800   | 401,302   | 24,951,102   |
| Student Transportation Services       | 119,085,200  | (7,368,732)   | 111,716,468  |
| Operation of Plant                    | 140,487,900  | 2,031,645   | 142,519,545  |
| Maintenance of Plant                  | 48,425,100   | (183,318)   | 48,241,782   |
| Fixed Charges                         | 452,743,700  | 23,550,639  | 476,294,339  |
| Food Services Subsidy                 | 5,178,100  | 2,238,789   | 7,416,889  |
| Community Services                    | 4,583,000  | 192,010   | 4,775,010  |
| Capital Outlay                        | 323,900  | (48,900)  | 275,000  |
| <b>Expenditure Totals</b>             | <b>\$ 2,278,138,000</b>  | <b>\$ 41,368,234</b>  | <b>\$ 2,319,506,234</b>  |