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Staff: Nicole Rodriguez-Hernandez, Legislative Analyst
Purpose: To receive testimony/final action - vote expected
Keywords: #MCPS

AGENDA ITEM #9
June 15, 2021
Public Hearing/Action

SUBJECT

Special Appropriation to the FY21 Operating Budget, Montgomery County Public Schools, \$3,964,162 for Title I, Part A Grant (Source of Funds: State Grant)

EXPECTED ATTENDEES

None

COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None

DESCRIPTION/ISSUE

The County Council will receive testimony and consider action on a special appropriation to the FY21 Operating Budget, Montgomery County Public Schools, \$3,964,162 for the Title I, Part A Grant. The source of funds is a State grant.

SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSION POINTS

- The Board of Education requested this appropriation on May 13. The Council introduced this appropriation on May 18.
- This special appropriation is needed because MCPS received additional funding from the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE). This award represents an increase of \$3,964,162 more than the amount of \$28,577,342 in the MCPS FY21 Operating Budget. The additional allocation from MSDE is the result of scores calculated based on poverty and differentiation among schools, updates to selected measures, English Language Learner proficiency, and identification of Comprehensive Support and Improvement Schools and Targeted Support and Improvement Schools.
- MCPS will utilize these funds to provide schools additional support to improve the teaching and learning for students at risk of not meeting challenging academic achievement standards, especially those students who reside in areas with high concentrations of children from low-income families. The grant requires the provision of equitable services to students and teachers in non-public schools.

This report contains:

Board of Education Document (May 13, 2021)
Draft Special Appropriation Resolution

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Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

May 13, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Marc Elrich, County Executive
The Honorable Tom Hucker, President,
Montgomery County Council

From: Jack R. Smith, Superintendent of Schools 

Subject: Transmittal of Board of Education Agenda Item #9.13

Recommended Fiscal Year 2021 Supplemental Appropriation for Title I, Part A

BOE Meeting Date:	May 11, 2021
Amount:	\$3,964,162
Type of Action:	Approval

JRS:DKM:jp

Attachment


Copy to:
Mr. Marella
Montgomery County Office of Management and Budget

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

May 11, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Jack R. Smith, Superintendent of Schools 

Subject: Recommended Fiscal Year 2021 Supplemental Appropriation for Title I, Part A

Recommendation in Brief

Authorization is requested to receive and expend, subject to County Council approval, a Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 supplemental appropriation of \$3,964,162. Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has received \$32,541,504 from the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) for the FY 2021 Title I, Part A grant. This award represents an increase of \$3,964,162 more than the amount of \$28,577,342 approved in the FY 2021 Operating Budget.

Background

MCPS currently operates programs under the Title I, Part A Program grant. The purpose of the grant is to provide schools additional support to improve the teaching and learning for students at risk of not meeting challenging academic achievement standards, especially those students who reside in areas with high concentrations of children from low-income families. The additional allocation from MSDE is the result of scores calculated based on poverty and differentiation among schools, updates to selected measures, English Language Learner proficiency, and identification of Comprehensive Support and Improvement Schools and Targeted Support and Improvement Schools. There is a grant requirement to provide equitable services to students and teachers in non-public schools.

Support of Board of Education Mission

The Title I, Part A grant is supported by the District Implementation Plan for the Strategic Priorities, Focus on Learning, Accountability and Results and aligns with the strategic objective to meet the needs of students and families highly impacted by poverty. The focus of this grant is to provide additional support to schools with a high concentration of students from low-income families. The grant funds provide for additional staff, instructional materials, and summer programs for students.

In addition, the grant activities will seek to promote racial equity and social justice. This will be accomplished by focusing support of students of color and those highly impacted by poverty through the additional supports provided to schools with a high number of students impacted by poverty.

Use of Funds

Funds will be used to provide for:

- Non-position instructional salaries; and
- Fixed charges.

Recommended Resolution

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools has received notification from the Maryland State Department of Education that it will receive an additional \$3,964,162 for the Title I, Part A grant; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the superintendent of schools be authorized to receive and expend, subject to County Council approval, a Fiscal Year 2021 supplemental appropriation of \$3,964,162 for the Title I, Part A grant in the following categories:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>
03 Instructional Salaries	\$ 2,785,333
12 Fixed Charges	1,178,829
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 3,964,162</u>

and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the county executive and County Council; and be it further

Resolved, That the county executive be requested to recommend approval of this resolution to the County Council.

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Resolution No.: _____
Introduced: May 18, 2021
Adopted: _____

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Special Appropriation to the FY21 Operating Budget
Montgomery County Public Schools
Title I, Part A Grant, \$3,964,162
Source of Funds: Maryland State Department of Education

Background

1. Section 308 of the County Charter provides that a special appropriation is an appropriation which states that it is necessary to meet an unforeseen disaster or other emergency, or to act without delay in the public interest. Each special appropriation shall be approved by not less than six Councilmembers. The Council may approve a special appropriation at any time after public notice by news release. Each special appropriation shall specify the source of funds to finance it.
2. The Board of Education has requested a special appropriation of \$3,964,162 for the Montgomery County Public Schools' FY21 Operating Budget for a Title I, Part A Grant from the Maryland State Department of Education:

<u>Personnel</u> <u>Services</u>	<u>Operating</u> <u>Expenses</u>	<u>Capital</u> <u>Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source</u> <u>of Funds</u>
\$3,964,162	\$0	\$0	\$3,964,162	Grant

3. This appropriation is needed to provide spending authority for the use of grant funds received from the Maryland State Department of Education. As a grant award, there is no effect on the County's current or future maintenance of effort requirements.
4. Notice of public hearing was given and the public hearing was held.
5. The County Council declares this request is in the public interest to be acted upon without delay as provided for under special appropriation requirements described in Article 3, Section 308 of the Montgomery County Charter.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

A special appropriation to the FY21 Operating Budget of the Montgomery County Public Schools is approved as follows:

<u>Personnel Services</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Capital Outlay</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
\$3,964,162	\$0	\$0	\$3,964,162	Grant

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Selena Mendy Singleton, Esq.
Clerk of the Council