

FY 2008 QUESTION NUMBER: 34

QUESTION:

What is the current student to counselor ratio for each middle and high school? What is the impact of the additional positions for FY 2008 on the system-wide average ratio?

BUDGET PAGE REFERENCE:

ANSWER:

The current student-to-counselor ratios for FY 2007 are provided in tables A and B below. The following counselor FTEs are not included in the staffing ratio formulas: 4.6 FTE ESOL counselors, 2.0 FTE counselors for the Montgomery College Institute, 1.0 FTE counselor for the Collaborative Action Process, and 1.0 FTE counselor for the Northeast Consortium.

Table A - Middle School				
School	FY 2007 Enrollment	Resource Counselor	Counselors	Ratio
Argyle	735	1.0	2.0	245
Baker	737		3.0	246
Banneker	765	1.0	2.0	255
Briggs Chaney	945	1.0	2.5	270
Cabin John	971	1.0	2.5	277
Clemente	1,122	1.0	3.5	249
Eastern	822	1.0	2.5	235
Farquhar	735		3.0	245
Forest Oak	806	1.0	2.5	230
Frost	1,148	1.0	3.5	255
Gaithersburg MS	728	1.0	2.0	243
Hoover	1,041	1.0	3.0	260
Key	792	1.0	2.5	226
King MS	741	1.0	2.0	247
Kingsview	820	1.0	2.0	273
Lakelands Park	863	1.0	2.0	288
Lee	513		2.5	205
Loiederman	822	1.0	2.5	235
Mont Village	749	1.0	2.0	250
Neelsville	801	1.0	2.0	267
Newport Mill	615		2.5	246
North Bethesda	728		3.0	243
Parkland	680	1.0	2.0	227
Parks	952	1.0	2.5	272
Poole MS	385		2.0	193
Pyle	1,276	1.0	4.0	255

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School	FY 2007 Enrollment	Resource Counselor	Counselors	Ratio
Redland	676	1.0	2.0	225
Ridgeview	744	1.0	2.0	248
Rocky Hill	952	1.0	2.5	381
Shady Grove	615	1.0	1.5	246
Silver Spring Int	750	1.0	2.5	214
Sligo Middle	613		2.5	245
Takoma Park MS	901	1.0	2.5	257
Tilden	770	1.0	3.0	193
West	988	1.0	3.0	247
Westland	988	1.0	2.5	282
White Oak	811	1.0	2.5	232
Wood	814	1.0	2.5	233
Total	30,914	31.0	94.5	248

Table B - High School				
School	FY 2007 Enrollment	Resource Counselors	Counselors	Ratio
Bethesda CC	1,689	1.0	5.5	260
Blair	2,930	1.0	11.0	244
Blake	1,860	1.0	6.5	248
Churchill	2,180	1.0	7.0	273
Clarksburg HS	1,003	1.0	3.0	251
Damascus HS	1,596	1.0	5.0	266
Einstein	1,732	1.0	5.5	266
Gaithersburg HS	2,171	1.0	7.5	255
Johnson, W	1,967	1.0	6.5	262
Kennedy	1,495	1.0	4.5	272
Magruder	2,140	1.0	7.0	268
Montgomery, R.	1,925	1.0	6.5	257
Northwest	1,999	1.0	7.0	250
Northwood	1,023	1.0	3.0	256
Paint Branch	1,753	1.0	6.0	250
Poolesville HS	939	1.0	2.5	268
Quince Orchard	1,838	1.0	6.0	263
Rockville	1,290	1.0	4.0	258
Seneca Valley	1,454	1.0	5.5	224
Sherwood HS	2,170	1.0	7.0	271
Springbrook	2,001	1.0	7.0	250

Table B - High School				
School	FY 2007 Enrollment	Resource Counselors	Counselors	Ratio
Watkins Mill HS	1,777	1.0	6.0	254
Wheaton	1,410	1.0	4.5	256
Whitman	1,890	1.0	6.0	270
Wootton	2,488	1.0	8.0	276
Totals	44,720	25.0	148.0	258

The FY 2008 budget includes 16.5 additional middle school counselors and 4.0 additional high school counselors. Using FY 2008 enrollment projections these increases will lower the student to counselor ratios as follows:

- Middle School – From 248:1 to 210:1
- High School – From 258:1 to 248:1