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QUESTION:

What is the staffing for the CAP program? Are we still using grant funding? And what is the plan for the program when the grant expires?

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ANSWER:

There are four staff members that serve on the Central Collaborative Action Program (CAP) team (three school psychologists and one school counselor). In FY 2006, an additional three school psychologists and three pupil personnel workers were hired to support the roll out of CAP. These six positions were assigned to field offices. Salaries for these 10 positions are funded through the MCPS budget.

In FY 2003, six school psychologists, one social worker, one school counselor, and one secretary were assigned to the Kids First Alliance (KFA), through the federally funded Safe Schools, Healthy Students grant. These salaries are paid with grant funds. The grant expires in July 2007, at which time the staff will be reassigned to the Department of Student Services. The movement of staff from the KFA grant to a field office placement will not affect the process of implementing CAP in additional schools. The expansion of CAP is determined by staff capacity and training capacity.