

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

April 27, 2022

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Monifa B. McKnight, Interim Superintendent of Schools

Subject: School Safety Data (02-24-2022-02-A, -B)

During the *School Safety, School Climate, Mental Health, and Restorative Justice Updates* discussion, Board members requested the following information:

Question A

Ms. Wolff requested information regarding the Latino students that was not disaggregated on slide 7 of the presentation.

Response

Staff in the Department of Systemwide Safety and Emergency Management contacted Montgomery County Police Department (MCPD) regarding this inquiry. Captain Stacey A. Flynn, director, Community Engagement Division, responded that MCPD follows the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) guidelines in which Latino is listed as an ethnicity, not a race. MCPD captures race codes of White, Black, American Indian, and Asian. According to the FBI race codes, persons who identify as Latino are considered White for race.

Question B

Ms. Wolff requested the disaggregated data for Latino students for all percentage categories only denoted as “white” in the presentation slides.

Response

MCPS is unable to provide any further data as Latino is considered an ethnicity, not a race.

If you have questions, please contact Mr. Edward A. Clarke, chief safety officer, Department of Systemwide Safety and Emergency Management, via email.

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