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QUESTION:

What MCPS positions provide parent support and outreach? How are we partnering across departments for parent support?

BUDGET PAGE REFERENCE:

ANSWER:

MCPS Parent Support and Outreach Positions:

The FY 2009 budget includes 67.1 central services and 8.8 school-based positions whose primary responsibility is supporting schools in their parental involvement efforts.

Positions	Central Services FTEs	School-based FTEs
Division of ESOL/Bilingual Programs		
Coordinator	1.0	
Parent Community Coordinator	16.5	
Parent Services Assistant	4.3	
Instructional Specialist	3.0	
Paraeducator	1.2	
Teacher	1.0	
PreK/Head Start Unit		
Social Worker	3.0	
Social Services Assistant	13.1	
Division of Family and Community Partnerships		
Director	1.0	
Supervisor	1.0	
Coordinator (Study Circles)	1.0	
Instructional Specialist		
Parent Community Coordinator	14.0	
Partnership Manager	3.0	
Title I		
Teacher – Special Program		1.0
Parent Community Coordinator		5.225
Paraeducator		.375
K-12 Budget		
Parent Community Coordinator		2.2
Division of Consortia Choice and Application		
Programs Services		
Instructional Specialist	1.0	
Total	67.1	8.8

Additionally, the following 49.7 positions spend a portion of their time working on supporting schools with parental involvement.

12.0 Title I instructional specialists11.5 Title I Gifted and Talented teachers (.5 in 23 elementary schools)15.2 Middle School Accelerated and Enriched Instruction Support Teacher (.4 in every middle school)11.0 Department of Special Education Services social workers

Partnering Across Departments:

The breadth of parent involvement activities at both the school and system level is enormous and strategic coordination of these efforts is essential. Unquestionably, greater coordination will result in more efficient, effective, and equitable delivery of services to schools and families. The Parent Involvement Cross-Functional Team was created to ensure that that there is greater coordination among offices, that Board of Education policies and MCPS regulations are being implemented consistently, that the work of parent outreach staff is research-based and designed to improve student achievement, and that individual schools are supported in their parent involvement efforts. The Parent Involvement Cross-Functional Team meets monthly and includes representatives from the following offices and departments: Department of Communications, Office of School Performance, Department of Special Education Services and Operations, Department of Student Services, Division of Title I Programs, Division of ESOL/Bilingual Programs, Division of Family and Community Partnerships, Linkages to Learning, Division of Consortia Choice and Application Program Services, Department of Shared Accountability, Office of Organizational Development, Office of Human Resources, and Office of the Chief Academic Officer.