FY 2009 QUESTION NUMBER: 32

QUESTION:

Provide information about the crossing guard situation at Cabin John Middle School?

BUDGET PAGE REFERENCE: N/A

ANSWER:

A request was received in the fall by the MCPS Department of Transportation and the School Safety Section of the Montgomery County Police for a crossing guard to be stationed at the fourway stop intersection of Gainsborough Road and Bells Mill Road in the fall. Both offices reviewed the request and came to the same determination. The crossing is well within the standards for middle school students to negotiate independently. This determination was based on a comparison of many other locations along walking routes for middle school students throughout the county. Decisions such as these are not based on numbers of students, but rather on the comparison noted above. Had safety considerations warranted either placement of a crossing guard or initiation of bus service due to staff safety assessments, one or the other would have been implemented.