

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

July 15, 2020

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Jack R. Smith, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: High School Financial Losses Due to COVID-19 Closure (05-28-20-02-A)

During the Continuity of Learning: Phase III Update, Board members requested the following information:

Question A

Ms. Dixon requested information regarding the possible financial losses incurred by high schools in light of the COVID-19 closure as it relates to revenues from student obligations, especially those incurred by graduating seniors.

Response

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) high school financial agents each submitted the total amount of financial obligations for the Class of 2020 as of April 24, 2020. The approximate amount as of that date was \$344,000, with all but one high school reporting data. Central services staff did not direct high school staff to waive obligations or to collect them all. High school staff worked with high school seniors and their families to collect the obligations.

The final amount of financial obligations collected by the conclusion of the 2019–2020 school year currently is not available. Financial obligations for students in other grade levels who will return to MCPS for the 2020–2021 school year will be collected during the school year. Staff in high schools have been asked to provide an update of outstanding obligations.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Janet S. Wilson, chief of teaching, learning and schools, Office of Teaching, Learning and Schools, via e-mail.

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