



Annual Family Forum

September 23, 2026

Dr. Major Warner, Superintendent

Agenda

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- Introductions
- Student Supports
- SOL & EOC Performance Trends
- Virginia SOL Updates
- Improvements to School Safety
- Improvements to Infrastructure
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- FCPS1 Superintendent's Annual Report
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Introductions



School Board



Executive Cabinet

Student Supports

Leadership Development

Work collaboratively with the Department of Instruction and Special Education to implement changes to the Response to Intervention (RTI) process

Special Education

New Compliance Officer
Implementation of Inclusive Plan

Student Health

Through project ADAM 13 schools earned the heart safe school designation, the remaining schools should have this designation by the conclusion of the 2026-27 school year





SOL & EOC PERFORMANCE TRENDS

2023-24 → 2025-26

Our students. Our schools. Our progress.

Rising Together!



SOL PERFORMANCE TRENDS

All grade levels saw gains or maintained their pass rates in reading and math from 2023-24 to 2025-26.



GRADES 3-8 READING

Grade	2023-24 Pass Rate	2024-25 Pass Rate	2025-26 Pass Rate	Change ('23-'24 → '25-'26)
3	65%	64%	68%	+3 ↑
4	73%	73%	74%	+1 ↑
5	72%	73%	73%	+1 ↑
6	70%	74%	71%	+1 ↑
7	69%	72%	74%	+5 ↑
8	68%	71%	78%	+10 ↑



GRADES 3-8 MATH

Grade	2023-24 Pass Rate	2024-25 Pass Rate	2025-26 Pass Rate	Change ('23-'24 → '25-'26)
3	71%	72%	72%	+1 ↑
4	72%	73%	76%	+4 ↑
5	71%	72%	74%	+3 ↑
6	63%	67%	67%	+4 ↑
7	59%	57%	66%	+7 ↑
8	59%	66%	67%	+8 ↑



EOC PERFORMANCE TRENDS

Division-level EOC pass rates in Fauquier County Public Schools.

EOC Assessment	2023-24 Pass Rate	2024-25 Pass Rate	2025-26 Pass Rate	Change ('23-'24 → '25-'26)
English Reading	84%	86%	87%	+3 ↑
Writing	79%	80%	81%	+2 ↑
Mathematics	82.70%	84.36%	86.38%	+3.68 ↑
Science (Biology)	73.24%	75.37%	76.66%	+3.42 ↑

EOC results show steady gains across all subjects, with the strongest growth in Biology (+3.42).



THE BIG PICTURE



SOL pass rates (Grades 3-8) showed **improvement** or maintained their pass rate from 2023-24 to 2025-26.



EOC results show steady gains across all subjects, with the strongest growth in **Biology (+3.42)**.



The largest increase in the data is Grade 8 Reading, with a **10-point gain!**

Higher pass rates today build brighter opportunities tomorrow!



Thank you

to our students, families, teachers and staff for your continued support and dedication!



Fauquier County Public Schools
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Source: Virginia Department of Education, School Quality Profiles | Pass rates represent the percentage of students who passed the SOL assessment.

2026–2027 VIRGINIA SOL UPDATES

Key Changes to Test Blueprints, Released Items, Cut Scores, Scoring & Testing Windows



SOL TEST BLUEPRINT UPDATES

Much like the blueprint for a building, a test blueprint serves as a guide for test construction. The blueprint indicates the content standards that will be addressed by the test and the number of items that will be included by reporting category and for the test as a whole. There is a blueprint for each test.



Grades 3–8 Reading and Mathematics: The “Additional Items” at the end of the SOL tests will **no longer be administered**.



Updated test blueprints will be available on the [VDOE Test Blueprints webpage](#).



RELEASED SOL TEST ITEM SETS

Released tests are representative of the content and skills which have been included in the Virginia SOL tests and are provided to assist in understanding the format of the tests and questions.



VDOE plans to release SOL test item sets during the 2026–2027 school year.



Online item sets are expected this fall for Grades 3–8 Mathematics and Reading, Grade 5 and 8 Science, EOC Algebra I, and EOC Biology.



Additional item sets for EOC Geometry and EOC Reading will be released later.



Released materials will include information such as correct answers, SOL alignment and more.



PERFORMANCE LEVEL & CUT SCORE UPDATES

VDOE continues to emphasize its belief that Virginia’s students are as capable as any in the nation. Their vision is that every student enters kindergarten ready to learn and graduates prepared for life. To support this vision, the Commonwealth is raising expectations for what students should know and be able to do while ensuring schools have the resources and supports necessary to help every student succeed.



Virginia is continuing its phased implementation of new Reading and Mathematics SOL cut scores beginning in 2026–2027.



For High School credit courses, different cut scores may apply to the same SOL during the phase-in, so be sure to pay attention to the standard year and SOL when reviewing results or resources.



Please review the resources linked below for additional information by clicking this link: [Proficiency Implementation Plan Resources](#).



SCORING

600

SOL score reports will continue to include the traditional **600-point score**.

100

Beginning this school year, all Standards of Learning (SOL) assessments and Local Alternative Assessments (LAAs) will also be reported on a **100-point scale** in addition to the 600-point horizontal scaled score for the SOL.

VSS

The vertical scaled score (VSS), four-digit score will **no longer be used**.



Expedited retake qualification will continue to be based on a **25-point deficit** from the cut score.



Fall 2027 Accountability for high school will be reported on **current data** not cohort year.



TESTING WINDOWS



The 2026–2027 SOL testing windows have been released.



First time test takers in Grades 7–12 must test during the **last 10 full days of school**.



This includes make ups and expedited retakes.



IMPORTANT NOTE

For grades 7–12 the 10% of grade requirement is **NOT** in effect this school year. It is currently projected to begin in SY 2028–2029.

THE GOAL



Raise expectations and provide fair, accurate measures of student learning while ensuring schools have the resources and supports needed to help every student succeed.



Higher standards for college, career, and life readiness



Clear, consistent information to support instruction and improvement



Stronger accountability and transparency



Better outcomes for students, schools, and communities



Every Student.
Every Opportunity.
Every Day.

Improvements to School Safety

- Additional handheld radios from the Sheriff's Office
- High school arrival access points
- Fire alarm replacements
- 'Stop the Prop'
- Increased 'Raptor' utilization
- School Security Council Tabletops



Improvements to Infrastructure

- Fauquier Track
- Fauquier & Liberty Tennis Courts
- 9 brand new school buses
- [Taylor Middle School renovation progress](#)



2026 ADOPTED BUDGET

The fiscal year (FY) 2026 Adopted Budget was developed around the FCPS1 framework. Key priorities included contributions to the Joint Health Care Fund, supporting workforce investment with a 3.66% across-the-board salary increase and addressing mandated requirements, academic and student needs and other critical obligations.

INVESTING IN OUR TEACHERS



The Commitment Continues

Following two consecutive years of salary increases, the School Board approved a 6% salary increase for FY 2027.

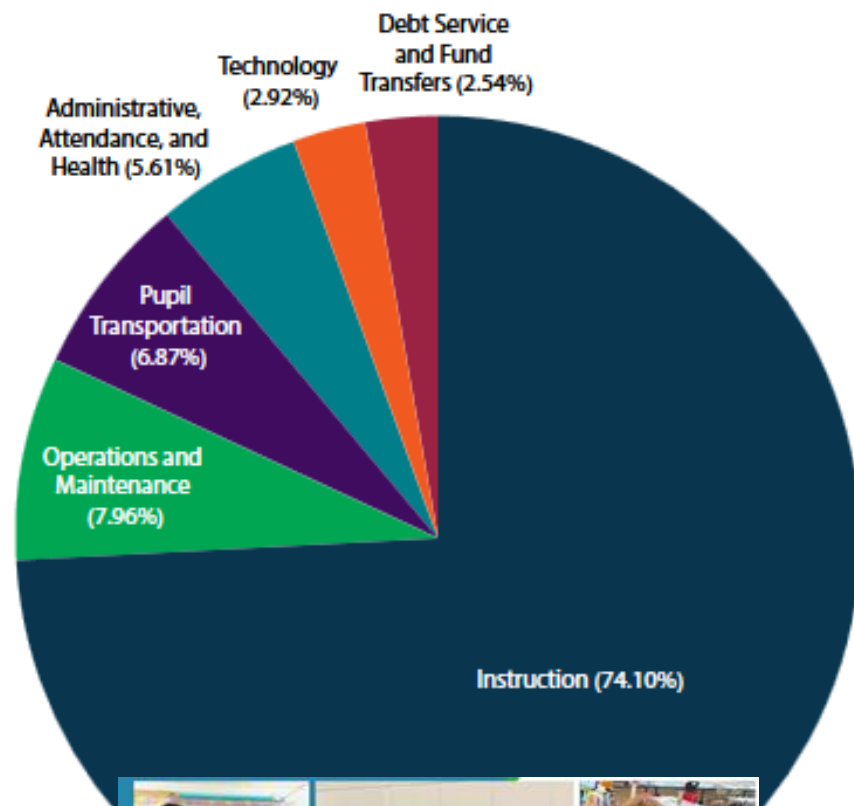
Budget Reflections:

- \$1 High School Home Games for Students.
- \$3.55M for Health Insurance.
- \$417K for Nutrition Fund & CEP Partnership with PATH Foundation.
- \$452K for Sped and Student Supports.
- \$130K for CTE Courses at Laurel Ridge.
- \$720K for New Buses.
- Minimum 4% for Non-Teaching Staff.

County Transfer	\$ 106,050,91
Federal Revenue	\$ 7,767,91
Local Revenue	\$ 5,821,50
Other	\$ 226,00
State Revenue	\$ 72,241,324
Transfers	\$ 4,498,704

GRAND TOTAL

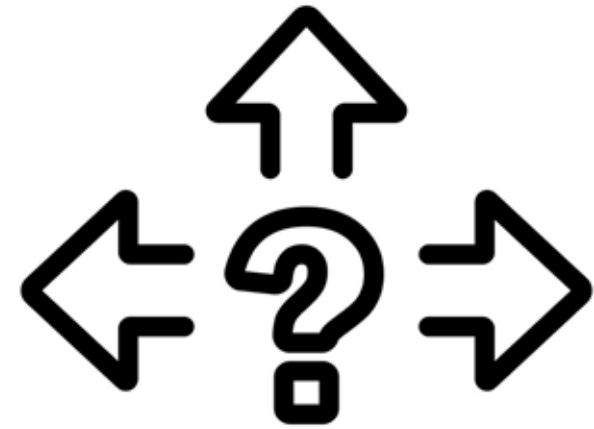
\$ 196,606,458



<https://www.fcps1.org/about-us/departments/business-and-planning/budget/budget-2027>

Future Considerations

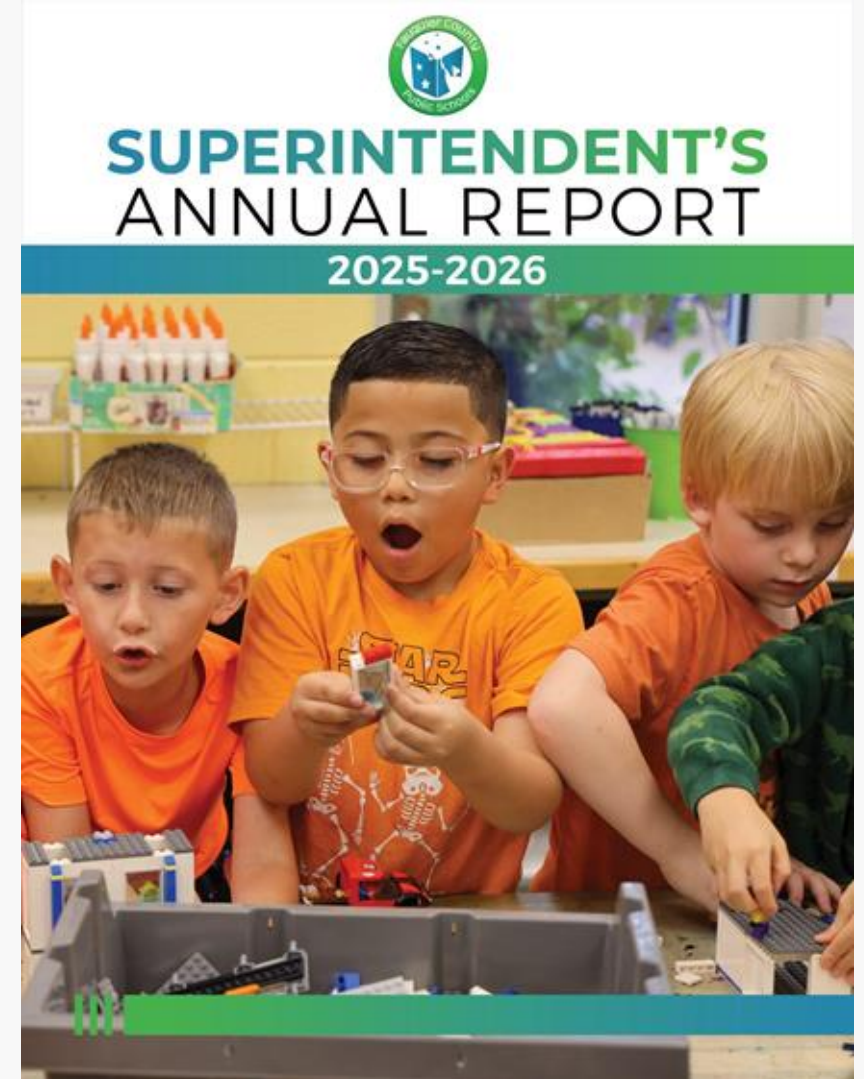
- Micro-rezoning School Year 2028-29
- Repurposing of Current Middle School for Alternative Programming and Central Offices
- FY 2028 Budget Priorities
 - Middle School Flag Football
 - School Nutrition
 - Employee Compensation



Superintendent's Annual Report

A look at the accomplishments, progress, and priorities shaping FCPS1. The annual report highlights our students, staff, schools, and community, along with key data and achievements from the past year.

View the full report:
www.fcps1.org/sar





Roundtable