

## Pupil Transportation

### DESCRIPTION

The School Transportation Program plays a vital role in the education process in the County. In addition to providing transportation to and from school, buses also

transport students to extra curricular activities such as educational field trips, band and choral concerts, and sporting events.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

	<b>FY06 Budget</b>	<b>FY06 Actual</b>	<b>FY07 Budget</b>	<b>FY08 Budget</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>
Pupil Transportation:					
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	\$4,582,662	\$ 5,028,554	\$ 5,728,325	\$ 5,965,700	4.1%
Operating Expenditures	1,965,118	2,138,033	2,248,160	2,615,729	16.4%
Capital Outlay	26,798	8,869	71,500	-	-100.0%
<b>TOTAL, Pupil Transportation</b>	<b>\$6,574,578</b>	<b>\$ 7,175,456</b>	<b>\$ 8,047,985</b>	<b>\$ 8,581,429</b>	<b>6.6%</b>
Full-time Positions	269	272	287	287	0.0%
Part-time Positions	1	1	1	1	0.0%
Full-time Equivalents	269.9	272.9	287.9	287.9	0.0%

### BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The budget includes additional funding is also provided for driver physicals and increased fuel costs.

### GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- To maintain a safe and efficient transportation system;
- To provide defensive driving, first aid classes, and discipline training as part of the driver training program;
- To deploy traffic guards where applicable to ensure the safety of students and buses entering and leaving the schools.

### SERVICE LEVELS

The Transportation Department has achieved many goals this past year in an effort to maintain a safe and efficient transportation system. Transportation administrators meet monthly with the Bus Driver Advisory Committee to promote safety and to establish better lines of communication among drivers and school personnel.

Defensive driving and first aid classes were conducted as a part of the driver training program. During the past year, traffic guards ensured the safety of students and buses

entering and leaving three secondary schools, and some elementary schools to ensure the safety of parents and students. In addition, drivers received assertive discipline training as part of the driver training program. To further assist drivers with maintaining discipline, all buses are purchased with the video/audio bus watch system. To enhance the safety of students being transported, more than sixty-five buses were equipped with two way radios. Drivers also participated in the annual School Bus Road-eo. Hanover, Henrico,

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Chesterfield, and Richmond each sent six drivers to the Road-ee for the central region. Hanover County placed one driver in the State competition. School bus drivers receive a safe driving award each year for driving the entire year without a preventable accident. A Safe Driving Banquet was held for all drivers.

	<b>FY02</b>	<b>FY03</b>	<b>FY04</b>	<b>FY05</b>	<b>FY06</b>	<b>FY07</b>
Buses	225	227	235	237	240	251
No.of Students Transported/Day	15,804	16,262	16,567	16,717	16,650	16,839
Extra Curricular Trips	2,122	2,271	2,303	2,299	2,347	2,400
Handicapped Buses	18	19	19	19	27	23
Handicapped Vehicles	27	25	28	26	22	17
Miles traveled *	2	2	2	2	3	3

\*in millions

FY07 is estimated