

**MCCPTA Committee Work Plan 2009-10**  
**Committee: Operating Budget**

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**Vision**

*How does the work of your committee support the objects and mission of PTA and the focus of MCCPTA?*

The MCPS Operating Budget represents the translation of MCPS priorities into action, by allocating funds across programs and functions. The vision of the Operating Budget Committee is that all parents would become well-informed and active partners in the budget process. It is the job of the committee to make this vision happen.

**Goals**

*Give a summary statement of your committee's goals for this year. Consider how you will identify attainment.*

Under the direction and approval of MCCPTA, the committee will address the following:

- 1) Understand MCPS and Montgomery County Operating Budget needs and resources;
- 2) Promote knowledge and understanding of the MCPS operating budget and the budget process among parents;
- 3) Assist MCPS officials in understanding parent budget priorities;
- 4) Assist MCCPTA and local PTAs in developing advocacy positions and strategies for MCPS, County, and State.

**Action Steps**

*What does your committee plan to do to achieve these goals? Include plan s f o r meetings, mailings, etc., interaction with other MCCPTA committees, MCPS staff y o u may work with and in what capacity, other county, state or federal agencies, organizations you may contact as part of your action plan.*

Under the direction and approval of MCCPTA, the committee will implement the following:

- 1) Solicit input regarding Operating Budget requirements from local PTAs;
- 2) Meet with MCPS officials to learn about MCPS budget planning and resources;
- 3) Provide information about the MCPS budget to MCCPTA officers and Delegates;
- 4) Update MCCPTA Operating Budget Compact and priorities for approval by the Delegates' Assembly;
- 5) Participate in MCCPTA outreach initiatives with county and state officials;

- 6) Assist MCCPTA President and cluster coordinators with the development of Operating Budget Testimony, including through hosting an MCCPTA Operating Budget writing workshop;
- 7) Host an Operating Budget Forum for County officials and the Delegates' Assembly;
- 8) Monitor progress of MCPS operating budget through County legislative process, and keep parents informed of advocacy needs.

**Expenses**

\$250 ICB Rental Fees for Operating Budget workshop and refreshments.