



STATISTICAL REPORT

FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA

REPORT OF DROPOUTS 1998-99

Purpose

The data in this report were collected as part of the Report of Dropouts 1998-99 School Year Through Summer 1999, which is required by the Virginia Department of Education. This report provides information to support management of Fairfax County Public Schools.

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INTRODUCTION

The Virginia Department of Education defines a dropout as a student who leaves school for any reason other than promotion, transfer to another school, death, or graduation, and fails to return to school. For the purposes of this report, alternative education includes adult students as well as secondary students who require an alternative education program.

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REPORTING METHODOLOGY OVERVIEW

Definition of a Dropout and Dropout Rate

Dropouts are identified from the student population that includes all students in grades 7 through 12; elementary special education students in self-contained classrooms who were 12 years of age or older as of January 1, 1999; and adult education students who were less than 20 years of age as of August 1, 1998. The reporting requirement includes regular-term dropouts and summer dropouts.

A **regular-term dropout** is a student who leaves school for any reason other than promotion, transfer to another school, death, or graduation, and fails to return to school by the last day of the regular school year. Students who meet these criteria but successfully complete summer school are not counted as regular-term dropouts.

A **summer dropout** is a student who is in membership on the last day of the regular school year, but fails to return to school by October 31 of the following school year for any reason other than transfer to another school, death, or graduation. A regular-term dropout who successfully completes summer school but fails to return to school by October 31 for any reason other than transfer to another school, death, or graduation is also reported as a summer dropout.

The dropout rate is the number of dropouts (regular-term and summer) expressed as a percentage of the sum of the end-of-year membership and the regular-term dropouts.

Dropout Reasons

The Virginia Department of Education defines seven dropout reasons.

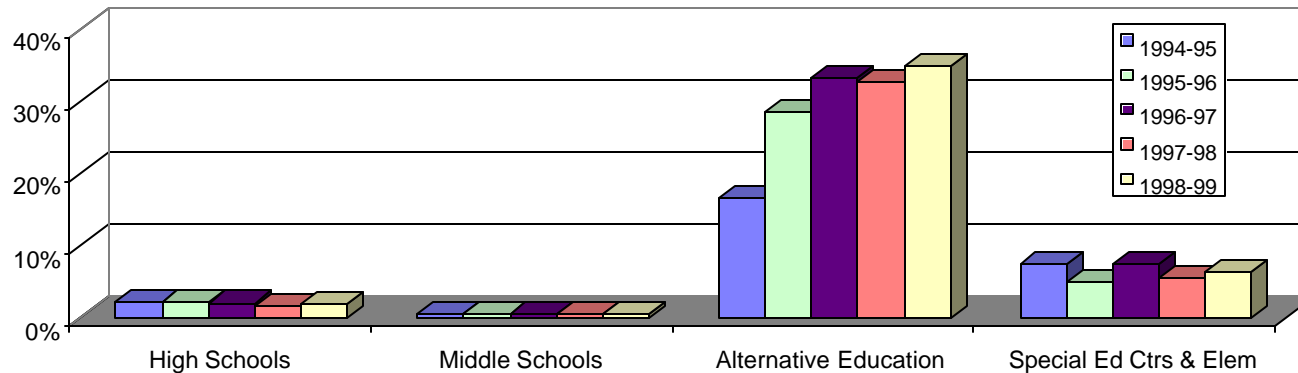
<i>Dropout Reasons</i>	<i>Description</i>
Achievement Problems	Low achievement, low motivation, low interest, etc.
Behavioral Difficulties	Suspension or expulsion, incarceration, runaway, truancy, poor relationships with peers or adults, etc.
Employment	Took a job, joined armed forces, entered Job Corps or similar program, etc.
Family	Pregnancy, parenthood, marriage, needed at home, etc.
Financial Hardship	Extreme poverty, working to support self or family, etc.
Health Problems	Physical or mental illness, injury, substance abuse, etc.
Moved, Current Status Unknown	No longer resides in the area <u>and</u> current status is unknown after appropriate investigation by the attendance officer.

SUMMARY

- Fairfax County Public Schools reported 1,798 dropouts during the 1998-99 dropout period. This represents 2.6 percent of 1998-99 year-end membership plus 1998-99 regular-term dropouts. See Table I.
- The dropout rate increased 0.1 percentage points from last year, from 2.5 percent in 1997-98 to 2.6 percent in 1998-99. See Table IV.
- Figure 1 displays a five-year comparison of dropout rates by program for 1994-95 through 1998-99.

Figure 1

County Dropout Rates

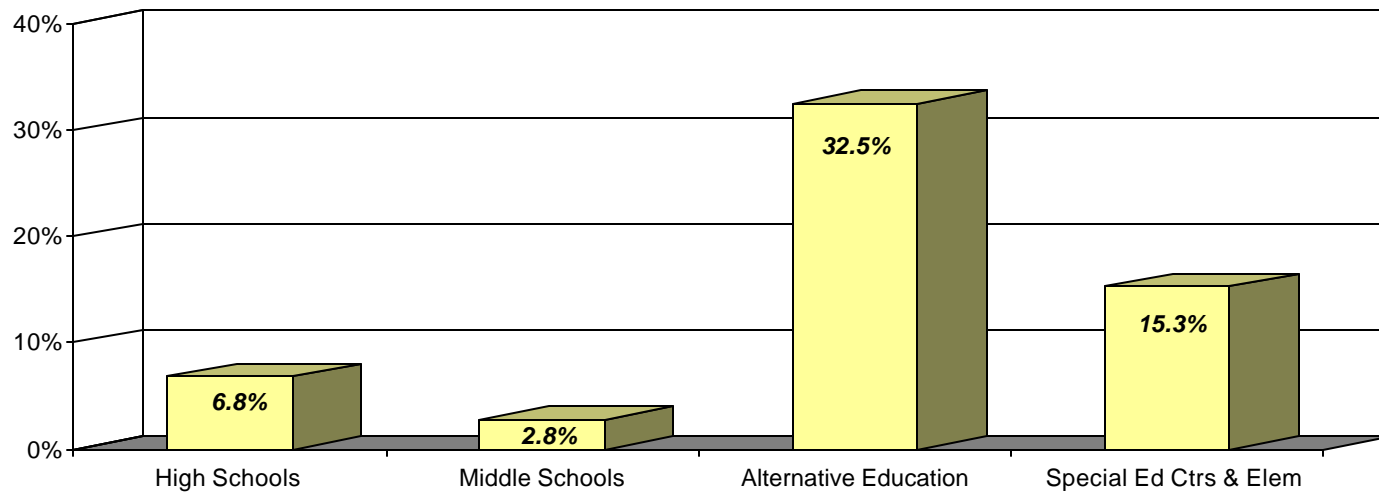


	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
High Schools	2.1%	2.1%	2.0%	1.7%	1.9%
Middle Schools	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Alternative Education Centers	16.5%	28.3%	33.2%	32.6%	34.7%
Special Ed Ctrs & Elem	7.5%	4.9%	7.4%	5.5%	6.3%
Total	2.3%	2.5%	2.8%	2.5%	2.6%

- Dropout rates by ethnic categories are as follows: American Indian/Alaskan Native (4.9%); Asian/Pacific Islander (2.4%); Black (4.1%), Hispanic (6.5%); Multiracial (2.1%); Undesignated (0.0%); White (1.7%). See Table II.
- The female dropout rate (2.1%) is 1.0 percentage points lower than the male dropout rate (3.1%). See Table III.
- The majority of dropouts (77.5%) discontinue school due to achievement problems, employment, and behavioral difficulties. See Table V.
- Figure 2 displays the percentage of 1998-99 Fairfax County Public School dropouts who were dropouts in previous years. See Table XI.

Figure 2

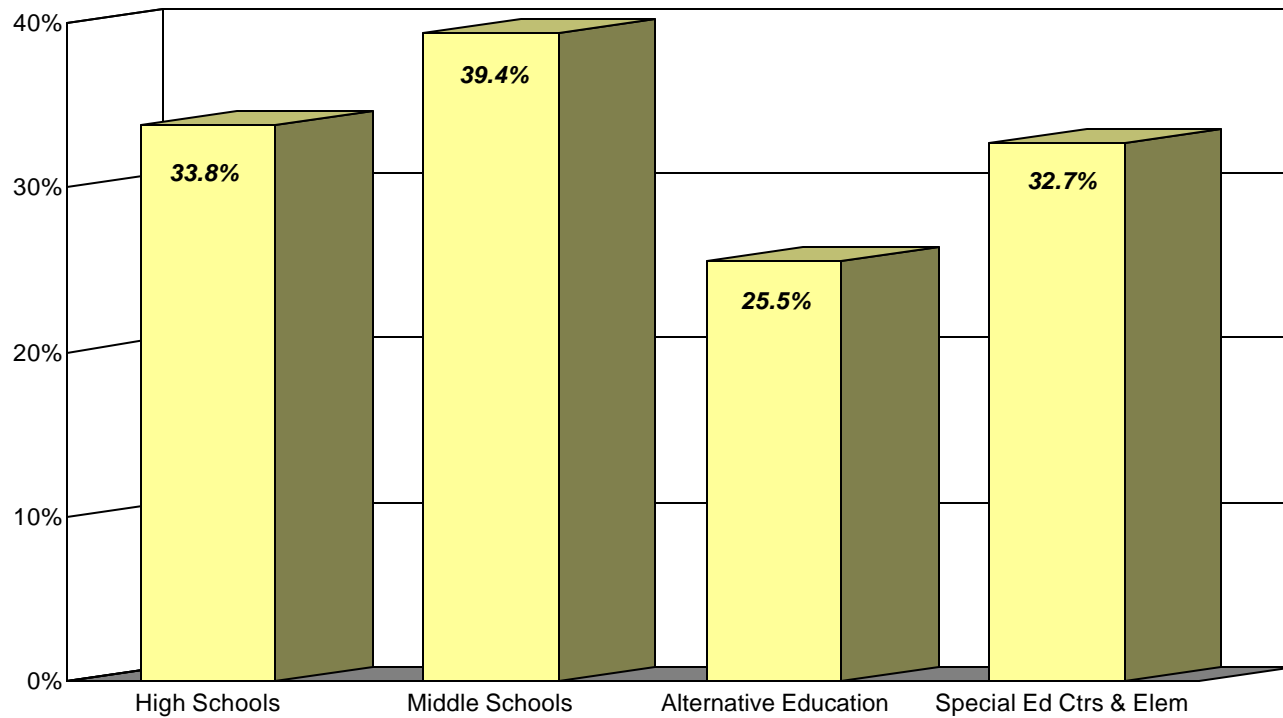
Percentage of 1998-99 Dropouts Who Were Dropouts in Previous Years



- Figure 3 displays the percentage of 1997-98 Fairfax County Public School dropouts who returned to school for 1998-99. Of the 727 high school dropouts in 1997-98, 33.8 percent (246 students) returned to school in the following year. See Table XII.

Figure 3

Percentage of 1997-98 Dropouts Who Returned in 1998-99



**TABLE I
DROPOUTS BY PROGRAM**

	Regular-Term		Summer		Total		98-99 Year-End Membership Plus Regular-Term Dropouts
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
High Schools	603	1.4%	225	0.5%	828	1.9%	43,181
Middle Schools	72	0.3%	37	0.2%	109	0.5%	23,013
Alternative Education Centers	618	26.8%	184	8.0%	802	34.7%	2,309
Special Education Centers & Elementary	50	5.3%	9	1.0%	59	6.3%	941
TOTAL	1,343	1.9%	455	0.7%	1,798	2.6%	69,444

**TABLE II
DROPOUTS BY PROGRAM AND ETHNIC GROUP**

	American Indian / Alaskan			Asian / Pacific Islander			Black			Hispanic			Multiracial			Undesignated			White			Total		
	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*
High Schools	5	4.6%	108	119	1.7%	6,837	140	3.0%	4,599	205	5.1%	4,030	7	2.2%	325	0	0.0%	48	352	1.3%	27,234	828	1.9%	43,181
Middle Schools	0	0.0%	66	14	0.4%	3,308	29	1.1%	2,617	27	1.2%	2,275	3	1.2%	255	0	0.0%	30	36	0.2%	14,462	109	0.5%	23,013
Alternative Education Centers	3	42.9%	7	120	30.8%	390	139	36.6%	380	231	32.1%	720	3	12.5%	24	0	0.0%	1	306	38.9%	787	802	34.7%	2,309
Special Education Centers & Elementary	1	33.3%	3	2	2.6%	77	12	6.5%	186	1	1.1%	90	0	0.0%	9	0	0.0%	5	43	7.5%	571	59	6.3%	941
TOTAL	9	4.9%	184	255	2.4%	10,612	320	4.1%	7,782	464	6.5%	7,115	13	2.1%	613	0	0.0%	84	737	1.7%	43,054	1,798	2.6%	69,444

*Year-End Membership plus Regular-Term Dropouts

**TABLE III
DROPOUTS BY PROGRAM AND GENDER**

	Female			Male			Total		
	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*
High Schools	331	1.6%	21,169	497	2.3%	22,012	828	1.9%	43,181
Middle Schools	41	0.4%	11,090	68	0.6%	11,923	109	0.5%	23,013
Alternative Education Centers	301	31.2%	966	501	37.3%	1,343	802	34.7%	2,309
Special Education Centers & Elementary	15	4.8%	315	44	7.0%	626	59	6.3%	941
TOTAL	688	2.1%	33,540	1,110	3.1%	35,904	1,798	2.6%	69,444

*Year-End Membership plus Regular-Term Dropouts

**TABLE IV
FIVE-YEAR COMPARISON OF DROPOUTS BY PROGRAM**

	1994-95 Dropouts			1995-96 Dropouts			1996-97 Dropouts			1997-98 Dropouts			1998-99 Dropouts		
	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*
High Schools	835	2.1%	39,427	824	2.1%	40,111	829	2.0%	41,099	727	1.7%	41,961	828	1.9%	43,181
Middle Schools	103	0.5%	21,375	99	0.5%	21,779	103	0.5%	21,958	109	0.5%	22,611	109	0.5%	23,013
Alternative Education Centers	472	16.5%	2,854	688	28.3%	2,428	856	33.2%	2,576	816	32.6%	2,502	802	34.7%	2,309
Special Education Centers & Elementary	67	7.5%	897	43	4.9%	870	69	7.4%	929	49	5.5%	885	59	6.3%	941
TOTAL	1,477	2.3%	64,553	1,654	2.5%	65,188	1,857	2.8%	66,562	1,701	2.5%	67,959	1,798	2.6%	69,444

*Year-End Membership plus Regular-Term Dropouts

**TABLE V
DROPOUTS BY REASON AND PROGRAM**

	High Schools		Middle Schools		Alternative Education Centers		Special Education Centers & Elementary		Total	
	No.	%*	No.	%*	No.	%*	No.	%*	No.	%*
Achievement Problems	362	43.7%	3	2.8%	358	44.6%	7	11.9%	730	40.6%
Employment	111	13.4%	2	1.8%	243	30.3%	5	8.5%	361	20.1%
Behavioral Difficulties	160	19.3%	58	53.2%	65	8.1%	19	32.2%	302	16.8%
Moved, Status Unknown	124	15.0%	33	30.3%	85	10.6%	9	15.3%	251	14.0%
Family	41	5.0%	7	6.4%	25	3.1%	4	6.8%	77	4.3%
Health Problems	28	3.4%	6	5.5%	9	1.1%	15	25.4%	58	3.2%
Financial Hardships	2	0.2%	0	0.0%	17	2.1%	0	0.0%	19	1.1%
TOTAL	828		109		802		59		1,798	

*Percentage of Total Dropouts for Each Program

**TABLE VI
DROPOUTS BY REASON AND ETHNIC GROUP**

	American Indian / Alaskan		Asian / Pacific Islander		Black		Hispanic		Multiracial		Undesignated		White		Total	
	No.	%*	No.	%*	No.	%*	No.	%*	No.	%*	No.	%*	No.	%*	No.	%*
Achievement Problems	5	55.6%	107	42.0%	106	33.1%	176	37.9%	4	30.8%	0	-	332	45.0%	730	40.6%
Employment	1	11.1%	50	19.6%	77	24.1%	118	25.4%	0	0.0%	0	-	115	15.6%	361	20.1%
Behavioral Difficulties	2	22.2%	35	13.7%	71	22.2%	52	11.2%	4	30.8%	0	-	138	18.7%	302	16.8%
Moved, Status Unknown	0	0.0%	43	16.9%	46	14.4%	68	14.7%	4	30.8%	0	-	90	12.2%	251	14.0%
Family	1	11.1%	13	5.1%	11	3.4%	30	6.5%	1	7.7%	0	-	21	2.8%	77	4.3%
Health Problems	0	0.0%	3	1.2%	5	1.6%	12	2.6%	0	0.0%	0	-	38	5.2%	58	3.2%
Financial Hardship	0	0.0%	4	1.6%	4	1.3%	8	1.7%	0	0.0%	0	-	3	0.4%	19	1.1%
TOTAL	9		255		320		464		13		0		737		1,798	

*Percentage of Total Dropouts for Each Ethnic Group

**TABLE VII
DROPOUTS BY REASON AND GENDER**

	Female		Male		Total	
	Number	%*	Number	%*	Number	%*
Achievement Problems	258	37.5%	472	42.5%	730	40.6%
Employment	134	19.5%	227	20.5%	361	20.1%
Behavioral Difficulties	83	12.1%	219	19.7%	302	16.8%
Moved, Status Unknown	116	16.9%	135	12.2%	251	14.0%
Family	53	7.7%	24	2.2%	77	4.3%
Health Problems	34	4.9%	24	2.2%	58	3.2%
Financial Hardship	10	1.5%	9	0.8%	19	1.1%
TOTAL	688		1,110		1,798	

*Percentage of Total Dropouts for Each Gender

**TABLE VIII
DROPOUTS BY SCHOOL AND ETHNIC GROUP
HIGH SCHOOLS**

	American Indian / Alaskan			Asian / Pacific Islander			Black			Hispanic			Multiracial			Undesignated			White			Total		
	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*
Annandale	0	0.0%	4	12	2.4%	501	15	4.6%	325	18	5.4%	335	0	0.0%	13	0	0.0%	3	15	1.6%	930	60	2.8%	2,111
Centreville	0	0.0%	11	5	1.4%	366	4	1.5%	273	5	3.0%	164	1	4.2%	24	0	0	0	22	1.2%	1,826	37	1.4%	2,664
Chantilly	1	9.1%	11	8	2.1%	376	8	4.4%	181	10	7.5%	134	0	0.0%	14	0	0	0	33	1.6%	2,010	60	2.2%	2,726
Edison	0	0.0%	5	5	2.6%	196	7	2.5%	280	7	2.8%	247	0	0.0%	7	0	0	0	17	2.5%	672	36	2.6%	1,407
Fairfax	0	0.0%	7	7	1.9%	362	6	4.2%	142	10	5.7%	176	0	0.0%	9	0	0	0	18	1.7%	1,083	41	2.3%	1,779
Falls Church	0	0.0%	4	9	2.5%	363	3	2.3%	132	25	7.4%	336	0	0.0%	6	0	0	0	10	1.8%	558	47	3.4%	1,399
Hayfield	0	0.0%	3	7	2.8%	248	5	1.1%	451	6	4.6%	130	0	0.0%	8	0	0.0%	1	19	1.6%	1,185	37	1.8%	2,026
Herndon	0	0.0%	6	3	1.0%	292	7	2.8%	250	16	7.4%	217	0	0.0%	17	0	0	0	18	1.2%	1,481	44	1.9%	2,263
Jefferson Sci/Tech	0	0.0%	2	0	0.0%	309	0	0.0%	66	0	0.0%	83	0	0.0%	14	0	0.0%	3	1	0.1%	1,164	1	0.1%	1,641
Lake Braddock	0	0.0%	6	2	0.4%	446	0	0.0%	149	5	2.8%	180	0	0.0%	9	0	0.0%	1	6	0.3%	1,757	13	0.5%	2,548
Langley	0	0.0%	3	2	0.8%	265	0	0.0%	25	0	0.0%	41	1	9.1%	11	0	0	0	2	0.2%	1,270	5	0.3%	1,615
Lee	1	20.0%	5	12	2.8%	431	6	2.7%	219	11	6.0%	184	0	0.0%	17	0	0	0	14	1.6%	892	44	2.5%	1,748
Madison	0		0	2	1.2%	165	1	2.2%	45	4	5.2%	77	1	4.8%	21	0	0.0%	1	13	1.0%	1,278	21	1.3%	1,587
Marshall	0	0.0%	3	9	4.2%	212	2	2.5%	79	11	6.8%	162	0	0.0%	13	0	0	0	12	1.9%	648	34	3.0%	1,117
McLean	0		0	3	1.1%	277	0	0.0%	69	4	3.2%	126	0	0.0%	9	0	0.0%	2	5	0.5%	1,042	12	0.8%	1,525
Mount Vernon	1	16.7%	6	3	2.4%	125	24	4.2%	575	9	4.2%	212	0	0.0%	15	0	0.0%	5	20	3.3%	608	57	3.7%	1,546
Oakton	0	0.0%	1	7	2.1%	336	3	2.0%	148	6	4.8%	126	0	0.0%	22	0	0.0%	2	19	1.1%	1,794	35	1.4%	2,429
Robinson	0	0.0%	4	2	0.6%	356	8	5.3%	151	5	3.7%	135	0	0.0%	28	0	0.0%	11	17	0.9%	1,959	32	1.2%	2,644
South Lakes	0	0.0%	5	6	3.6%	165	11	3.4%	319	14	6.8%	207	2	9.5%	21	0	0.0%	5	20	2.2%	899	53	3.3%	1,621
Stuart	0	0.0%	5	8	2.5%	322	13	7.4%	175	30	7.0%	430	0	0.0%	7	0	0.0%	4	15	3.5%	427	66	4.8%	1,370
West Potomac	0	0.0%	7	5	3.2%	155	14	3.7%	374	9	5.8%	155	1	14.3%	7	0	0.0%	4	27	3.2%	854	56	3.6%	1,556
West Springfield	1	14.3%	7	2	0.7%	299	3	2.3%	128	0	0.0%	115	0	0.0%	23	0	0.0%	5	19	1.2%	1,599	25	1.1%	2,176
Woodson	1	33.3%	3	0	0.0%	270	0	0.0%	43	0	0.0%	58	1	10.0%	10	0	0.0%	1	10	0.8%	1,298	12	0.7%	1,683
TOTAL	5	4.6%	108	119	1.7%	6837	140	3.0%	4,599	205	5.1%	4,030	7	2.2%	325	0	0.0%	48	352	1.3%	27,234	828	1.9%	43,181

*Year-End Membership plus Regular-Term Dropouts

**TABLE VIII
DROPOUTS BY SCHOOL AND ETHNIC GROUP
MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

	American Indian / Alaskan			Asian / Pacific Islander			Black			Hispanic			Multiracial			Undesignated			White			Total		
	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*
Carson	0		0	0	0.0%	98	0	0.0%	35	0	0.0%	24	0	0.0%	12	0		0	0	0.0%	664	0	0.0%	833
Cooper	0	0.0%	2	0	0.0%	127	0	0.0%	16	1	5.9%	17	0	0.0%	5	0		0	0	0.0%	691	1	0.1%	858
Franklin	0	0.0%	3	1	1.3%	77	0	0.0%	31	0	0.0%	26	0	0.0%	8	0		0	1	0.2%	636	2	0.3%	781
Frost	0	0.0%	3	0	0.0%	148	0	0.0%	28	0	0.0%	41	1	10.0%	10	0		0	0	0.0%	709	1	0.1%	939
Glasgow	0	0.0%	3	1	0.7%	143	3	3.0%	100	3	1.4%	210	0	0.0%	2	0	0.0%	1	1	0.5%	215	8	1.2%	674
Hayfield	0	0.0%	2	0	0.0%	117	2	0.9%	227	1	1.3%	78	0	0.0%	18	0	0.0%	5	1	0.1%	712	4	0.3%	1,159
Herndon	0	0.0%	11	1	0.7%	147	2	1.4%	145	0	0.0%	145	0	0.0%	9	0	0.0%	5	3	0.4%	812	6	0.5%	1,274
Holmes	0	0.0%	1	3	2.6%	116	4	2.7%	148	1	0.9%	112	0	0.0%	6	0	0.0%	1	2	0.9%	233	10	1.6%	617
Hughes	0		0	0	0.0%	118	0	0.0%	172	2	1.7%	119	0	0.0%	9	0	0.0%	2	2	0.4%	507	4	0.4%	927
Irving	0	0.0%	4	0	0.0%	167	0	0.0%	78	0	0.0%	69	0	0.0%	21	0	0.0%	1	1	0.1%	917	1	0.1%	1,257
Jackson	0	0.0%	4	1	0.5%	201	0	0.0%	92	4	1.8%	221	0	0.0%	21	0	0.0%	5	0	0.0%	398	5	0.5%	942
Key	0		0	2	1.1%	182	3	2.6%	116	1	0.9%	112	0	0.0%	7	0		0	2	0.6%	363	8	1.0%	780
Kilmer	0		0	1	0.9%	113	0	0.0%	50	1	1.1%	91	0	0.0%	6	0		0	2	0.6%	359	4	0.6%	619
Lake Braddock	0	0.0%	4	0	0.0%	229	0	0.0%	58	1	1.1%	88	0	0.0%	17	0	0.0%	1	0	0.0%	962	1	0.1%	1,359
Lanier	0	0.0%	4	0	0.0%	153	0	0.0%	97	0	0.0%	86	0	0.0%	6	0		0	1	0.2%	564	1	0.1%	910
Longfellow	0	0.0%	2	0	0.0%	185	0	0.0%	24	0	0.0%	71	1	50.0%	2	0	0.0%	3	1	0.1%	725	2	0.2%	1,012
Poe	0	0.0%	5	0	0.0%	154	0	0.0%	56	3	2.2%	135	0	0.0%	3	0		0	2	0.7%	289	5	0.8%	642
Robinson	0	0.0%	2	0	0.0%	155	3	5.2%	58	0	0.0%	71	0	0.0%	18	0	0.0%	4	2	0.2%	1,028	5	0.4%	1,336
Rocky Run	0	0.0%	2	1	0.6%	179	0	0.0%	69	0	0.0%	56	0	0.0%	12	0		0	2	0.2%	957	3	0.2%	1,275
Sandburg	0	0.0%	4	2	2.3%	86	6	2.2%	279	1	0.7%	134	0	0.0%	8	0		0	6	1.1%	541	15	1.4%	1,052
Stone	0	0.0%	5	0	0.0%	179	3	2.2%	139	2	2.0%	101	0	0.0%	11	0		0	0	0.0%	818	5	0.4%	1,253
Thoreau	0	0.0%	1	0	0.0%	57	0	0.0%	42	0	0.0%	30	0	0.0%	9	0	0.0%	1	0	0.0%	575	0	0.0%	715
Twain	0	0.0%	2	0	0.0%	119	0	0.0%	177	5	3.8%	132	0	0.0%	16	0		0	6	1.2%	482	11	1.2%	928
Whitman	0	0.0%	2	1	1.7%	58	3	0.8%	380	1	0.9%	106	1	5.3%	19	0	0.0%	1	1	0.3%	305	7	0.8%	871
TOTAL	0	0.0%	66	14	0.4%	3,308	29	1.1%	2,617	27	1.2%	2,275	3	1.2%	255	0	0.0%	30	36	0.2%	14,462	109	0.5%	23,013

*Year-End Membership plus Regular-Term Dropouts

**TABLE IX
DROPOUTS BY SCHOOL AND GENDER
HIGH SCHOOLS**

	Female			Male			Total		
	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*
Annandale	27	2.6%	1,052	33	3.1%	1,059	60	2.8%	2,111
Centreville	18	1.3%	1,358	19	1.5%	1,306	37	1.4%	2,664
Chantilly	26	2.0%	1,328	34	2.4%	1,398	60	2.2%	2,726
Edison	18	2.7%	677	18	2.5%	730	36	2.6%	1,407
Fairfax	15	1.7%	879	26	2.9%	900	41	2.3%	1,779
Falls Church	21	2.9%	728	26	3.9%	671	47	3.4%	1,399
Hayfield	17	1.7%	1,025	20	2.0%	1,001	37	1.8%	2,026
Herndon	19	1.7%	1,120	25	2.2%	1,143	44	1.9%	2,263
Jefferson Sci/Tech	0	0.0%	746	1	0.1%	895	1	0.1%	1,641
Lake Braddock	4	0.3%	1,251	9	0.7%	1,297	13	0.5%	2,548
Langley	2	0.3%	785	3	0.4%	830	5	0.3%	1,615
Lee	19	2.3%	826	25	2.7%	922	44	2.5%	1,748
Madison	6	0.8%	796	15	1.9%	791	21	1.3%	1,587
Marshall	15	2.7%	557	19	3.4%	560	34	3.0%	1,117
McLean	4	0.5%	729	8	1.0%	796	12	0.8%	1,525
Mount Vernon	24	2.9%	834	33	4.6%	712	57	3.7%	1,546
Oakton	7	0.6%	1,154	28	2.2%	1,275	35	1.4%	2,429
Robinson	13	1.0%	1,252	19	1.4%	1,392	32	1.2%	2,644
South Lakes	25	3.2%	783	28	3.3%	838	53	3.3%	1,621
Stuart	22	3.5%	637	44	6.0%	733	66	4.8%	1,370
West Potomac	17	2.2%	778	39	5.0%	778	56	3.6%	1,556
West Springfield	10	0.9%	1,089	15	1.4%	1,087	25	1.1%	2,176
Woodson	2	0.3%	785	10	1.1%	898	12	0.7%	1,683
TOTAL	331	1.6%	21,169	497	2.3%	22,012	828	1.9%	43,181

*Year-End Membership plus Regular-Term Dropouts

**TABLE IX
DROPOUTS BY SCHOOL AND GENDER
MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

	Female			Male			Total		
	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*
Carson	0	0.0%	421	0	0.0%	412	0	0.0%	833
Cooper	1	0.3%	385	0	0.0%	473	1	0.1%	858
Franklin	1	0.3%	396	1	0.3%	385	2	0.3%	781
Frost	1	0.2%	438	0	0.0%	501	1	0.1%	939
Glasgow	5	1.6%	316	3	0.8%	358	8	1.2%	674
Hayfield	2	0.4%	562	2	0.3%	597	4	0.3%	1,159
Herndon	4	0.7%	582	2	0.3%	692	6	0.5%	1,274
Holmes	5	1.7%	299	5	1.6%	318	10	1.6%	617
Hughes	1	0.2%	451	3	0.6%	476	4	0.4%	927
Irving	0	0.0%	589	1	0.1%	668	1	0.1%	1,257
Jackson	0	0.0%	465	5	1.0%	477	5	0.5%	942
Key	2	0.6%	360	6	1.4%	420	8	1.0%	780
Kilmer	1	0.4%	285	3	0.9%	334	4	0.6%	619
Lake Braddock	1	0.2%	656	0	0.0%	703	1	0.1%	1,359
Lanier	0	0.0%	458	1	0.2%	452	1	0.1%	910
Longfellow	0	0.0%	474	2	0.4%	538	2	0.2%	1,012
Poe	2	0.6%	309	3	0.9%	333	5	0.8%	642
Robinson	0	0.0%	654	5	0.7%	682	5	0.4%	1,336
Rocky Run	1	0.2%	642	2	0.3%	633	3	0.2%	1,275
Sandburg	7	1.3%	532	8	1.5%	520	15	1.4%	1,052
Stone	3	0.5%	602	2	0.3%	651	5	0.4%	1,253
Thoreau	0	0.0%	355	0	0.0%	360	0	0.0%	715
Twain	3	0.7%	426	8	1.6%	502	11	1.2%	928
Whitman	1	0.2%	433	6	1.4%	438	7	0.8%	871
TOTAL	41	0.4%	11,090	68	0.6%	11,923	109	0.5%	23,013

*Year-End Membership plus Regular-Term Dropouts

**TABLE X
FIVE-YEAR COMPARISON OF DROPOUTS BY SCHOOL
HIGH SCHOOLS**

	1994-95			1995-96			1996-97			1997-98			1998-99		
	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*
Annandale	61	3.2%	1,930	59	3.1%	1,922	69	3.5%	1,981	64	3.1%	2,061	60	2.8%	2,111
Centreville	41	2.0%	2,084	20	0.9%	2,235	27	1.1%	2,392	53	2.1%	2,549	37	1.4%	2,664
Chantilly	45	1.9%	2,359	44	1.8%	2,410	35	1.4%	2,535	36	1.4%	2,642	60	2.2%	2,726
Edison	52	4.7%	1,100	48	4.1%	1,167	53	4.3%	1,232	35	2.7%	1,298	36	2.6%	1,407
Fairfax	45	2.8%	1,614	36	2.2%	1,652	42	2.5%	1,654	34	2.1%	1,658	41	2.3%	1,779
Falls Church	51	4.0%	1,278	52	3.9%	1,349	41	3.0%	1,358	50	3.5%	1,409	47	3.4%	1,399
Hayfield	36	2.0%	1,798	42	2.3%	1,847	36	1.9%	1,937	37	1.8%	2,045	37	1.8%	2,026
Herndon	54	2.5%	2,185	59	2.6%	2,263	54	2.4%	2,263	49	2.2%	2,245	44	1.9%	2,263
Jefferson Sci/Tech	0	0.0%	1,621	2	0.1%	1,616	2	0.1%	1,635	0	0.0%	1,624	1	0.1%	1,641
Lake Braddock	31	1.3%	2,480	30	1.2%	2,493	35	1.4%	2,536	23	0.9%	2,517	13	0.5%	2,548
Langley	7	0.5%	1,356	3	0.2%	1,450	9	0.6%	1,484	3	0.2%	1,613	5	0.3%	1,615
Lee	40	2.5%	1,630	42	2.6%	1,634	47	2.7%	1,731	42	2.4%	1,748	44	2.5%	1,748
Madison	19	1.3%	1,514	14	0.9%	1,512	20	1.3%	1,526	24	1.6%	1,540	21	1.3%	1,587
Marshall	20	1.9%	1,065	20	1.8%	1,096	23	2.1%	1,094	26	2.4%	1,100	34	3.0%	1,117
McLean	11	0.8%	1,357	15	1.1%	1,383	9	0.6%	1,444	19	1.3%	1,496	12	0.8%	1,525
Mount Vernon	72	5.1%	1,412	83	5.9%	1,395	72	5.1%	1,425	45	3.1%	1,457	57	3.7%	1,546
Oakton	24	1.2%	2,059	31	1.4%	2,145	20	0.9%	2,182	18	0.8%	2,288	35	1.4%	2,429
Robinson	29	1.2%	2,433	30	1.2%	2,436	27	1.1%	2,412	16	0.6%	2,484	32	1.2%	2,644
South Lakes	70	4.0%	1,748	55	3.3%	1,681	51	3.1%	1,638	33	2.1%	1,608	53	3.3%	1,621
Stuart	50	4.1%	1,234	60	4.7%	1,269	65	5.1%	1,279	49	3.8%	1,305	66	4.8%	1,370
West Potomac	41	2.8%	1,468	36	2.5%	1,452	46	3.1%	1,503	43	2.9%	1,497	56	3.6%	1,556
West Springfield	14	0.7%	2,069	28	1.3%	2,075	34	1.6%	2,167	16	0.8%	2,127	25	1.1%	2,176
Woodson	22	1.3%	1,633	15	0.9%	1,629	12	0.7%	1,691	12	0.7%	1,650	12	0.7%	1,683
TOTAL	835	2.1%	39,427	824	2.1%	40,111	829	2.0%	41,099	727	1.7%	41,961	828	1.9%	43,181

*Year-End Membership plus Regular-Term Dropouts

**TABLE X
FIVE-YEAR COMPARISON OF DROPOUTS BY SCHOOL
MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

	1994-95			1995-96			1996-97			1997-98			1998-99		
	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*	No.	Rate	M+D*
Carson													0	0.0%	833
Cooper	3	0.4%	711	0	0.0%	779	1	0.1%	805	3	0.4%	805	1	0.1%	858
Franklin	1	0.1%	1,357	3	0.2%	1,328	1	0.1%	1,332	4	0.3%	1,410	2	0.3%	781
Frost	0	0.0%	906	1	0.1%	863	3	0.4%	852	0	0.0%	934	1	0.1%	939
Glasgow	10	1.7%	606	6	1.0%	622	11	1.7%	646	8	1.2%	670	8	1.2%	674
Hayfield	11	1.0%	1,137	4	0.3%	1,219	7	0.6%	1,214	12	1.0%	1,259	4	0.3%	1,159
Herndon	6	0.5%	1,182	11	0.9%	1,199	7	0.6%	1,248	11	0.9%	1,287	6	0.5%	1,274
Holmes	0	0.0%	552	10	1.7%	599	3	0.5%	629	2	0.3%	635	10	1.6%	617
Hughes	5	0.4%	1,145	8	0.8%	1,046	9	0.9%	1,013	1	0.1%	1,023	4	0.4%	927
Irving	1	0.1%	1,150	1	0.1%	1,201	4	0.3%	1,180	0	0.0%	1,222	1	0.1%	1,257
Jackson	4	0.4%	922	3	0.3%	924	2	0.2%	929	4	0.4%	904	5	0.5%	942
Key	3	0.4%	787	2	0.3%	760	3	0.4%	750	3	0.4%	743	8	1.0%	780
Kilmer	2	0.3%	617	2	0.3%	605	1	0.2%	569	4	0.6%	632	4	0.6%	619
Lake Braddock	4	0.3%	1,383	6	0.4%	1,450	1	0.1%	1,398	3	0.2%	1,329	1	0.1%	1,359
Lanier	2	0.2%	837	1	0.1%	852	5	0.6%	868	1	0.1%	918	1	0.1%	910
Longfellow	1	0.1%	920	3	0.3%	957	8	0.8%	973	10	1.0%	1,024	2	0.2%	1,012
Poe	3	0.5%	593	4	0.7%	606	4	0.7%	584	0	0.0%	625	5	0.8%	642
Robinson	2	0.2%	1,259	2	0.2%	1,226	2	0.2%	1,279	1	0.1%	1,313	5	0.4%	1,336
Rocky Run	1	0.1%	1,155	9	0.8%	1,199	3	0.2%	1,234	2	0.2%	1,263	3	0.2%	1,275
Sandburg	6	0.6%	933	9	0.9%	973	4	0.4%	977	21	2.1%	981	15	1.4%	1,052
Stone	1	0.1%	1,013	4	0.4%	1,097	11	0.9%	1,170	0	0.0%	1,216	5	0.4%	1,253
Thoreau	2	0.3%	732	0	0.0%	727	0	0.0%	727	0	0.0%	730	0	0.0%	715
Twain	26	3.6%	731	3	0.4%	791	7	0.9%	814	14	1.6%	895	11	1.2%	928
Whitman	9	1.2%	747	7	0.9%	756	6	0.8%	767	5	0.6%	793	7	0.8%	871
TOTAL	103	0.5%	21,375	99	0.5%	21,779	103	0.5%	21,958	109	0.5%	22,611	109	0.5%	23,013

*Year-End Membership plus Regular-Term Dropouts

TABLE XI
1998-99 DROPOUTS WHO WERE DROPOUTS IN PREVIOUS YEARS
HIGH SCHOOLS

	Number	Total 98-99 Dropouts	Percentage
Annandale	6	60	10.0%
Centreville	2	37	5.4%
Chantilly	3	60	5.0%
Edison	3	36	8.3%
Fairfax	6	41	14.6%
Falls Church	4	47	8.5%
Hayfield	2	37	5.4%
Herndon	0	44	0.0%
Jefferson Sci/Tech	1	1	100.0%
Lake Braddock	1	13	7.7%
Langley	1	5	20.0%
Lee	3	44	6.8%
Madison	0	21	0.0%
Marshall	1	34	2.9%
McLean	0	12	0.0%
Mount Vernon	5	57	8.8%
Oakton	1	35	2.9%
Robinson	2	32	6.3%
South Lakes	5	53	9.4%
Stuart	4	66	6.1%
West Potomac	5	56	8.9%
West Springfield	0	25	0.0%
Woodson	1	12	8.3%
TOTAL	56	828	6.8%

TABLE XI
1998-99 DROPOUTS WHO WERE DROPOUTS IN PREVIOUS YEARS
MIDDLE SCHOOLS

	Number	Total 98-99 Dropouts	Percentage
Carson	0	0	
Cooper	0	1	0.0%
Franklin	0	2	0.0%
Frost	0	1	0.0%
Glasgow	0	8	0.0%
Hayfield	0	4	0.0%
Herndon	0	6	0.0%
Holmes	1	10	10.0%
Hughes	0	4	0.0%
Irving	0	1	0.0%
Jackson	0	5	0.0%
Key	0	8	0.0%
Kilmer	0	4	0.0%
Lake Braddock	1	1	100.0%
Lanier	0	1	0.0%
Longfellow	0	2	0.0%
Poe	0	5	0.0%
Robinson	1	5	20.0%
Rocky Run	0	3	0.0%
Sandburg	0	15	0.0%
Stone	0	5	0.0%
Thoreau	0	0	
Twain	0	11	0.0%
Whitman	0	7	0.0%
TOTAL	3	109	2.8%

TABLE XI
1998-99 DROPOUTS WHO WERE DROPOUTS IN PREVIOUS YEARS
COUNTY-WIDE PROGRAMS

	Number	Total 98-99 Dropouts	Percentage
Alternative Education Centers	261	802	32.5%
Special Education Centers & Elementary	9	59	15.3%

TABLE XII
1997-98 DROPOUTS WHO RETURNED IN 1998-99
HIGH SCHOOLS

	Number	Total 97-98 Dropouts	Percentage
Annandale	26	64	40.6%
Centreville	24	53	45.3%
Chantilly	17	36	47.2%
Edison	8	35	22.9%
Fairfax	10	34	29.4%
Falls Church	14	50	28.0%
Hayfield	13	37	35.1%
Herndon	11	49	22.4%
Jefferson Sci/Tech	0	0	
Lake Braddock	7	23	30.4%
Langley	2	3	66.7%
Lee	14	42	33.3%
Madison	7	24	29.2%
Marshall	8	26	30.8%
McLean	4	19	21.1%
Mount Vernon	17	45	37.8%
Oakton	4	18	22.2%
Robinson	7	16	43.8%
South Lakes	13	33	39.4%
Stuart	15	49	30.6%
West Potomac	13	43	30.2%
West Springfield	10	16	62.5%
Woodson	2	12	16.7%
TOTAL	246	727	33.8%

TABLE XII
1997-98 DROPOUTS WHO RETURNED IN 1998-99
MIDDLE SCHOOLS

	Number	Total 97-98 Dropouts	Percentage
Carson	n/a	n/a	
Cooper	1	3	33.3%
Franklin	2	4	50.0%
Frost	0	0	
Glasgow	2	8	25.0%
Hayfield	3	12	25.0%
Herndon	4	11	36.4%
Holmes	1	2	50.0%
Hughes	1	1	100.0%
Irving	0	0	
Jackson	4	4	100.0%
Key	1	3	33.3%
Kilmer	0	4	0.0%
Lake Braddock	1	3	33.3%
Lanier	0	1	0.0%
Longfellow	1	10	10.0%
Poe	0	0	
Robinson	1	1	100.0%
Rocky Run	2	2	100.0%
Sandburg	7	21	33.3%
Stone	0	0	
Thoreau	0	0	
Twain	10	14	71.4%
Whitman	2	5	40.0%
TOTAL	43	109	39.4%

TABLE XII
1997-98 DROPOUTS WHO RETURNED IN 1998-99
COUNTY-WIDE PROGRAMS

	Number	Total 97-98 Dropouts	Percentage
Alternative Education Centers	208	816	25.5%
Special Education Centers & Elementary	16	49	32.7%