

Dear Parents,

It is time for those of us who support Full-Day Kindergarten to join forces and present a united front. We need to let the leaders in Fairfax County know that we want Full-Day Kindergarten to be protected as they deliberate on how to generate and how to spread the county revenue throughout the county and within the school system.

How can you “Save the Day for Full-Day Kindergarten?”

First – Be a part of the unified visual presence. Order a t-shirt for \$9.00 that says “Save the Day for Full-Day K.” To order the t-shirt email us at savefulldayk@gmail.com

Second – Wear the t-shirt and come out to the public hearings at Luther Jackson Intermediate School, Monday, January 25th and Tuesday, January 26th. Both public hearings are from 6 – 11 p.m. You don’t need to be there for the entire meeting. Come for a short time, but be seen! **Just in an additional day has been added – Wednesday, January 27th. Call 571-423-1075 if you would like to speak at the meeting.**

Third – Write to all the **members of Fairfax County School Board** to let them know that, regardless of what the County Board of Supervisors decides about money allocations to the school, Full-Day Kindergarten needs to be maintained in all the schools it is currently in. We cannot go backwards. Click here for contacts: <http://www.mantuapta.org/documents/FCPS-Board.pdf>.

Fourth – Write to all of the **members of the County Board of Supervisors**. Let them know how important it is to fully fund Fairfax County Public School’s budget. Help them understand the importance of all students getting a fair and quality education – starting with our youngest. Click here for contacts: www.mantuapta.org/documents/FC-BOS.pdf.

Fifth – When the sign-up is made available for the public hearings at the County Board of Supervisors meeting in April, sign up to speak about the value and importance of fully funding the FCPS’s budget and maintaining Full-Day Kindergarten.

Sixth – Talk to your friends and let them know how important Full-Day Kindergarten is and what will happen if it is cut.

Seventh – If you belong to Facebook, search for Save Full-Day Kindergarten and become a friend.

Eighth – Email us at savefulldayk@gmail.com to be placed on our mailing list for more updates on our campaign to “Save the Day for Full-Day K”

Although Dr. Dale has expressed his desire to preserve Full-Day Kindergarten as it currently exists in Fairfax County Public Schools, it is one of many programs that need the additional \$58.6 million. It is grouped with Elementary Band & Strings and Immersion, to name just two. Both of these programs have very organized and active support. They have large representations at meetings both in the audiences and speaking. It is imperative that the school board sees us in the same light – a large group, passionate and united.

Thank-you,
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Save the Day for Full Day K

