

# SAVE FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN

Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) has proposed to eliminate full-day kindergarten in all non-Title I schools in Fairfax County in the FY2010-2011 budget.

**Help convey to Fairfax County Leaders that this proposal is unacceptable!**

## **Full-day kindergarten**

- is an essential component of the academic foundation provided within the elementary school setting
- results in significantly higher scores on math and reading standardized achievement tests
- results in lower grade retention and drop out rates in later years
- provides children with crucial instructional time to prepare them for the challenging FCPS curriculum
- allows teachers to address state standards more effectively and address the needs of students with differing abilities

**All county residents benefit from the recognized strength of FCPS. Eliminating full-day kindergarten would be a giant step back and would have resounding negative long-term consequences.**

**This is a CALL TO ACTION**  
**to preserve the quality of our schools in Fairfax County.**

## **WHAT YOU CAN DO**

**Sign the “Save Full-Day Kindergarten” Petition, at**

<http://www.thepetitionsite.com/1/Save-Full-Day-Kindergarten>

**Join the Save Full-Day Kindergarten Facebook Page, at**

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fairfax-County-VA/Keep-Full-Day-Kindergarten/179730007247>

**Register for an upcoming FY2011 Budget Community Dialogue, at**

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/survey/fy11communitydialogue.htm>

**Complete the Budget Feedback Form, online at**

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/surveygovernment/budget/>