

Full Day Kindergarten

School Committee
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Full Day Kindergarten – Why?

- 1. More time for developmentally appropriate kindergarten learning opportunities.
- 2. Small group instruction throughout the day.
- 3. All K students will have full-day exposure to learning and enrichment.
- 4. Increased capacity to flexibly schedule the kindergarten day.



Full Day Kindergarten – Why Now?

- 1. More elementary space
- 2. K-5 enrollment leveling off
- 3. Dedicated funding from Mayor



Programmatic Considerations from the Workgroup

NAEYC: National Association for the Education of Young Children

Developmentally Appropriate Practices

Early Childhood Best Practices that integrate physical, academic, social-emotional and behavioral development across the school day.



Developmentally Appropriate Practices

Developmentally appropriate stance, including supporting play as a valuable instructional strategy for our youngest learners.



Programmatic Considerations

- Increased small group learning and instruction
- Increased experiential and hands-on centered based learning
- Attention to pace
- Embedded social-emotional and behavioral skill-building across the day



 What does the kindergarten day look like now?

 What would it look like with full day kindergarten?



Full Day Kindergarten Ramifications

- After School Programs
- Transportation



Full Day Kindergarten Estimate of Costs for FY20 Implementation

Total Number of Kindergarten Sections Projected in FY20	43
Total Number of General Education Kindergarten Aides Estimated in FY20	43
Projected Redeployment of Existing Aides within NPS	13
Projected Net New General Education Kindergarten Aides	30
Projected Salary and Benefit Cost per New Kindergarten General Education Aide (Ranges of 30.83, 32, and 35 hours per week)	\$38,000 - \$43,000
Total Cost	\$1,140,00 - \$1,290,000