

Spending Analysis for Current Elementary School Modernization Projects

The following table includes all current Elementary School Modernization Projects. While modernization types do vary (I tried to include that, but some schools did not classify the Phasing/Type) this information is very telling. The student enrollment totals come from the projected numbers in the modernization information, and when not available, from the most recent enrollment on the DCPS profile page.

Note that there did not seem to be a relationship (in either direction) between poverty (% free and reduced lunch) and investment per student so I left that column out.

To me, this is striking in that the next closest \$ per student is 2 times that of what they've currently budgeted for Maury.

In short, we're going to need a bigger budget.

School	Ward	Students (projected, based on Ed Specs)	Budget (\$M)	\$ per student	X times greater than Maury \$ per student
Kimball ES	7	400	59	147,500	4.3
Marie Reed ES	1	486	61.5	126,543	3.7
Bancroft ES	1	550	68	123,636	3.6
Murch ES	3	730	83.3	114,110	3.3
Lafayette ES	4	805	78.6	97,640	2.8
Van Ness	6	336	32.4	96,429	2.8
Payne ES	6	325	28	86,154	2.5
Orr ES	8	468	38	81,197	2.4
Powell ES*	4	512	40	78,125	2.3
Watkins ES	6	550	39.4	71,636	2.1
Shepherd ES	4	400	28	70,000	2
Stanton ES*	8	526	36	68,441	2
Maury ES	6	539	18.5	34,323	

* Projected enrollment not available in modernization information, therefore current enrollment was used.

Sources:

<https://sites.google.com/a/dc.gov/dcps-school-modernizations/home>

<http://dgs.dc.gov/page/dgs-school-projects>