

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

April 30, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Thomas W. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Recommendation of Providers for Before- and After-School Child Care

☐ Information ☒ Action

Superintendent Recommendation

The superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the selected providers for before- and after-school childcare services for the school year 2026–2027 with the opportunity to extend services for six additional school years.

Background

Two distinct types of childcare programs operate within Montgomery County Public Schools' (MCPS) facilities. The first type of childcare program is all-day childcare services, which serve children from six weeks to five years of age. This program operates during standard weekday hours, typically throughout the calendar year, and is provided through a three-year lease agreement with MCPS, as outlined in Board of Education (Board) Board Policy ECM, *Joint Occupancy of Montgomery County Public Schools Facilities* and Board Policy DNA, *Management of Board of Education Property*. The second type of childcare program is before- and after-school childcare services, which serves school-age students. This program operates during the school year, offering care before the school day begins and after it ends, and is provided under a permit issued by the Montgomery County Community Use of Public Facilities (CUPF) office, with the opportunity for annual renewal of the permit for up to six additional years total. These two program types serve different age groups and is managed under separate selection and leasing processes.

The selection process for the before- and after-school childcare services, previously was managed by CUPF, an independent office created by the Montgomery County Government to administer and coordinate the after-hours use of MCPS facilities, and now is overseen directly by MCPS since the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 rebid cycle. However, the administration of the program, including the permitting process remains under CUPF's oversight, as designated by the Board under

Board Resolution No. 19-13, *Delegation of Authority—Administration of Before- and After-School Child Care Programs*, adopted on January 8, 2013, and as outlined in MCPS Regulation KGA-RA, *Community Use of Public Schools*.

The identification and selection of before- and after-school childcare providers follows a two-step process that consists first of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) procedure, used to prequalify providers based on specific criteria, followed by a Request for Proposals (RFP) process, where prequalified providers are invited to submit proposals. On July 23, 2025, MCPS released RFQ No. 6104.1a, Before and After School Childcare for Montgomery County Public Schools, seeking proposals from qualified agencies, organizations, private companies, or corporations interested in providing before and after school childcare services at various school locations for the 2026–2027 school year. On October 30, 2025, the Board approved the specific agencies, organizations, private companies, or corporations as qualified to respond to the subsequent RFP for before and after school childcare services at various school locations for the 2026–2027 school year (Resolution No. 458-25). Only those applicants who successfully responded to the RFQ, and met the qualification criteria were invited to participate in the subsequent RFP for the schools in the bid cycle.

As part of the selection process, surveys are distributed to each school community listed in the current bid cycle to gather feedback from parents and/or guardians. This input is incorporated into the RFP criteria. On September 15, 2025, MCPS released a survey to collect feedback on the criteria for before- and after-school childcare providers that may serve each school, as well as to gather input regarding families' experiences with their current provider.

On November 14, 2025, MCPS released RFP No. 6104.1.2, Before and After School Childcare at Montgomery County Public Schools—Multiple Locations, seeking proposals from the pre-qualified organizations, businesses, or individuals seeking to provide before- and after-school childcare services at various MCPS school locations in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 rebid cycle, beginning in the 2026–2027 school year. Selected awardees will operate under a permit issued by CUPF, with the possibility of annual extensions for up to six additional school years.

Proposals were received by January 14, 2026. On February 6, 2026, a pre-screening group, composed of staff from the Division of Facilities Management, evaluated the submissions to identify at least three vendors for each school location. Beginning February 24, 2026, a Selection Committee, comprised of central office staff from the Department of Family Engagement, the Department of Planning and Construction, and the Office of Sustainability, conducted interviews of the identified vendors, which concluded on March 19, 2026, and proposed vendors for selection. This is a new selection process implemented at the district level.

I recommend the approval of the proposed vendors to provide before- and after-school childcare services at the schools listed.

WHEREAS, The selection committee recommends the following pre-qualified vendors to provide before- and after-school childcare services at the schools listed:

School Location	Vendor
Beall Elementary School	Global Children's Center
Bradley Hills Elementary School	Rockville Day Care Association, Inc.
Cannon Road Elementary School	Kids After Hours Child Care Centers, Inc.
East Silver Spring Elementary School	Global Children's Center
Fairland Elementary School	Kids After Hours Child Care Centers, Inc.
Germantown Elementary School	Bar-T Holding, Inc.
Glenallan Elementary School	Kids After Hours Child Care Centers, Inc
Thurgood Marshall Elementary School	Bar-T Holdings, Inc.
Maryvale Elementary School	Rockville Day Care Association, Inc.
S. Christa McAuliffe Elementary School	Bar-T Holdings, Inc.
Mill Creek Towne Elementary School	Bar-T Holdings, Inc.
Oakland Terrace Elementary School	Kids After Hours Child Care Centers, Inc.
Piney Branch Elementary School	Kids Adventures, LLC
Rock Creek Valley Elementary School	Bar-T Holdings, Inc.
Rosemont Elementary School	Global Children's Center
Takoma Park Elementary School	Kids Adventures, LLC
Viers Mill Elementary School	Global Children's Center

and

WHEREAS, The superintendent of schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the selected providers under Request for Proposal No. 6104.1.2, Before and After School Childcare at Montgomery County Public Schools—Multiple Locations, for before- and after-school childcare services at various school locations; now therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education approve the selected vendors to provide before- and after- school childcare services at the schools listed beginning in the 2026–2027 school year, under a permit issued by the Office of Community Use of Public Facilities, with the possibility of annual extensions for up to six additional school years.

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