

Citizens for a Responsible Curriculum

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FACT SHEET

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CRC is a grassroots group of parents which incorporated in December 2004 as a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization. CRC formed shortly after the Montgomery County Board of Education adopted the report of its Citizens Advisory Committee on November 9, 2004. The report recommended approval of a new Family Life and Human Development Curriculum. The Board voted 6-0 to approve the new curriculum.

CRC is headed by Michelle Turner, a Citizens Advisory Committee member, who voted against the adoption of the curriculum. Mrs. Turner is the mother of 6 children and lives in Silver Spring.

Mission Statement: Our mission, as Citizens for a Responsible Curriculum, is to be a mainstream voice for fairness and scientific accuracy to the Montgomery County Public Schools' Board of Education regarding its new curriculum on Family Life and Human Sexuality for 8th graders and high school students.

Montgomery Public Schools (<http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/about/>)

Montgomery County Public School System

- 18th largest in the country (Out of approximately 14,564 nationwide)
- 12th fastest growing one in the country

The Montgomery County School Board

Patricia O'Neill, President, 301-320-7600
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Sharon W. Cox
Valerie Ervin
Nancy Navarro
Gabe Romero
Sagar Sanghvi (Student Member)

Superintendent of Schools

Jerry D. Weast, 301-279-3381

Number of Schools, 192 (US average school district, 5.6 schools)

Elementary (preK-5): 125
Middle (grades 6-8): 36
High (grades 9-12): 24
Special or Alternative: 6
Career/Technology Center: 1

Enrollment (Total: 139,203)

PreK: 2,287
Kindergarten: 8,889
Grades 1-5: 52,861
Grades 6-8: 32,314
Grades 9-12: 42,834
Special Schools: 656
Alternate Programs: 236

Montgomery County (Most populous MD jurisdiction, 13th wealthiest in the nation)

Population: 942,000

Households, by Type

89,960 Married couples with children under 18
19,033 Female heads of household (no husband present) with children under 18
4,673 Other households with children under 18

Median Family Income (2003)

\$94,465 (vs. \$52,465 for US)