

Conversation with School Superintendent, Dr. Karen Garza

Monday, September 28, 2015, 7:00 – 8:30 pm McLean Community Center 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean, Virginia

The McLean Citizens Association cordially invites you to join us in a "Conversation with Dr. Garza," the Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) Superintendent. The meeting is free and open to the general public.

In her first two years, Dr. Garza led the school system to provide students with five full days of elementary school and later high school start times. She improved the accuracy of school-level projections, which impact class sizes, renovations, and boundary changes. She also supported MCA proposals to hire an Auditor General.

This year, Dr. Garza created a Budget Task Force to develop a list of potential budget cuts, which Dr. Garza will consider in developing the FY 2017 and subsequent school system budgets.

The Task Force's list includes cuts to high school sports, 7th period in high schools, reversal of later high school start times, Advanced Academic Centers, TJHSST, elementary band and strings, and administrative and support staff positions and/or compensation. The list also includes options to save money by increasing class sizes across the board, while spending more money on existing programs that reduce class sizes in less affluent schools.

Please join us for this important conversation. There will be ample time for questions and answers.