October 24, 2011

Dear Members of the School Committee:

Attached please find the October 2011 monthly tracking reports, which consist of:
- Financial Reporting Summary
- Budget Tracking Report as of September 30, 2011
- Grant Expenditures as of September 30, 2011
- Revolving Expenditures as of September 30, 2011
- Revolving Revenues as of September 30, 2011
- Position Control as of October 18, 2011

Also, I have included another update of the FY12 Final Budget Funding Summary as of October 24, 2011. As you can see, our overall funding has increased 3.8m from FY11 to FY12. This has allowed the School Department to make up much of the ground that was lost when 3.9m was reduced from FY10 to FY11.

I’ve also included a bar chart, comparing data from the DESE End of Year Reports of actual expenses from FY07 through FY11, and the budgeted amounts for FY12. The data that drives the chart is also included.

Since my last reporting, there have been three major changes to our financial situation. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has awarded us two, one time only grants which we will uses support improvements need in Special Education. These grants total $150,108.

Circuit Breaker has been announced for FY12, and Arlington has been awarded $1,334,353, which is an increase of $502,534 above what was anticipated in the budget process.

Sincerely,

Diane Fisk Johnson
Chief Financial Officer