

**BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**DATE:** April 25, 2006

**TO:** **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**FROM:** Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND DR. BRIAN K. PERKINS**

**ORIGINATOR:** Christine M. Johns, Deputy Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction

**PERSON(S):** Beverly Pish, Director, Accountability, Research, and Testing  
Gary Brager, Supervisor, Accountability, Research, and Testing

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Education will review and approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Baltimore County Public Schools and Dr. Brian K. Perkins. The purpose of this agreement is for participation in the NSBA/CUBE National Random Study on School Climate (Second Phase: Administration of Teacher and Administrator Survey).

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**Memorandum of Understanding  
Between  
Baltimore County, Maryland Public Schools and Dr. Brian K. Perkins**

- Baltimore County, Maryland Public Schools agrees to participate in the NSBA/CUBE National Random Study on School Climate under the direction of Dr. Brian K. Perkins, Principal Investigator.
- The study will include up to 1,000 teachers and administrators from the Baltimore County Public School District (MD).
- Teachers and Administrators will be surveyed on an anonymous basis. No information will be collected to identify any teacher or administrator in any manner.
- Schools participating in the study will not be identified or compared with other schools within the national sample. School-level results of the survey will not be conducted. Only district level reports will be compiled. These reports will be released to the district superintendent unless otherwise specified in writing by the Board President/Chair.
- The Baltimore County Public School District (MD) will not incur any expense associated with the administration, participation, and report delivery of this study. Any additional services or administrations are the responsibility of Baltimore County Public School District (MD) and subject to fees and related costs.
- Data related to this study remain the property of the principal investigator.
- Under this agreement to participate, the Baltimore County Public School District (MD) will:
  - Assign a district representative/contact to work with the research team from survey administration to report delivery
  - Comply with all local and state laws regarding the notification, permission, and participation of students in this study
  - Provide the necessary school-level demographic data to determine which schools within the district will be included in the study
  - Administer the survey in designated schools consistent with the administration guidelines
  - Not copy, modify, or distribute the survey in any manner inconsistent with copyright law or the terms of the study and administration protocol
  - Secure the surveys for delivery according to the procedures outlined in the administration protocol
  - Hold harmless CUBE/NSBA and Dr. Brian K. Perkins for information and findings disclosed related to the study.
- Under the agreement, Dr. Brian K. Perkins will:
  - Provide the Baltimore County Public School District (MD) with a district item-level analysis

- Provide the Baltimore County Public School District (MD) with an item-level analysis report for regional and national participants
- Not disseminate, disclose, or identify the results of the survey administration by district unless compelled by court order
- Not contact, print, video, or audio media outlets to discuss the results of the survey by school or district level.

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Signature – Board Chair/President

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Signature – Superintendent of Schools

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Signature – Dr. Brian K. Perkins

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