

**BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**DATE:** May 6, 2008

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

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

**SUBJECT:** **REPORT ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 6174, - CURRICULUM EXTENSIONS, INSTRUCTION, SUMMER SCHOOL**

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

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**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Education considers the proposed change to Policy 6174. This is the first reading.

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Attachment I – Policy Analysis  
Attachment II – Policy 6174

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY**  
**Policy Analysis for Proposed Revisions to Policy: 6174**  
**Curriculum Extensions, Instruction: Summer School**

Statement of Issues Addressed By the Revised Policy

The Department of Student Support Services is in the process of reviewing policies in the 6000 series. The department is recommending revisions to the policy. The current policy is general in nature and preserves the school system's flexibility to change the summer program as needed. It is our goal to raise summer school student comprehension levels as measured by HSAs and Baltimore County Public Schools' final exams.

Cost Analysis and Fiscal Impact on School System

No fiscal impact is anticipated or contemplated by this revision.

Relationship to Other Board Policies

None

Legal Requirement

COMAR 13A.03.02.05 Other Provisions for Earning Credit

Similar Policies Adopted by Other School Systems

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Policy Number 5117 Supplemental Learning Opportunities and Promotion and Retention.  
<http://www.pgcps.org/~board/policy/>

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

MCPS Policies & Regulations Handbook, CG Special Programs Administration, CGA-RA Special Programs Administration, Summer School Program – General  
<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/policy/sect-c.shtm>

Draft of Proposed Policy (see attached)

Policy 6174

Other Alternatives Considered by Staff

The Department of Student Support Services did not consider other alternatives.

Timeline:

- First Reading-May 6, 2008
- Public Comment-May 20, 2008
- Third Reading for Vote-June 10, 2008

Instruction: CURRICULUM EXTENSIONS

Summer School

The Board of Education OF BALTIMORE COUNTY (BOARD) may conduct a summer school program each year. Its purpose is to provide additional opportunities for [pupils] STUDENTS to receive [remedial instruction] ACADEMIC SUPPORT and participate in enrichment activities. Summer school attendance does not in any way guarantee promotion for [pupils] STUDENTS. They may, however, earn credits toward high school graduation which may result in a [revision] CHANGE of class placement in the high school.

Legal Reference: [Annotated Code of Pub. Gen. Laws of Md. Art. 77-Pub. Ed. §97. Terms and holidays]

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Policy  
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Board of Education of Baltimore County