

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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DATE: August 13, 2002

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: Continuation of Baltimore County Public Schools-
University of Maryland Baltimore County Partnership

ORIGINATOR: Dr. Barbara Dezmon, Assistant to the Superintendent
for Equity and Assurance

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approves continuation
of the BCPS-UMBC Partnership

INFORMATION

In 2001-2002, Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS) established an agreement with the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC) to provide four (4) interns to be trained in high need schools and later teach in those or similar schools. This is a request to continue the BCPS-UMBC Partnership through 2002-2003 with an additional four (4) interns.

The Partnership will provide interns to identified low achieving schools in Baltimore County. The interns are post-graduate students in the UMBC Masters of Education Program. The interns will complete one year assisting with instruction in a school under the direction of UMBC and a supervisory teacher. Baltimore County Public Schools will designate both the school placement and the supervisory teacher. After completing the one year internship and obtaining a Masters degree and certification, the interns agree to teach in the same high need school or one that is comparable for a term of at least four (4) years at the discretion of BCPS. Should the intern not fulfill the terms of the agreement, he or she will reimburse BCPS and UMBC under terms outlined in a promissory note agreement.

Achievement data will have a significant role in ultimately evaluating this program. However, such an evaluation will have to occur over time, since an appropriate number of interns will have to be placed in the designated schools. However, other qualitative data may be used for formative evaluation in the interim.

Attachment I – Term Promissory Note
Attachment II – Memorandum of Understanding