

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: May 20, 2008

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **REPORT ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO BOARD OF
EDUCATION POLICY 6212, INSTRUCTION: EVALUATION
OF THE INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

ORIGINATOR:

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education considers the proposed changes to Policy 6212. This is the first reading of this policy.

Attachment I – Policy Analysis
Attachment II – Policy 6212

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF BALTIMORE COUNTY
Policy Analysis for Proposed Revision to Policy 6212
Purpose of the Evening High and Saturday School Programs

Statement of Issues Addressed By the Revised Policy

The Department of Student Support Services is recommending revision of Policy 6212. The wording has been revised to clarify that the Evening High School Program also offers morning classes on Saturday.

Cost Analysis and Fiscal Impact on School System

No fiscal impact is anticipated due to this revision.

Relationship to Other Board Policies

Board Policy 6210 *Alternative Programs*

Legal Requirement

COMAR 13A.03.02.05 Other Provisions for Earning Credit.

Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §7-205 Promotion and Graduation of Students

Similar Policies Adopted by Other School Systems

Howard County Board of Education Policy 8030, Graduation Requirements – Alternative Sources of Credit (offers original and review high school credits)

Board of Education of Anne Arundel County Policy Code 605.15, Evening High School Program (offers original and review high school credits)

Draft of Proposed Policy (see attached)

Board of Education Policy 6212

Other Alternatives Considered by Staff

N/A

Timeline:

First reading – May 20, 2008

Public comment – June 10, 2008

Third reading – July 8, 2008

INSTRUCTION: EVALUATION OF THE INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

Purpose of the Evening AND SATURDAY High School ProgramS

- I. The SUPERINTENDENT SHALL PROVIDE [Office of Alternative Programs is responsible] for the administration and supervision of the Evening AND SATURDAY High School ProgramS.

- II. The purpose of [this[THESE programS shall be to give students alternative opportunities to complete the course requirements for a regular (credit) Maryland high school diploma.
 - A. Original and review credit courses shall be offered for those who need to meet the requirements for graduation or admission to institutions of higher learning.

 - B. The Evening AND SATURDAY High SchoolS shall have the ability to offer [all] courses (credits), tests ([Functional or] High School Assessments), and/or OTHER completeR [other] requirements (student service learning) needed to meet the state and county requirements for a high school diploma.

- III. The Evening AND SATURDAY High SchoolS [is] ARE open to anyone who has completed the eighth grade and is:
 - A. [-]Attending a PUBLIC high school and has the permission of that school's administration; or
 - B. [-]Not currently attending high school and does not have a high school diploma; or
 - C. [-]Taking courses to gain admission to college.

- V. The Evening AND SATURDAY High SchoolS will follow the Baltimore County Public Schools' curriculum standards and all policies on student behavior, attendance, grading, and graduation.

Legal Reference: [Annotated Code of Pub. Gen. Laws of Maryland, Article 77-
Public Education, #52. Schools for Adults]

COMAR [13A.03.02.03F(2)] 13A.03.02.05 (C)

RELATED POLICIES: BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 6210, *ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS*

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