

**BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**DATE:** July 9, 2013

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

**FROM:** S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent

**SUBJECT:** **REPORT ON THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 6601, SUMMER SCHOOL**

**ORIGINATOR:** S. Dallas Dance, Superintendent

**RESOURCE PERSON(S):** Patricia Lawton, Chief Academic Officer  
Roger Plunkett, Executive Director, Student Support Services

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Education reviews the proposed changes to Policy 6601, *Summer School*. This is the first reading.

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Attachment I – Policy Analysis  
Attachment II – Policy 6601

**POLICY ANALYSIS FOR  
BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 6601  
SUMMER SCHOOL**

**Statement of Issues or Questions Addressed**

In accordance with Board of Education Policy and Superintendent's Rule 8130, Policy 6601 is scheduled for review in school year 2012-2013. Policy 6601 establishes a summer school program that provides students with additional opportunities to obtain academic support or to earn graduation credits. Staff is recommending that the policy be revised to: (1) include a policy statement; (2) clearly delineate standards of the program; (3) reflect students' ability to take online and blended courses as well as extended-year programs; (4) include an implementation statement; and (5) conform with the Policy Review Committee's editing conventions.

**Cost Analysis and Fiscal Impact to the School System**

No fiscal impact is anticipated by the revision of this policy.

**Relationship to Other Board of Education Policies**

1. Board of Education Policy 5120, *Attendance and Excuses*
2. Board of Education Policy 5210, *Factors Involved in Student Evaluation*
3. Board of Education Policy 5500, *Conduct*
4. Board of Education Policy 5550, *Disruptive Behavior*
5. Board of Education Policy 6200, *Curriculum and Instruction*
6. Board of Education Policy 6602, *Alternative Education Programs*

**Legal Requirements**

1. COMAR 13A.03.02.05, *Other Provisions for Earning Credit*

**Similar Policies Adopted by Other Local School Systems**

1. Anne Arundel County Board of Education, Policy IFP, *Secondary Summer School Program*
2. Frederick County Board of Education, Policy 400-40, *Summer School*
3. Harford County Board of Education, Policy 04-0010-000, *Summer School Program*

**Draft of Proposed Policy**

Attached

**Other Alternatives Considered by Staff**

No other alternatives were considered.

**Timeline**

First reading – July 9, 2013

Public comment – August 6, 2013

Third reading/vote – September 10, 2013

INSTRUCTION: Curriculum Extensions and Alternative Programs

Summer School

I. POLICY STATEMENT

The Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) may conduct a summer school program each year [. Its purpose is] to provide additional opportunities for students to receive academic support and participate in enrichment activities.

II. STANDARDS

A. COURSE REQUIREMENTS IN SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAMS SHALL BE THE SAME AS THOSE REQUIRED FOR COURSES IN THE COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL AND ADHERE WITH THE SCHOOL SYSTEM'S CURRICULUM AND GRADING STANDARDS.

B. SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE SUMMER SCHOOL COURSE SHALL BE REQUIRED FOR A STUDENT TO EARN CREDIT TOWARD HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION OR, IF TAKEN FOR REVIEW CREDIT, FOR GRADE-LEVEL PROMOTION. [Summer school attendance does not in any way guarantee promotion for students. They may, however, earn credits toward high school graduation which may result in a change of class placement in the high school].

III. IMPLEMENTATION

THE BOARD DIRECTS THE SUPERINTENDENT TO IMPLEMENT THIS POLICY.

Legal Reference: COMAR 13A.03.02.05, *Other Provisions for Earning Credit*

RELATED POLICIES: BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 5120, *ATTENDANCE AND EXCUSES*

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 5210, *FACTORS INVOLVED IN STUDENT EVALUATION*

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 5500, *CONDUCT*

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 5550, *DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR*

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 6200, *CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION*

BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 6602, *ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAMS*

Policy

Board of Education of Baltimore County

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