

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: December 16, 2008

TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FROM: Dr. Joe A. Hairston, Superintendent

SUBJECT: **REPORT ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO POLICY 8132 – INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: CONTROL AND COMMUNICATIONS**

ORIGINATOR: Frances A. S. Harris, Chairperson, Policy Review Committee

RESOURCE PERSON(S):

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education reviews the proposed changes to Policy 8132. This is the first reading.

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Attachment I – Policy Analysis 8132
Attachment II – Policy 8132

**Policy Analysis for
Board of Education Policy 8132
Control and Communications**

Statement of Issues or Questions Addressed

Board of Education Policy 8132 has not been reviewed since it was first adopted in 1968. The policy outlines the Board's expectation that the Superintendent should distribute and disseminate its policies and the Superintendent's rules. In order to update the policy, it does not include specific details on how this is to be accomplished, simply the expectation that it will be completed.

Cost Analysis and Fiscal Impact on School System

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

Relationship to Other Board of Education Policies

1. Policy 2111, *Superintendent of Schools*, also explains certain duties of the superintendent. (note that this policy is scheduled for deletion)
2. Policy 1100, *Communication with the Public*, has only ancillary relationship to Policy 8132.

Legal Requirements

Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article, §4-108

Similar Policies Adopted by Other Local School Systems

1. Anne Arundel County, Section B – Policy 204.01, Number BFA, *Policy Dissemination*
2. Carroll County, Policy BGA, *Policy and Policy Development*
3. Harford County, Section 22 – 0014-000, *Policy Development and Review*
4. Howard County, Policy 2020, *Policy Development and Adoption*
5. Montgomery County, Policy BFA, *Policy Setting*
6. Washington County, Policy BF, *Policy Setting*

Draft of Proposed Policy

Attached

Other Alternatives Considered by Staff

No other alternatives were considered

Timeline:

First reading: December 16, 2008
Public comment: January 13, 2009
Third reading: February 10, 2009

INTERNAL BOARD POLICIES: Organization

Formulation of Policies: Control and Communications

- I. The Superintendent [of Schools] is directed to [establish and maintain an orderly plan for] preserv[ing]E and mak[ing]E accessible the policies adopted by the Board of Education OF BALTIMORE COUNTY (BOARD) and [the administrative] THE NECESSARY rules [and regulations needed to put them into effect].

[Accessibility is to extend to all employees of the school system, to members of the Board of Education, and interested citizens.]

LEGAL REFERENCE: *ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, EDUCATION ARTICLE §4-108*

Policy
Adopted: 9/18/68
REVISED: _____

Board of Education of Baltimore County