
Superintendent's Report To the Baltimore County Board of Education

October 2, 2007

To prepare our students for higher education and successful careers, Baltimore County Public Schools works closely with area business leaders in a number of ways. For example, business representatives serve on advisory committees, consult with us on industry standards, and provide our students with internship and employment opportunities.

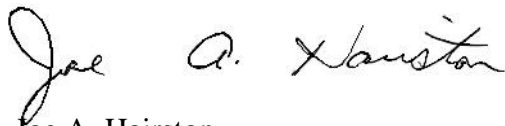
Recently in a meeting with a representative of the Marine Trades Association of Baltimore County, I learned that, although there are more than 70 marinas, boatyards, and yacht clubs in Eastern Baltimore County, there is no specific occupational training program in Maryland for the marine trades.

Realizing that this represented a unique opportunity for our students to consider and prepare for careers in potentially overlooked fields, I promised that I would work with our Office of Career and Technology Education to create an awareness campaign.

Within a very short time, Career and Technology Education and The Education Channel created both a brochure and a DVD to introduce these career options to our students and to help them understand how their studies and skills might be transferable.

This evening, I am pleased to yield the remainder of my time to Jean Satterfield, Area Assistant Superintendent for the Southeast Area. She will share more about the project's background and our plans for its continued development.

This initiative is an excellent example of how our collaborations with the business community support our efforts to increase academic rigor and expand learning and life opportunities for all students.



Joe A. Hairston
Superintendent

Review of Superintendent's Calendar

Past

- 9/19 **Principals' Meeting, Holiday Inn Select, Timonium**
- 9/19 **Superintendent's Student Advisory Board meeting**
- 9/19 **Board of Education Work Session on FY 2009 Capital Budget, ESS**
- 9/19 **Presented remarks at High School Assessments Regional Meeting, Poly/Western High Schools**
- 9/20-9/22 **AVID/College Board Superintendents Collaborative, Dallas, Texas**
- 9/24 **Superintendent's lunch and informal dialogue with middle school principals, Greenwood Administration Building**
- 9/25 **2007-2008 College Board/AVID Kick-off Ceremony, ESS**
- 9/26 **Offered greetings at Safe Schools Conference, Holiday Inn Select, Timonium**
- 9/26 **Presented remarks at United Way Kickoff, Loch Raven High School**
- 9/27 **Bridge to Excellence Stakeholder Meeting, Maryland State Department of Education**
- 9/27 **Minority Achievement Advisory Group meeting, Greenwood Administration Building**
- 9/29 **Presented remarks at Student Council Leadership Workshop, Camp Ramblewood**
- 9/29 **Children's Cancer Foundation Ball, Towson University**
- 10/1 **Maryland Partnership for Teaching and Learning, PreK-16, Maryland Higher Education Commission, Annapolis**

Upcoming

- 10/3-4 **Maryland Association of Boards of Education conference, Ocean City**
- 10/5 **Teacher of the Year Gala, Martin's West, Woodlawn**
- 10/8 **Superintendent's lunch and informal dialogue with elementary school principals, Greenwood Administration Building**

- 10/9 **Crossroads Center Ribbon Cutting**
- 10/10 **Superintendent's lunch and informal dialogue with elementary school principals, Greenwood Administration Building**
- 10/10 **Superintendent's Student Advisory Board meeting**
- 10/13 **To bring greetings to Fifth District Elementary School's 75th Anniversary Celebration**
- 10/14 **NAACP Award Event, Martin's West, Woodlawn**
- 10/15 **Essex-Middle River-White Marsh Chamber of Commerce event, Hilton Garden Inn, White Marsh**
- 10/15 **Superintendent's lunch and informal dialogue with elementary school principals, Greenwood Administration Building**
- 10/17 **Kids Helping Hopkins Kickoff, Windsor Mill Middle School**
- 10/17 **Baltimore County Commission on Disabilities Luncheon and Awards Ceremony, Holiday Inn Select, Timonium**
- 10/18 **Superintendent's lunch and informal dialogue with elementary school principals, Greenwood Administration Building**
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- 10/24-10/27 **College Board/AVID Forum, New York**