STUDENTS: Promotion and Retention

Graduation Requirements

I. Policy Statement

The Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) is committed to ensuring that all students in the Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS) graduate from high school. The Board is dedicated to ensuring that its graduates are college and career ready. Graduates will be prepared to enter postsecondary education, employment or both and have the knowledge, skills and attitudes to reach their potential as responsible, productive citizens. The Board recognizes that fulfilling this commitment requires high academic standards; rigorous, relevant curricula; effective, engaging instruction; and flexibility in programming and support to meet the diverse needs, aptitudes and interests of all students.

II. Standards

A. The Board shall establish requirements for graduation from high school in accordance with the bylaws of the Maryland State Board of Education.

B. The Board, at its discretion, may establish graduation requirements beyond the minimum requirements established by the State Board when it believes it to be in the best interest of students.

III. Implementation

The Board directs the Superintendent to implement this policy.

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

Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §7-206.1, High School Diploma for Certain Individuals Enlisted During World War II or Korean Conflict.

COMAR 13A.03.02, Graduation Requirements for Public High Schools in Maryland
POLICY 5250

Related Policies: Board of Education Policy 5200, *Promotion and Retention*
Board of Education Policy 5210, *Grading and Reporting*

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