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LARGEST MARYLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT'S 'ANTI-RACISM' TEACHING STARTS IN KINDERGARTEN

<https://dailycaller.com/2026/02/24/major-school-district-anti-racism-teaching-start-kindergarten/>

MCPS MUST PAY \$1.5 MILLION TO FAMILIES OVER STORYBOOK LAWSUIT

[Read the story →](#)

MCPS BUDGET PALOOZA - **important information presented by the Taxpayers League - issues are endless & no transparency**

https://youtu.be/nvnjKiU_alk

THE HARD TRUTH ABOUT MARYLAND SCHOOL SPENDING

[Billions Spent, Without Results: The "Blueprint" Deserves an F -](#)

MOORE'S WAR AGAINST ON OVERSIGHT CONTINUES

[Maryland's Education IG Axed by the Moore Administration](#)

HELP MAGRUDER HIGH SCHOOL

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1HY6YK7g1g/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

SHERWOOD HIGH STUDENTS TAKE SCHOOL SAFETY ADVOCACY TO CAPITOL HILL

<https://mocoshow.com/2026/02/17/sherwood-high-students-take-school-safety-advocacy-to-capitol-hill/>

"A BUNCH OF BULL": DIVIDED MOCO SCHOOL BOARD VOTES TO BEGIN CLOSURE PROCESS FOR COUNTY'S ONLY CHARTER SCHOOL

[Link](#)

RICHARD MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL PTAs SPEAK OUT ON SCHOOL BOUNDARIES

<https://montgomeryperspective.com/2026/02/24/richard-montgomery-ptas-speak-out-on-school-boundaries/>

KAGAN CRITICIZES "REALLY BAD ESTIMATES" FROM MCPS

<https://montgomeryperspective.com/2026/02/20/kagan-criticizes-really-bad-estimates-from-mcps/>

TAYLOR: "WHAT'S THE WORST THAT COULD HAPPEN? THEY FIRE ME?"

<https://montgomeryperspective.com/2026/02/23/taylor-whats-the-worst-that-could-happen-they-fire-me/>

WHY ARE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS PAID LIKE THIS?

https://open.substack.com/pub/noraegordon/p/why-are-board-of-ed-members-paid?r=2cxszl&utm_medium=ios

Frederick County BOE members are paid \$12,000. Some other counties in Maryland consider this a volunteer position with no salary.

GRADE INFLATION IN HIGH SCHOOLS (2005-2016)

[Grade Inflation in High Schools \(2005–2016\)](#)

[Easy A's, lower pay: Grade inflation's hidden damage](#)

MONTGOMERY COUNTY'S BUDGET PROBLEM - WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON?

<https://epicofmoco.salsalabs.org/budget?wvpld=45dc4b8a-4a58-4f8c-ba5f-bd2e91b23896>

TEACHING KIDS TO HATE AMERICA WILL HAVE REAL-WORLD CONSEQUENCES

<https://www.theblaze.com/columns/opinion/teaching-kids-to-hate-america-will-have-real-world-consequences>

REPORT ESTIMATES MARYLAND SCHOOLS RECEIVED \$990M SINCE 2019 FOR STUDENTS NOT IN CLASS

[Report estimates Maryland schools received \\$990M since 2019 for students not in class](#)

MARYLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS ADD 10,202 STAFF MEMBERS SINCE 2021 AS ENROLLMENT DROPS

[Link](#) Comment by Gordie Brenne of MCTL: Bingo! This Blueprint Accountability Board statement is mind blowing: The AIB explained in its statement "Student proficiency for economically disadvantaged students has outpaced growth for all students" meaning "data suggests that statewide the Blueprint investment is yielding some improved outcomes." No. The fact is virtual learning destroyed education for low income kids, who hit rock bottom. Any growth since then is just inertia due to returning to dysfunctional classrooms to teach to the tests. This growth is limited to just a small percentage of low income kids who show up for the tests.

WHO'S WATCHING MARYLAND'S SCHOOLS?

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=pfbid02wTkMgC3toMWjrinvyvs7nDRZqcVfh3gBP9eHBHMgEtJksjcn9HE9j3FkKG2KFHMI&id=100063566203029

MARYLAND BLUEPRINT

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1A7pDPyhGN/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

PARENTS WIN \$1.5 MILLION FROM MOCO, MD FOR SECRET LGBTQ LESSONS

https://justthenews.com/government/courts-law/parents-win-15-million-school-district-rebuked-scotus-secret-lgbtq-lessons?utm_source=breaking&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=newsletter

APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN: DISTRICT 9 SENATORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
[applications are now open](#)

RECORD SURGE OF TEACHERS LEAVING UNIONS SPARKS NEW PUSH
<https://www.dailysignal.com/2026/02/20/why-teachers-unions-new-hotel-california-public-employees/>

TAX CREDIT FOR YOUR CHILD'S PRIVATE SCHOOL EDUCATION
<https://www.cleanslatemoco.com/tax-credits-for-your-childs-private-school-education/3949> - contact Governor Moore to ask him to opt Maryland in (410)974-3901
Remind him that his private school education helped him to get where he is today!

BILL AIMS TO CLOSE MARYLAND'S SHORTAGE OF SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS ACROSS MARYLAND
<https://marylandmatters.org/2026/02/18/bill-aims-to-close-marylands-shortage-of-school-psychologists/>

WHERE ARE WE HEADED IN TERMS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS?
https://fortune.com/2026/02/21/laptops-tablets-schools-gen-z-less-cognitively-capable-parents-first-time-cellphone-bans-standardized-test-scores/?fbclid=IwZnRzaAQIj5FleHRuA2FibQIxBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZAo2Njl4NTY4Mzc5AAEeBNHvXZlfnISten1VYzT509bjt2eihmaREQ8dO5EOh3FREkp-PExrDRzdbLo_aem_zR_wHwdePDthpe71ek-lcA

SURVEY: 60% OF TEACHERS USED AI THIS YEAR AND SAVED UP TO 6 HOURS OF WORK A WEEK
<https://www.the74million.org/article/survey-60-of-teachers-used-ai-this-year-and-saved-up-to-6-hours-of-work-a-week/>

OPINION: IT IS TIME TO TAKE POLITICS OUT OF SCHOOL SAFETY CONVERSATIONS
<https://bethesdamagazine.com/2026/02/21/opinion-time-to-take-politics-out-of-school-safety-conversations/>

LAWMAKERS MOVE TO HELP AVOID ADDITIONAL MAKE-UP DAYS AFTER STORM CLOSURES
<https://mocoshow.com/2026/02/23/lawmakers-move-to-help-avoid-additional-make-up-days-after-storm-closures/>

WHAT ROLE SHOULD RESOURCE OFFICERS PLAY IN SCHOOLS?
[Link](#) Comment by Gordie Brenne of MCTL: Last sentence quote from CE Elrich is telling: situations that principals can't handle can become criminal arrests. I strongly believe that in at least low income schools we want the principal to be in charge of security, not the central office.

DON'T CLOSE WOOTTON HIGH SCHOOL - SAVE MCPS & WOOTTON HS
<http://www.savewootton.org/>

PARENTS ARE STUNNED BY THE NEW HOMEWORK SHIFT SHOWING UP IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
<https://www.kidsaintcheap.com/parents-are-stunned-by-the-new-homework-shift-showing-up-in-elementary-schools/>

THE MARYLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 'DOING THE IMPROBABLE' IN TEACHING KIDS TO READ

<https://www.the74million.org/article/the-maryland-school-district-doing-the-improbable-in-teaching-kids-to-read/>

**BLAIR PRINCIPAL EXPLAINS LOCKDOWN THAT LED TO DISCOVERY OF
REPLICA GUN NEAR CAMPUS**

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THREE MCPS HIGH SCHOOLS TO PILOT VOLT AI SAFETY SYSTEM

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GAITHERSBURG MIDDLE SCHOOL

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INBOX: Flyers promoting an anti-ICE walkout reportedly spotted inside Gaithersburg Middle School (@MCPS) in Maryland, instructing students to make anti-ICE posters during lunch. Source says that the flyers have been hanging in the school for WEEKS. Your taxes are being used to indoctrinate children against law enforcement.