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Chair Kathleen Causey and members of the Baltimore County Board of Education 6901 North Charles Street Towson, MD 21204

Dear Chair Causey and Board members:

I am writing to strong support the proposed changes to Board of Education Policy 5561 -STUDENTS: Conduct-School Use of Reportable Offenses.

This rule change would require law enforcement agencies to notify the Baltimore County Public School Superintendent when a student has been arrested for a reportable offense. The change would also require the Superintendent to provide guidance to schools on how to respond to such reports.

We need clear, centralized decisionmaking on whether offenders are allowed to attend classes, and violent offenders should have alternative arrangements.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Respectfully: David Mark

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