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Update on the Search for a New Superintendent for Baltimore County Public Schools

TOWSON, MD –*The Board of Education of Baltimore County, today, released the following update on the search for a new superintendent of Baltimore County Public Schools:*

McPherson and Jacobson, LLC, the executive search firm coordinating efforts to find a new superintendent for Baltimore County Public Schools, has received applications from 24 candidates. The applicants come from 15 states and are comprised of current superintendents, central office administrators, and other educational leaders.

"We are very pleased to have such a strong slate of candidates," said Dr. Steve Joel, lead consultant for the superintendent search. "The candidates have a wealth of experience and the significant interest in this position is a reflection of the positive reputation that Baltimore County has in the region and the country."

After careful review and deliberation, the Board has selected four finalists for a final round of interviews. The four finalists will be interviewed by the Board and members of key stakeholder groups that represent students, parents, multicultural and civic organizations, employee associations, and area advisory councils.

The interviews will be held the second week of May. Based on input from the stakeholder groups and information gathered by the Board, the preferred candidate will be identified.

Once the preferred candidate is identified, the Board will work to complete a final reference check and negotiate a contract in advance of the July 1 start date for the new superintendent. During this process, the Board remains committed to maintaining the confidentiality of candidates in order to find the best leader for BCPS. The Board will continue to provide updates to the community as the search process progresses.

For more information on the search, visit the Superintendent Search website.

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