Task Force on Student Discipline Regulations
This is Captain Hancock, you will divert your course... Over
886,221 Lighthouses
Discipline (Latin: discipulus “pupil, learner”)
Needed Instruction:

- Self-control
- Respect
- Responsibility

“To educate in mind, but not in morals, is to educate a menace to society.” -- Theodore Roosevelt
80-90% of Discipline Problems

Locally and Nationally
For Black and Latino boys, the crisis is even more pronounced.
If we fail to educate, we had better be prepared to incarcerate.
Course corrections needed ahead....

Programs
Initiatives
Regulations
Policies
Task Force Representation

- Maryland PTA
- Maryland State Education Association
- Baltimore Teachers Union
- Maryland Association of Elementary School Principals
- Maryland State Board of Education
- State Superintendent of Schools
Task Force Representation

• Maryland Association of Student Councils
• Maryland Association of School Resource Officers
• Special Education/Special Services
• At-Risk Student Population/Services
• Retired Teacher/New Teachers Mentor
Task Force Representation

• Maryland Association of Boards of Education
• Public School Superintendents Association of Maryland
• Maryland Association Secondary School Principals
• Maryland Attorney General’s Office

Thank you for your commitment of time, energy, and effort!
Resources for Our Work

- MSDE Staff (Walt Sallee, Kim Burkheit)
- Web conferences, focus groups
- Website for communication to our state
- Panels, special speakers
- MSDE Data (suspension/expulsions, climate surveys, test scores)
- Constituents and stakeholders
Input from Community and Stakeholders is Welcomed!

- Task Force and Subcommittee Meetings -- Public, but Not Open
- Email
- Letters
- Oral public comment at State Board meetings (410-767-0467) or email <Charlene.Necessary@Maryland.gov>
MSDE Staff to Assist Us!

• Dr. Sylvia Lawson, Deputy State Superintendent, School Effectiveness
• Mrs. Mary Gable, Assistant State Superintendent, Student Support, academic Enrichment, and Education
• Dr. Miya T. Simpson, Executive Director, Office of the Maryland State Board of Education
Monthly Meetings - Thursdays

- February 28
- March 28
- April 25
- May 23
- June 25

Your presence is expected.
Weekly Progress Checks

• Emails or phone calls from your respective Chairperson/Facilitator
• Summaries due to Chair before the actual meeting
Subcommittee 1: MSDE Regulations and Guidelines

• Examine/review current state discipline regulations and the impact of state policies and guidelines on students, teachers, classrooms, learning environments, and schools
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- Evaluate the scope of implementation by teachers, school-based administrators, local districts, and identify problematic policies, practices, and procedures;
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• Review SEA/LEA’s discipline data and statistics, including the school climate survey; and
• Draft recommendations.
Subcommittee 2: Best Practices

- Identify, research, and evaluate model programs
- Determine the most effective interventions and programs, and gather supporting data
- Draft recommendations
Supplemental Reading
Please, be fully engaged in our meetings.
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