

# Proposed Maryland Board of Education Priorities for School Year (SY) 2020-2021

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# Objectives

- Establish Maryland educational policy direction for SY 2020-2021 & assess Board progress.
- Continue ongoing initiatives to 1) make progress in other areas through the work and reporting from our study committees and 2) expand Board outreach and stakeholder input in education policy formulation and execution

# Board Outreach

## **Spoke with representatives of:**

- Maryland State Department of Education
- Maryland State Board of Education
- Governor's Office
- Maryland Legislature
- Education Teacher Association
- Education Reform Community
- Education Stakeholders
- Business Community

# Priority Groupings for SY 2020-2021

| Groupings | Priority Areas   |
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| One       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hire Next Superintendent by July 1, 2021</li><li>• Reopen Schools for learning</li></ul>                                       |
| Two       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Accountability</li><li>• Educational equity</li><li>• Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)</li><li>• Community Outreach</li></ul> |
| Three     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Schools</li><li>• Social Emotional Learning &amp; Bullying</li></ul>   |

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- Hire a high-quality superintendent who is prepared to build on current educational environment to lead education transformation and reform for all children.
- Oversee the reopening of schools, with an emphasis on equity, accountability, and promoting learning for all children per ESSA.
- Ensure that MSDE and LSS address the social emotional needs of students and staff **OR** expand community schools and give them the flexibility and autonomy to innovate and respond to community needs.
- PLACEHOLD — assess learning loss during COVID-19 and work collaboratively with local school systems and key stakeholders to accelerate learning next school year (identify by March 2021).
- PLACEHOLD — Big Hairy Audacious Goal (BHAG) for education (identify by April 2021).