

MONARCH ACADEMY  
PUBLIC CHARTER  
SCHOOL,

Appellants

v.

BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF  
SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

Appellee.

BEFORE THE  
MARYLAND  
STATE BOARD  
OF EDUCATION

Order No. OR 19-01

ORDER

The Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners (local board) has moved to strike the Monarch Academy's 41-page appeal memorandum for exceeding the 15-page limit set forth in COMAR 13A.01.05.02(A)(9). That regulation is part of a significant revision of the regulation governing appeals to the State Board. The regulation became effective on February 11, 2019. This appeal was filed on February 12, 2019.

While we expect that appeals after February 11, 2019 will conform to the regulatory page limits, a remedy to strike pages 16-41 of this appeal memorandum would be draconian given that the regulation became effective at the time the appeal memorandum likely was enroute to the State Board. Thus, we decline to strike the offending pages.

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Signature on File:

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Justin M. Hartings  
President  
March 26, 2019