

IAC Meeting Agenda

Thursday, July 16, 2026

Virtual Meeting at 9:00 a.m.

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Item 2.A. June 11, 2026 IAC Meeting Minutes

Motion:

To approve the draft June 11, 2026 IAC Meeting Minutes, as presented.



DRAFT Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2026

Call to Order:

Chair Edward Kasemeyer called the video-conference meeting of the Interagency Commission on School Construction to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members in Attendance:

Edward Kasemeyer, Appointee of the President of the Senate, Chair
Linda Eberhart, Appointee of the Speaker of the House, Vice-chair
Deputy Secretary Joh Sedtal as designee for Secretary Atif Chaudhry, Maryland Department of General Services
Michael Darenberg, Appointee of the Governor
Chuck Boyd, as designee for Secretary Rebecca Flora, Maryland Department of Planning
Manish Kothari, Appointee of the Governor
Krishna Tallur, as designee for Dr. Carey M. Wright, State Superintendent of Schools

Members Not in Attendance:

Gloria Lawlah, Appointee of the President of the Senate

Revisions to the Agenda:

Deputy Director Cassandra Viscarra stated that there were no revisions to the agenda as published but noted that a change was published the day before the meeting with a revision to Item 7 that changed the motion language to permit staff to make non-substantive revisions to the Administrative Procedures Guide as needed.

Public Comment:

None.

IAC Correspondence:

None.

Agenda Items:

1. Executive Director's Report – [Informational Only]

Executive Director Alex Donahue gave a report on several items of note. He opened by thanking the commission and staff for their work during FY 2026 as it comes to a close, and expressed appreciation for the FY 2027 budget showing roughly the same funding levels as FY 2026. He noted however, that due to construction cost inflation, the same amount of funding does not fund the same amount of work as it did for prior fiscal years. Executive Director Donahue next stated that despite comments by some criticizing the political nature of capital budget investments for FY 2027 and others, the IAC will continue to be completely apolitical in how State funds are awarded. He stated that any political aspects toward appropriations come from the General Assembly, and are out of the IAC's control. However, he stated he continues to express to the General Assembly and others that funds need to follow the data to address whatever deficiencies exist in school facilities. Finally, he thanked all IAC and LEA staff who have worked to move operations onto the IAC's Business Management System, and stated that as the IAC prepares for two new funding programs in FY 2028, the BMS will be utilized further and become more essential to agency practices.

2. Consent Agenda – [Motion Carried]

Upon a motion by Krishna Tallur, seconded by Mr. Darenberg, the IAC voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Kothari and Deputy Secretary Sedtal were not present for this vote.

a. May 14, 2026 Meeting Minutes

To approve the draft May 14, 2026 IAC Meeting Minutes, as presented.

b. Contract Awards

To approve contract procurement as presented.

c. Revisions to Previously Approved Contracts

To approve the revisions to previously approved contract awards as presented to accurately reflect the adjustments to the State and local participation in the contract amounts, reversions of funds, and/or corrections to project allocation information.

d. Executive Director Approvals of Extensions to Special Funding Programs – [Informational Only]

e. Added Capacity Site Approval – Calvert County Public Schools – Calvert Elementary School (PSC L04F004) and Calvert Country School (PSC L04F012)

To approve Calvert County Public Schools' (CCPS) use of the existing Calvert Elementary School (PSC L04F004) and Calvert Country School (PSC L04F012) sites for the construction of a new colocated Calvert Elementary School and Calvert Country Facility (PSC L04F030) to replace their separate existing facilities, and to retain the existing facilities for future use as swing space; adhering to the actions identified in the State clearinghouse review, State identifier MD20260317-0121.

3. FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program Amendments – St. Mary's County Public Schools – [Motion Carried]

Director of Capital Projects Melissa Wilfong presented an amendment request from St. Mary's County Public Schools to redirect FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) funding from the Esperanza Middle (PSC L18F010) multisystemic project to the Leonardtown High (PSC L18F004) chiller replacement project. Ms. Wilfong stated that since the submission of the FY 2027 CIP, one of two chillers at Leonardtown High school has failed and the school is currently operating on a single chiller, causing strain on the system resulting in costly on-going repairs. She stated that funds needed for the Esperanza Middle school multisystemic project will be requested in the FY 2028 CIP.

Mr. Darenberg asked what the timeframe was for the new chiller installation. Ms. Wilfong stated that the LEA was intending to order immediately upon receiving funding approval, but they are unsure of the lead time for the equipment. Mr. Darenberg asked if the project would be completed prior to the next school year. Ms. Wilfong indicated that having the chiller installed before significant heat when the building is occupied is the LEA's goal. Mr. Darenberg asked if the new single chiller would replace the two chillers currently installed, or if it was only replacing the one chiller that had failed. Ms. Wilfong stated that the failed chiller would be removed and the new chiller would allow the building to continue to operate at full capacity.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Darenberg, seconded by Vice-chair Eberhart, the IAC voted unanimously to rescind \$3,658,447 of funding from the FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program award for the St. Mary's County Public Schools' Esperanza Middle (PSC L18F010) multisystemic project and transfer the rescinded funds to the LEA's reserve account; and, to amend the FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program Leonardtown High (PSC L18F004) chiller replacement to award \$1,295,689 from the LEA's reserve account to partially fund the project.

4. FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program Amendment and Maximum State Award Increase Request – St. Mary's County Public Schools – Chopticon High School (PSC L18F019) Multisystemic Project – [Motion Carried]

Ms. Wilfong presented a request from St. Mary's County Public Schools (SMCPS) to increase the Maximum State Award for the Chopticon High (PSC L18F019) multisystemic project, which had bids come in higher than

anticipated. Ms. Wilfong stated that the project expenditures were found to be reasonable by IAC staff, and that SMCPs was in compliance with the requirements of COMAR 14.39.02.08B. She added that funding awarded to the project was a combination of rescinded funds from previous projects, including funds that were rescinded as part of Item 3 of this agenda, and that the balance of funding would be requested in the FY 2028 CIP.

Chair Kasemeyer requested that Executive Director Donahue provide additional information on the request. Executive Director Donahue stated that this was an example of a district doing what they can to meet urgent project needs, and that the only way to do so in this case and many others is to delay less urgent projects. He added that situations such as this are not unique to SMCPs, that State and local funding amounts are not sufficient to meet all needs simultaneously, and that the IAC is doing what they can to assist the school district in finding funding for urgent projects.

Mr. Darenberg asked how the initial estimate was developed. Ms. Wilfong stated that this project had included escalation costs in the budget, but that the market exceeded those escalation amounts. Additionally, she added that due to the limited number of contractors in St. Mary's County, the significant scope of HVAC work, and the inclusion of alternates built into the bid packages were all factors that increased cost for this project specifically. Mr. Darenberg asked about other LEAs, stating that MSA increases seem to be requested more frequently. Deputy Director Cassandra Viscarra stated that most likely there seem to be a significant number of MSA increases for two reasons. She stated that frequently, LEAs are aware of these increases prior to the requests being brought to an IAC meeting, but wait until they receive final bids to request the increase so that the approved amount is accurate. Additionally, she stated that because MSA increases are individual items brought to IAC meetings and are discussed at length, whereas projects estimated at the correct amount are approved as part of the CIP each year in bulk, the discussion of project cost increases appears disproportionately frequent.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Darenberg, seconded by Vice-chair Eberhart, the IAC voted unanimously to increase the Maximum State Award for the Chopticon High (PSC L18F019) multisystemic project from \$33,056,182 to \$37,828,186, in accordance with COMAR 14.39.02.08B; and, to award \$2,736,916 from the LEA's reserve account to the FY 2027 Capital Improvement Program Chopticon High multisystemic project.

5. State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Project Funding Source Revisions — [Motion Carried]

Ms. Viscarra presented a request to reassign State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) from projects that initially received these funds that would be unable to meet the required Federal expenditure deadline. Ms. Viscarra stated that IAC staff worked with the Department of Budget and Management to have language added to the Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act that would permit these funding reassignments, so projects that comply with the expenditure deadline can utilize them. She stated that the change is largely an accounting funding source adjustment that would not ultimately impact which projects were approved for funding or the total amount of funding received. She stated that the item proposed to move SLFRF funding from seven projects in Baltimore City to a number of projects in other LEAs that meet all SLFRF requirements, with the Baltimore City projects instead receiving CIP and EGRC State funding.

Mr. Tallur asked whether this item was requiring reimbursements to be made from General Funds. Ms. Viscarra stated that these revisions would be largely administrative, that SLFRF funds are being assigned to projects that were already paid by adjusting the funding sources through a journal entry, and the projects with delays would be paid via other IAC capital funds.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Kothari, seconded by Vice-chair Eberhart, the IAC voted unanimously to approve the rescission of \$39,801,100 of federal State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds from the presented FY 2022 and

FY 2023 Healthy School Facility Fund projects in Table 1 and transfer the funds to the Statewide Reserve, to award the same amount of State funds to the presented projects in Table 1, and to revise the presented projects in Table 2 to apply SLFRF funds and revert the same amount of funds to the applicable LEA's Reserve Account.

6. Proposed COMAR Amendments to 14.39.02 and 14.39.04 – Departmental Bill — [Motion Carried]

Policy Analyst Victoria Howard presented amendments to the IAC's regulations in COMAR to align with the recently passed departmental bill, Senate Bill 48. She stated that the main revisions to COMAR included changing the term 'maximum State construction allocation' to 'Maximum State Award,' replacing the requirement for the 75% CIP approval by the Commission with notification letters to LEAs and local government entities indicating anticipated funding levels, and clarification that certain types of facility status change requirements apply when schools are no longer used for purposes eligible for school construction funding. She stated that the revisions would be published in the Maryland Register for public comment for 30 days after submission.

Krishna Tallur stated that MSDE appreciated the collaboration between the IAC and MSDE staff during the departmental bill drafting and review process and subsequent regulatory and procedural revisions.

Upon a motion made by Krishna Tallur, seconded by Vice-chair Eberhart, the IAC voted unanimously to approve amendments to COMAR 14.39.02 and 14.39.04 that incorporate revisions to regulations that were approved during the 2026 Legislative Session as a result of the passage of the IAC's Departmental Bill, Senate Bill 48.

7. Administrative Procedure Guide Amendments – Departmental Bill — [Motion Carried]

Ms. Viscarra presented amendments to the IAC's Administrative Procedures Guide (APG) which included some definition changes, required elements for facility status change submissions, a requirement for LEAs to notify the IAC of planned redistricting that would impact eligible enrollment, an adjustment to the section on educational specifications to provide better instructions to LEAs, clarifications on the timeframes of data used to determine State cost share add-ons, and the addition of Appendix C which outlines the requirements for projects utilizing federal funds.

Vice-chair Eberhart asked if any comments were received from LEA facility staff, or if they had any questions or concerns regarding the changes. Ms. Viscarra stated that staff had received no comments on these revisions since they were published one week ago, and prior revisions brought to the May IAC meeting were discussed in depth at the last Facility Planner Meeting held by the IAC.

Upon a motion made by Vice-chair Eberhart, seconded by Mr. Darenberg, the IAC voted unanimously to approve amendments to the IAC's Administrative Procedures Guide as presented and to authorize IAC staff to make non-substantive changes as needed.

Announcements:

Chair Kasemeyer announced that the July IAC meeting had moved from its original date of July 9, 2026 to July 16, 2026.

Adjournment:

Upon a motion by Vice-chair Eberhart seconded by Mr. Darenberg, the IAC voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 am.

Item 2.B. Contract Awards

Motion:

To approve the contract procurements and project reversions as presented on the following pages. Approval of the Charles County La Plata High School (PSC L08F013) modernization and addition project contract with Scheibel Construction, Inc. is contingent upon IAC receipt of written confirmation from the Maryland Historic Trust that the project has met MHT review requirements.

Background Information:

All public school construction projects that are awarded State funds are required to be reviewed by IAC staff and approved by the Commission. Contract approvals only apply previously awarded funds; they are not new approvals of funding.

This Item sets the exact funding amount that can be paid by the State on a given contract based upon a number of project-specific factors including, but not limited to:

- The total State funds that have been awarded to the project
- The amount of funds available after any prior contract approvals
- Review of eligible vs. ineligible expenses
- Use of prevailing wage rates, when required
- Inclusion of Minority Business Enterprise documentation
- Adherence to State procurement procedures
- Approval by the Local Board of Education

If an LEA confirms that a given contract will be the final contract for a project at the time that they request review and approval of a contract, this Item also reverts any remaining funds that will be unused when the project is complete.

The presented Contract Awards Report provides summary information, bid tabs and related documents are available upon request.

IAC staff recommend approval of the presented contracts.



Contract Awards Report

LEA Name	Project Name	PSC Number	Company Name	Recommended Local Funds	Recommended State Funds	Total Contract Amount	Applicable State Cost Share Percentage	Basis for Award of Contract	Date of the IAC Meeting	Recommended Reverted Funds	Recommended Reverted Funds Destination	Project Scope
Anne Arundel	Fort Smallwood Elementary/Roof	L02F031	Autumn Contracting, Inc.	\$1,558,250.00	\$1,508,250.00	\$3,066,500.00	50%	Base Bid	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Full replacement of approximately 64,400 sf 1999 roof.
Anne Arundel	Fort Smallwood Elementary/Roof	L02F031	Gales Associates, Inc.	\$127,664.74	\$127,664.74	\$255,329.48	50%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Design contract.
Anne Arundel	Arundel High/Elevator Modernization	L02F040	Kone, Inc.	\$261,784.90	\$87,215.10	\$349,000.00	24.99%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$142,841.90	LEA Reserve	Elevator replacement.
Anne Arundel	Windsor Farm Elementary/Roof	L02F047	Simpson Unlimited, Inc.	\$1,058,360.00	\$1,232,440.00	\$2,290,800.00	55%	Base Bid	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Replacement of approximately 57,000 sf 2003 roof. This is a partial roof replacement.
Anne Arundel	Windsor Farm Elementary/Roof	L02F047	Gales Associates, Inc.	\$113,291.94	\$138,467.92	\$251,759.86	55%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Design contract.
Anne Arundel	Corkran Middle/Elevator Modernization	L02F051	Kone, Inc.	\$200,223.36	\$58,376.64	\$258,600.00	24.99%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$156,212.05	LEA Reserve	Elevator replacement.
Baltimore City	William H. Lemmel Building #079/Parking Lot Repaving	L30F040	P. Flanigan & Sons	\$ -	\$389,740.98	\$389,740.98	100%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Parking lot milling, paving, and markings.
Baltimore City	NAF Middle #421 @ Thomas G. Hayes Bldg #102/Exterior Door Monitoring System	L30F275	Convergint Technologies, LLC.	\$ -	\$93,794.52	\$93,794.52	100%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$0.48	LEA Reserve	Exterior and interior CCTV and intercom.
Baltimore County	Halethorpe Elementary/HVAC and Open Space Enclosure	L03F005	Towson Mechanical, Inc.	\$2,918,020.00	\$5,644,980.00	\$8,563,000.00	66%	Base Bid	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Replacement of the full 2001 HVAC system for the 50,335 sf building and renovation to enclose approximately 10,000 sf of open space classrooms.
Baltimore County	Halethorpe Elementary/HVAC and Open Space Enclosure	L03F005	Design Collective, Inc.	\$256,388.15	\$497,694.64	\$754,082.79	66%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$136,542.36	LEA Reserve	Design contract for HVAC replacement and open space enclosure project.
Carroll	Oklahoma Road Middle/Roof Replacement	L06F043	SGK Contracting, Inc.	\$1,291,354.00	\$2,106,946.00	\$3,398,300.00	62%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$2,735,254.00	Statewide Reserve	Partial roof replacement.
Carroll	Shiloh Middle/Roof	L06F054	SGK Contracting, Inc.	\$1,517,678.00	\$1,781,622.00	\$3,299,300.00	54%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$1,998,378.00	Statewide Reserve	Replacement of 116,538 sf 2000 roof. This is a full roof replacement.
Charles	La Plata High/Modernization&Addition	L08F013	Scheibel Construction, Inc.	\$110,189,571.00	\$22,882,703.00	\$133,072,274.00	71%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Renewal of 170,362 gsf of the 1979 high school, demolition of 3,956 gsf, and addition of 72,243 gsf to serve 1,594 students.
Frederick	Middletown High/Roof Section B	L10F005	Colimore Architects, Inc.	\$3,270.12	\$8,408.88	\$11,679.00	72%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$207,935.12	Statewide Reserve	Design services for partial roof replacement; section B.
Frederick	Middletown High/Roof Section B	L10F005	Houck Services, Inc.	\$242,144.00	\$532,656.00	\$774,800.00	72%	Base Bid	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Construction contract for partial roof replacement; section B.
Frederick	Brunswick High Replacement	L10F036	Moseley Architects	\$1,252,017.00	\$3,563,433.00	\$4,815,450.00	74%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Design services.
Montgomery	Drew (Dr. Charles) Elementary/HVAC	L15F169	James Posey Associates	\$124,000.00	\$124,000.00	\$248,000.00	55%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Design services for HVAC replacement.
Montgomery	Montgomery Blair High/Roof - Phase 3	L15F171	R. D. Bean, Inc.	\$660,687.50	\$660,687.50	\$1,321,375.00	50%	Base Bid	07.16.2026	\$880,742.50	LEA Reserve	Phase 3 of the replacement of the 51,900 sf 1998 roof. This is a partial roof replacement.
Montgomery	Kennedy (John F.) High/Roof	L15F172	Cole Roofing Company, Inc.	\$1,098,738.00	\$1,342,902.00	\$2,441,640.00	55%	Base Bid	07.16.2026	\$1,701,942.00	LEA Reserve	Phase two of the replacement of the 93,200 sf 1999 roof. This is a partial roof replacement.
Montgomery	Matsunaga (Spark M.) Elementary/HVAC	L15F254	Burdette, Koehler, Murphy & Assoc.	\$174,900.00	\$174,900.00	\$349,800.00	55%	Proposal	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Design services.
Prince George's	Thomas G. Pullen Creative and Performing Arts Academy/Roof Replacement	L16F122	SGK Contracting, Inc.	\$1,483,000.00	\$2,856,000.00	\$4,339,000.00	68%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$252,280.00	LEA Reserve	Replacement of approximately 89,200 sf of the 2000 roof. This is a full roof replacement.

LEA Name	Project Name	PSC Number	Company Name	Recommended Local Funds	Recommended State Funds	Total Contract Amount	Applicable State Cost Share Percentage	Basis for Award of Contract	Date of the IAC Meeting	Recommended Reverted Funds	Recommended Reverted Funds Destination	Project Scope
Prince George's	Scotchtown Hills Elementary/Roof Replacement	L16F127	Autumn Contracting, Inc.	\$837,936.00	\$1,674,364.00	\$2,512,300.00	73%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$238,236.00	LEA Reserve	Replacement of approximately 50,100 sf of the 1995 roof. This is a full roof replacement.
Prince George's	Benjamin Stoddert Middle/Roof Replacement	L16F152	Autumn Contracting, Inc.	\$839,760.00	\$1,678,240.00	\$2,518,000.00	73%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$265,751.00	LEA Reserve	Full roof replacement of the approximately 51,000 sf 1995 roof.
Prince George's	James McHenry Elementary/Roof Replacement	L16F154	Autumn Contracting, Inc.	\$1,073,040.00	\$2,173,960.00	\$3,247,000.00	86%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$835,240.00	Statewide Reserve	Full replacement of the approximately 48,000 sf 1999 roof.
Prince George's	Melwood Elementary/Roof Replacement	L16F168	SGK Contracting, Inc.	\$1,121,440.00	\$2,102,560.00	\$3,224,000.00	68%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$241,400.00	LEA Reserve	Full replacement of the approximately 65,900 sf 1996 roof.
Prince George's	Duval High/Bleacher and Press-Box Replacement	L16F194	LDD Sports Construction, LLC	\$553,757.40	\$1,209,426.00	\$1,763,183.40	100%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$ -	-	Bleacher and press box replacement including demolition, excavation, and concrete foundations to support the new installation.
Prince George's	Martin Luther King Jr. Middle/Roof Replacement	L16F213	SGK Contracting, Inc.	\$1,461,840.00	\$3,000,160.00	\$4,462,000.00	73%	Base Bid Plus Alternates	07.16.2026	\$428,651.00	LEA Reserve	Full replacement of the approximately 89,900 sf 1972 roof.
Queen Anne's	Kennard Elementary/Roof	L17F012	Garland/DBS, Inc.	\$988,378.65	\$1,208,018.35	\$2,196,397.00	55%	Base Bid	07.16.2026	\$639,981.65	Statewide Reserve	Replacement of the approximately 45,000 sf 2001 roof. This is partial roof replacement



Item 2.C. Executive Director Approvals of Extensions to Special Funding Programs

Motion:

This item is informational and does not require IAC action.

Background Information:

In the past 45 days, the Executive Director of the IAC authorized one deadline extension, for the Baltimore City Public Schools' Thomas G. Hayes Building #102 (PSC L30F275) exterior door monitoring system project, funded via the Aging Schools Program. This approval extended the reimbursement request deadline from 12/2/2024 to 8/30/2026.



**Item 2.D. Cancellation of Contract Awards – Dorchester County Public Schools – South
Dorchester PreK-8 (PSC L09F012) HVAC/Fire Safety**

Motion:

To approve the cancellation of the Dorchester County Public Schools (DCPS) FY 2024 Capital Improvement Program South Dorchester PreK-8 (PSC L09F012) HVAC/Fire Safety project contract awards to T&G Moving Company for \$24,801 and AIM Service, Incorporated for \$28,000.

Background Information:

On June 13, 2024, the IAC approved a contract between DCPS and T&G Moving Company totaling \$24,801, which included a State share of \$23,064 and local share of \$1,737 for the HVAC/Fire Safety project at South Dorchester PreK-8.

On September 11, 2025, the IAC also approved a contract between DCPS and AIM Services Incorporated pursuant to the authority delegated to IAC staff in the IAC's Administrative Procedures Guide Section 3.U.3, totaling \$28,000 that included a State award of \$26,040 and Local share of \$1,960.

After further investigation, IAC staff determined that the Maximum State of Award totaling \$8,307,000 had previously been assigned to the Bancroft Construction Company contract and that no funding was available for award for the T&G Moving Company and AIM Services, Incorporated contract. To date, there have been no State funds expended on the contract. The total amount of the contracts will be paid fully with local funds.

IAC staff recommend approval of the two contract cancellations.

Item 2.E. Change of Educational Function – Baltimore City Public Schools – George McMechen Property (PSC L30F074)

Motion:

This item is informational and does not require IAC action.

Background Information:

At the September 8, 2022 IAC meeting, the IAC voted unanimously to approve the transfer of the George McMechen Property (PSC L30F074) located at 4411 Garrison Blvd, Baltimore, Maryland 21215. The site was subsequently transferred to Baltimore City, and bond debt payment for a total of \$126,448.70 was received on June 12, 2025.

Baltimore City Public Schools informed IAC staff on June 24, 2026 that the McMechen property would be reacquired by City Schools for administrative purposes, for use as a transportation hub. Since this property is not a school facility, a site approval by the IAC and State Superintendent is not required. However, this informational Item serves to inform the IAC that this former school property is again in the City Schools portfolio, and that the IAC's Facility Inventory Database will be updated to reflect such.

Item 2.F. Change in School Name – Anne Arundel County Public Schools

Motion:

This item is informational and does not require IAC action.

Background Information:

On June 16, 2026 Anne Arundel County Public Schools informed IAC staff that the facility currently named Staff Development at Carver (PSC L02F142) is to be renamed the Carver Early Education Center, and that the facility will be changing in use from an administrative use space to a Pre-K center.

Item 3. FY 2026 Nonpublic Aging Schools Program – Amendments Project Approvals and Awards

Motion:

To approve amendments to the FY 2026 Senator James E. “Ed” DeGrange Nonpublic Aging Schools Program project awards to 176 nonpublic schools as presented, totaling \$3,499,999.78.

Background Information:

The annual Capital Budget includes \$3,500,000 for the Senator James E. “Ed” DeGrange Nonpublic Aging Schools Program (NASP), which is administered jointly by the Maryland State Department of Education and the IAC to provide grants of general obligation bond proceeds to nonpublic schools for facility renovation and improvements.

The FY 2026 grant awards for 175 nonpublic schools were approved at the March 13, 2026, IAC Meeting. Due to an error during the FY 2026 application period, several school applications had to be reset to resolve the issue. All but one school was able to resubmit before the application deadline after being contacted. One school (Good Shepherd Preschool #09-21-8517 in Baltimore City) was unable to resubmit in time due to a communication error on MSDE’s part. After discussion with the school and internal deliberation between MSDE and IAC legal teams, it was decided to amend the FY 2026 awards to include this school. The prior grant awards were set at:

- \$7,142.87 for each school with one criterion (total of 43 schools);
- \$21,428.57 for each school with two criteria (total of 81 schools); and
- \$28,571.42 for each school with three criteria (total of 51 schools of which 16 are in the Nonpublic Placement Program).

The addition of this school adjusts the prorated maximum award amounts to the following:

- \$7,099.39 for each school with one criterion (total of 43 schools), for a reduction of \$43.48 per school;
- \$21,298.17 for each school with two criteria (total of 82 schools), for a reduction of \$130.40 per school; and
- \$28,397.57 for each school with three criteria (total of 51 schools of which 16 are in the Nonpublic Placement Program), for a reduction of \$173.85 per school.

The grant awards for the FY 2026 NASP total to \$3,499,999.78 as shown on the following pages. MSDE and IAC staff recommend approval of the presented awards.

County	School	Project Type	Award
Allegany	Bishop Walsh School	Doors	\$28,397.57
Allegany	Calvary Christian Academy	Roofing	\$21,298.17
Anne Arundel	Archbishop Spalding High School	Roofing	\$21,298.17
Anne Arundel	Elvaton Christian Academy	Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Structural	\$7,099.39
Anne Arundel	Monsignor Slade Catholic School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Anne Arundel	Montessori International Children's House	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Roofing, Site Development, Structural, Telecommunications, Windows, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Anne Arundel	Rockbridge Academy	Windows	\$7,099.39
Anne Arundel	School of the Incarnation	Windows	\$7,099.39
Anne Arundel	St. John the Evangelist School	Mechanical Systems	\$7,099.39
Anne Arundel	St. Martin's School of Annapolis	Interior Renovations, Windows	\$21,298.17
Anne Arundel	St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal School	Electrical System	\$7,099.39
Anne Arundel	St. Mary's Elementary School	Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Anne Arundel	St. Mary's High School	Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Anne Arundel	St. Philip Neri School	Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System	\$7,099.39
Anne Arundel	Summit School, The	Interior Renovations	\$28,397.57
Baltimore	Al-Rahmah School	Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Bais Yaakov School for Girls	Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Beth Tfiloh Dahan Community School	Interior Renovations	\$7,099.39
Baltimore	Calvert Hall College High School	Doors	\$7,099.39
Baltimore	Concordia Preparatory School	Site Development	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Havenwood Preschool Center	Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Hunt's Church Preschool of HMUMC	Doors, Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Site Development, Structural, Telecommunications, Windows, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Immaculate Conception School	Telecommunications	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Immaculate Heart of Mary School	Doors, Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	JEWELS School	Interior Renovations	\$28,397.57
Baltimore	JEWELS School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Mesivta Kesser Torah of Baltimore	Mechanical Systems	\$28,397.57
Baltimore	Mount de Sales Academy	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Notre Dame Preparatory School	Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Our Lady of Hope/St. Luke School	Roofing, Windows	\$28,397.57
Baltimore	Our Lady of Mount Carmel School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Structural, Windows, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Pilgrim Christian Day School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Site Development	\$28,397.57
Baltimore	Rock Church Academy	Doors, Mechanical Systems, Windows	\$7,099.39
Baltimore	Sacred Heart School	Structural, Electrical System	\$7,099.39
Baltimore	Sisters Academy of Baltimore	Doors, Mechanical Systems	\$28,397.57
Baltimore	St. John the Evangelist School	Doors, Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	St. Joseph School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	St. Joseph's School	Telecommunications	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	St. Mark School	Plumbing System, Structural	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	St. Michael - St. Clement School	Plumbing System, Telecommunications	\$28,397.57
Baltimore	St. Paul's Lutheran School	Interior Renovations, Structural	\$7,099.39
Baltimore	St. Peter's Elementary School	Mechanical Systems, Roofing, Windows	\$28,397.57
Baltimore	St. Stephen School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Structural, Windows	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	St. Ursula School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Talmudical Academy of Baltimore, Inc.	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Torah Institute of Baltimore	Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Willow Park Academy	Roofing, Site Development, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Baltimore	Yeshivas Toras Simcha	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Archbishop Borders Elementary School	Roofing, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Archbishop Curley High School	Interior Renovations, Plumbing System	\$21,298.17
Baltimore City	Arts & Ideas Sudbury School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Baltimore City	Bnos Yisroel of Baltimore	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Roofing, Structural, Telecommunications, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Cardinal Shehan School	Interior Renovations, Plumbing System	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Cathedral Christian Academy	Doors, Mechanical Systems	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Catholic High School of Baltimore, The	Telecommunications, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Baltimore City	Cheder Chabad, Inc.	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Roofing	\$28,397.57

County	School	Project Type	Award
Baltimore City	Children's Guild - Transformation Academy, The	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Windows, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Children's Guild School of Baltimore, The	Doors	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Chimes School, The	Doors, Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Community School, The	Doors, Interior Renovations, Windows, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Gateway School	Interior Renovations	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Good Shepherd Preschool	Flooring, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Baltimore City	Greater Grace Christian Academy	Mechanical Systems	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Greater Youth Academy, The	Doors, Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Windows, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Kennedy Krieger School: Fairmount Campus	Interior Renovations	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Kennedy Krieger School: Greenspring Campus	Interior Renovations, Structural	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Mount Saint Joseph High School	Electrical System	\$7,099.39
Baltimore City	Ner Tamid Montessori	Doors, Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Site Development, Structural, Windows	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Ohr Chadash Academy	Site Development	\$21,298.17
Baltimore City	School of the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen	Roofing	\$21,298.17
Baltimore City	St. Casimir Catholic School	Roofing	\$21,298.17
Baltimore City	St. Elizabeth School	Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	St. Francis of Assisi School	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems	\$28,397.57
Baltimore City	Waldorf School of Baltimore, The	Mechanical Systems	\$7,099.39
Calvert	Cardinal Hickey Academy	Structural	\$7,099.39
Calvert	Our Lady Star of the Sea School	Mechanical Systems, Roofing	\$21,298.17
Calvert	Tidewater School, The	Doors, Interior Renovations, Windows	\$7,099.39
Caroline	Benedictine School, The	Site Development	\$28,397.57
Carroll	Montessori School of Westminster, The	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Electrical System	\$7,099.39
Carroll	St. John School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Cecil	Good Shepherd Catholic School	Site Development	\$28,397.57
Cecil	Mount Aviat Academy	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Charles	Archbishop Neale Elementary School	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Charles	St. Mary's School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Charles	St. Peter's School	Doors, Mechanical Systems, Structural, Windows	\$21,298.17
Frederick	Banner School, The	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Frederick	Calvary United Methodist Church Weekday School	Elevator, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Frederick	Lucy School	Plumbing System, Structural	\$21,298.17
Frederick	Mother Seton School	Interior Renovations	\$7,099.39
Frederick	Saint John's Catholic Preparatory School, Inc.	Mechanical Systems	\$7,099.39
Frederick	St. John Regional Catholic School	Mechanical Systems, Telecommunications, Electrical System	\$7,099.39
Harford	John Carroll School, Inc., The	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Roofing	\$21,298.17
Harford	St. Joan of Arc School	Structural, Windows	\$7,099.39
Harford	St. Margaret School	Doors, Windows	\$21,298.17
Howard	Our Lady of Perpetual Help School	Mechanical Systems	\$7,099.39
Howard	Resurrection/St. Paul School	Interior Renovations	\$7,099.39
Howard	St. Augustine School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Howard	St. Louis School	Plumbing System	\$7,099.39
Howard	Trinity School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	Alef Bet Montessori School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Site Development, Structural, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Montgomery	Butler Montessori	Interior Renovations	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	Christ Episcopal Day School	Windows	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	Don Bosco Cristo Rey High School	Doors, Windows	\$28,397.57
Montgomery	Geneva Day School	Interior Renovations, Site Development, Structural, Windows	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	Grace Episcopal Day School	Mechanical Systems, Telecommunications	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	Holy Cross School	Doors	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	Holy Redeemer School- Kensington	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Site Development	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	Ivymount School, The	Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Montgomery	Little Flower School	Site Development, Telecommunications	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	Marcia D. Smith School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Plumbing System	\$28,397.57
Montgomery	Mary of Nazareth Roman Catholic School	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Roofing, Telecommunications	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	Mater Amoris Montessori School	Windows	\$7,099.39

County	School	Project Type	Award
Montgomery	Melvin J Berman Hebrew Academy	Interior Renovations	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	Mother of God School	Roofing	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	Our Lady of Lourdes School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	Our Lady of Mercy School	Doors	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	Saint Francis International School	Doors, Site Development, Structural, Windows	\$28,397.57
Montgomery	Seneca Academy	Doors, Mechanical Systems, Structural, Windows	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	Spring Bilingual Montessori Academy	Doors, Windows	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. Andrew Apostle School	Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. Bartholomew's School	Telecommunications, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. Bernadette School	Elevator, Doors, Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. Elizabeth School	Plumbing System, Site Development	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. James' Children's School	Windows	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	St. Jane de Chantal School	Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. John the Baptist School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. John the Evangelist School	Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Site Development	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. Jude Catholic School	Interior Renovations	\$28,397.57
Montgomery	St. Martin of Tours School	Doors, Mechanical Systems, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. Mary's School	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems	\$28,397.57
Montgomery	St. Patrick School	Plumbing System, Structural	\$7,099.39
Montgomery	St. Peter's School	Interior Renovations, Windows	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	St. Raphael School	Doors, Plumbing System	\$21,298.17
Montgomery	Torah School of Greater Washington	Roofing	\$28,397.57
Montgomery	Yeshiva of Greater Washington	Roofing	\$28,397.57
Montgomery	Yeshiva of Greater Washington	Mechanical Systems, Roofing	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	Mandala School, Inc., The	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Roofing, Site Development, Structural, Telecommunications, Windows, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Prince George's	Al-Huda School	Telecommunications	\$7,099.39
Prince George's	Bishop McNamara High School	Windows	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	Elizabeth Seton High School	Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	Fairhaven School	Interior Renovations, Site Development, Telecommunications	\$28,397.57
Prince George's	Foundation School, The	Mechanical Systems	\$7,099.39
Prince George's	George E. Peters Seventh Day Adventist Elementary School	Site Development	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	Holy Redeemer Elementary School- College Park	Site Development	\$28,397.57
Prince George's	Kennedy Krieger School: Powder Mill Campus	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	M & M Learning Center	Doors, Interior Renovations, Windows	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	New Chapel Christian Academy	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	New Hope Academy	Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Roofing, Windows, Electrical System	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	Saint Columba School	Telecommunications	\$7,099.39
Prince George's	Saint Jerome Academy	Doors, Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	St. Ambrose School	Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	St. John the Evangelist School	Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System	\$28,397.57
Prince George's	St. Joseph Regional School	Interior Renovations, Roofing, Telecommunications	\$28,397.57
Prince George's	St. Mary of the Assumption School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Site Development, Telecommunications	\$21,298.17
Prince George's	St. Mary of the Mills School	Doors, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Telecommunications, Windows	\$7,099.39
Prince George's	St. Mary's School	Roofing	\$28,397.57
Prince George's	St. Mary's School of Piscataway	Interior Renovations, Structural, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
Prince George's	St. Pius X Regional School	Electrical System	\$7,099.39
Prince George's	The Children's Guild School of Prince George's County	Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Electrical System	\$28,397.57
St. Mary's	King's Christian Academy, The	Doors, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System, Roofing, Windows, Electrical System	\$7,099.39
St. Mary's	Little Flower School	Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Site Development, Windows	\$21,298.17
St. Mary's	Mother Catherine Academy	Site Development	\$28,397.57
St. Mary's	St. John's School	Doors	\$7,099.39
St. Mary's	St. Mary's Ryken High School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
St. Mary's	St. Michael's School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Plumbing System, Windows	\$28,397.57
Talbot	SS. Peter and Paul Elementary School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Windows	\$21,298.17
Washington	Cedar Ridge School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Structural	\$28,397.57

County	School	Project Type	Award
Washington	Global Vision Christian School Broadfording (formerly Broadfording Christian Academy)	Site Development	\$21,298.17
Washington	Mt. Aetna SDA School	Doors, Interior Renovations, Telecommunications	\$28,397.57
Washington	St. Mary's Catholic School	Interior Renovations	\$21,298.17
Washington	Truth Christian Academy	Mechanical Systems	\$28,397.57
Wicomico	Asbury Child Development Center	Site Development	\$21,298.17
Wicomico	Salisbury School	Mechanical Systems	\$7,099.39
Wicomico	St. Francis de Sales Catholic School	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems	\$21,298.17
Wicomico	Wicomico Day School	Interior Renovations, Mechanical Systems, Plumbing System	\$21,298.17
Worcester	Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School	Interior Renovations, Plumbing System	\$7,099.39
Total	n/a	n/a	\$3,499,999.78

Item 4. FY 2028 LEA Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Target Allocations

Motion:

To approve the FY 2028 Local Education Agency (LEA) CIP target allocations as presented.

Background Information:

The implementation of projected CIP target allocations for local entities has proven effective in facilitating the planning and execution of capital improvement projects. To this end, the target allocations for the current fiscal year were formulated based upon each LEA's respective share of statewide enrollment, with adjustments applied for local county wealth. This methodology further accounts for necessary increases regarding critical project cash flows based on contemporary estimates and guarantees that each LEA is granted a minimum allocation equivalent to at least one percent of the total base CIP funding.

Additionally, IAC staff recommends the continuation of the established practice of reserving \$5 million within a statewide account. These funds are restricted for the management of out-of-cycle design funding requests and to mitigate unforeseen escalations in project costs, and the amount may be reduced throughout the project recommendation process.

While these targets serve as a foundation for planning, the final CIP award amount allocated to an LEA remains contingent upon several variables, including the finalized capital budget, project eligibility, statewide priorities, and cash-flow projections.

Consistent with prior years, staff will engage in consultations with State decision-makers during the development of the FY 2028 budget to convey that current allocation levels do not sufficiently address statewide requirements.

FY 2028 LEA CIP Target Allocations

LEA	FY 2028 CIP Target Allocation
Allegany	\$3,738,863
Anne Arundel	\$18,422,024
Baltimore City	\$30,524,876
Baltimore County	\$29,156,190
Calvert	\$4,018,922
Caroline	\$2,750,000
Carroll	\$6,979,629

LEA	FY 2028 CIP Target Allocation
Cecil	\$6,000,000
Charles	\$9,248,034
Dorchester	\$2,750,000
Frederick	\$13,751,845
Garrett	\$2,750,000
Harford	\$10,567,183
Howard	\$13,186,877
Kent	\$8,000,000
Montgomery	\$28,678,314
Prince George's	\$40,994,565
Queen Anne's	\$2,750,000
Somerset	\$2,750,000
St. Mary's	\$4,870,382
Talbot	\$2,750,000
Washington	\$8,376,546
Wicomico	\$7,235,750
Worcester	\$2,750,000
Maryland School for the Blind	\$12,000,000
Statewide Reserve Fund	\$5,000,000
Total	\$280,000,000

Note that three LEAs — Cecil, Kent, and Maryland School for the Blind — have target allocations adjusted to meet the needs of their ongoing projects to which the State has committed with an understanding that the cash flow provided by the calculated allocations will be insufficient to meet project needs.

IAC staff recommend approval.

Item 5. 2027 Cost per Square Foot for School Construction

Motion:

To adopt the Calendar Year 2027 Statewide per-square-foot school construction cost of \$448 for building only.

Background Information:

COMAR 14.39.02.07F requires the IAC to establish the average Statewide per-square-foot school building cost that will apply to the State Capital Improvement Program and other applicable programs by July of the calendar year in which applications are submitted. The cost per square foot approved at this IAC meeting, in July 2026, will apply to projects that receive their first year of construction funding from January 1 to December 31, 2027, and is based on bids received for new school construction in the prior calendar year and cost information derived from industry sources.

Based on the review of these resources, the IAC staff recommends that the IAC approve for calendar year 2027 a 4% increase to the calendar year 2026 cost per square foot resulting in a 2027 figure of \$448 per square foot for building only. The IAC adds 19% for site development for new and replacement projects. The allowable cost per square foot for projects that receive the additional 19% for site development will be \$533.

This increase is consistent with industry sources and maintains the IAC's historic approach of remaining conservative in its projections in order to ensure that available funding can be allocated to support the maximum number of eligible projects and to avoid exceeding actual bid prices in volatile markets. In addition, the IAC maintains the authority to consider changes to an individual project's Maximum State Award using the factors identified in COMAR 14.39.02.08 and has exercised that authority in recent years when sufficient justification has been provided by an LEA.

IAC staff recommend approval of this Item.

Alex Donahue, Executive Director
Lisa Vaughn, Lead Capital Projects Manager



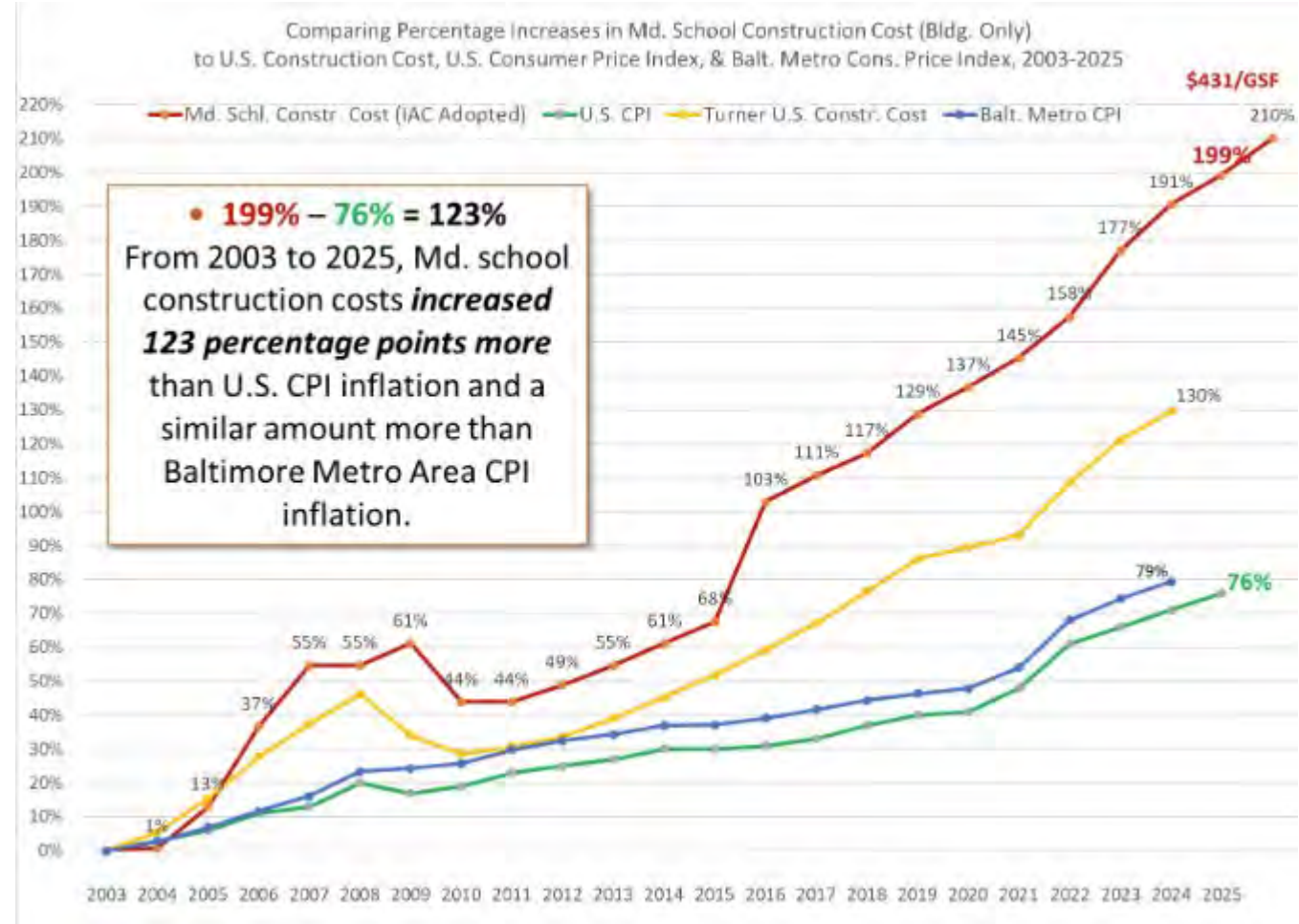
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Cost per Square Foot

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Historic Increases

Calendar Year	IAC Approved Cost per SF	% increase from prior year
2027	\$448	4.0%
2026	\$431	3.5%
2025	\$416	3.0%
2024	\$404	5.0%
2023	\$385	7.5%
2022	\$358	5.0%
2021	\$341	3.5%
2020	\$329	3.6%
2019	\$318	5.3%
2018	\$302	3.0%



Industry Sources



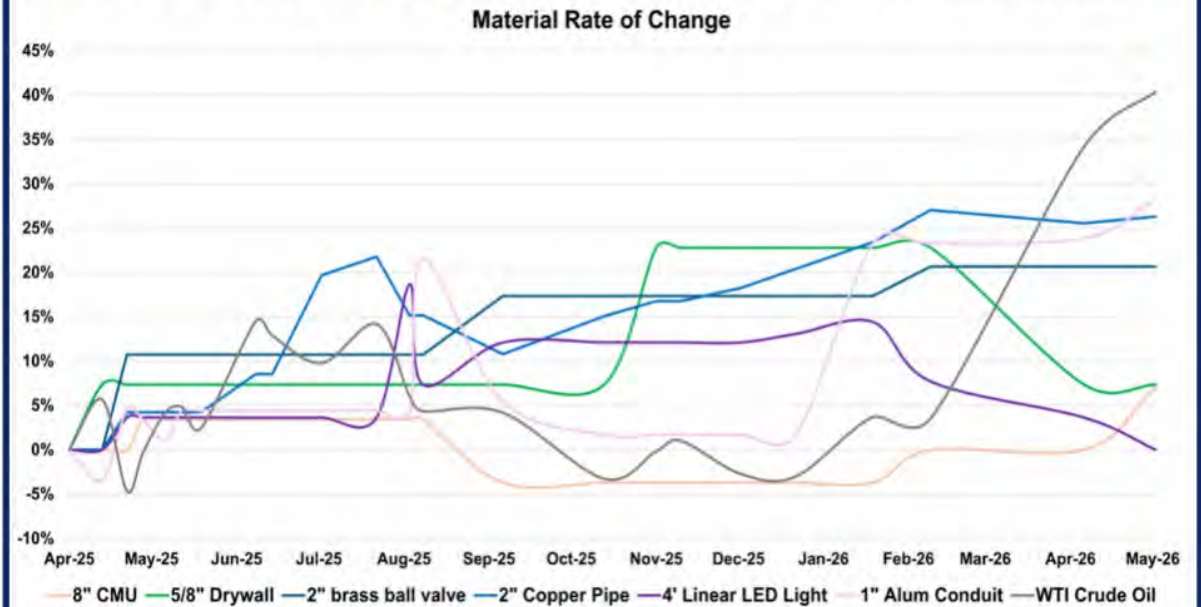
Key Takeaways

- 1 Construction material pricing entered 2026 in a more stable position.
- 2 Labor remains the most consistent upward force on installed costs.
- 3 Metals and electrical systems represent ongoing areas of pressure.
- 4 Structural and envelope materials have exhibited greater stability.
- 5 Regional and sector-specific factors continue to influence cost behavior.
- 6 Reduced tariff-related uncertainty has supported more confident procurement planning.
- 7 2026 is likely to reflect gradual adjustment rather than renewed volatility.

Construction Cost Insite Report Q1



MATERIAL PRICE PROGRESSION: PERCENTAGE CHANGE SINCE APRIL 2025



Construction Economics 2026 2nd Quarter

Select Regional Comparison

Downsville Pike Elementary - Washington County

Total Square Footage	Total Bid Amount including site	Total Amount w/o site	Cost per SF w/o site	Percentage of cost per SF over IAC cost per SF
83,555 gsf	\$37,752,260	\$33,252,260	\$398	-8%

Fruitland Primary - Wicomico County

Total Square Footage	Total Bid Amount including site	Total Amount w/o site	Cost per SF w/o site	Percentage of cost per SF over IAC cost per SF
110,789 gsf	\$68,260,000	\$61,894,612	\$559	23%

Scotts Branch Elementary - Baltimore County

Total Square Footage	Total Bid Amount including site	Total Amount w/o site	Cost per SF w/o site	Percentage of cost per SF over IAC cost per SF
96,739 gsf	\$55,235,970	\$44,435,970	\$460	11%

Maximum State Award Increase Major Capital Projects

Allows the IAC flexibility to increase project funding on a case-by-case basis due to volatility of the current market.

Per COMAR 14.39.02.08C,
The IAC may increase the maximum State construction allocation for a project other than a capital maintenance project if the LEA documents that the:

- (1) Project has critical impact on the LEA's budget;*
- (2) LEA has taken reasonable actions to reduce construction costs; and*
- (3) Construction costs that have resulted from exceptional circumstances or circumstances that are different from those that confront most projects in the State or region.*

Major Capital Projects with Approved MSAs

LEA	School	Approved cost per SF	Increase to cost per SF
Prince George's	Suitland High	\$358	\$576
Baltimore County	Lansdowne High	\$358	\$397.50
Baltimore City	Furley Elementary	\$341	\$547

Maximum State Award Increase Capital Maintenance Projects

The cost per SF that is presented today is for the total costs of constructing a school. The most recent MSA increases the IAC has approved have been for capital maintenance projects, particularly HVAC projects.

Per COMAR 14.39.02.08B,
The IAC may increase the maximum State construction allocation for a capital maintenance project when:

- (1) *The LEA submits:*
 - (a) *The final project scope of work; and*
 - (b) *A cost estimate developed by a design professional licensed in the State of Maryland or the bid tabulation for the project;*
- (2) *The LEA documents that the:*
 - (a) *LEA has taken reasonable actions to reduce construction costs; and*
 - (b) *Construction costs have resulted from exceptional circumstances*

# of capital maintenance projects approved for MSA increase in the last year	# of those projects that involved HVAC
11	9

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Item 6. Capital Improvement Program Instructions Amendments, Application Development Process, and FY 2028 Schedule

Motion:

To approve the FY 2028 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) schedule and the revised CIP instructions as presented.

Background Information:

Each year, the IAC publishes fiscal year-specific factors related to the annual CIP cycle, including:

- LEA Target allocation (for consideration in Item 4 of this agenda)
- Cost per square foot (for consideration in Item 5 of this agenda)
- Schedule (for consideration in this agenda item below)
- Enrollment Growth and Relocatable Classrooms (EGRC) funding estimates (calculated based upon a statutory formula and estimated in this agenda item)

As a result of legislation that passed in 2026 and that eliminated the 75% IAC CIP approval, beginning with the FY 2028 CIP, IAC staff will provide three reports to be distributed to LEAs and local county governments providing details on the status of project funding requests, the estimated or adopted Maximum State Awards, and anticipated funding levels. The first report will be made available to LEAs and Local Governments in November of 2026. The second and third reports, to be available in December 2026 and January 2027 respectively, will also contain the projected 100% CIP award for projects that applied for funding in the FY 2028 CIP.

The FY 2028 CIP schedule is proposed as follows:

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|--------------------|---|
| 7/31/2026: | New CIP Application Development Process opens in the BMS. This process will be used in lieu of forms 102b, 102c, and 102d. |
| 8/31/2026 | CIP Application process opens in the BMS. |
| 10/5/2026: | Deadline for LEAs to submit FY 2028 CIP requests in the BMS. |
| 11/30/2026: | Deadline for LEAs to notify IAC of final amendments to the FY 2028 CIP request and provide letters of support from the Board of Education and local government (required) in the BMS. |
| 11/30/2026: | IAC staff to distribute the first report on project statuses. |
| 12/31/2026: | IAC staff to distribute the second report on project statuses. |
| 1/31/2027: | IAC staff to distribute the third report on project statuses. |
| 2/11/2027: | IAC adoption of the 90% CIP. |

5/13/2027: IAC adoption of the 100% CIP.

FY 2028 Estimated Enrollment Growth and Relocatable Classrooms (EGRC) Allocations

LEAs are eligible for EGRC funding if their enrollment growth is significant (150% of the statewide average growth over five years) or if they utilize a significant number of relocatable classrooms (averaging 250 or more over five years). EGRC funding totaling \$80 million is allocated per a statutory formula and estimated allocations for eligible LEAs are as follows.

LEA	Qualifies Based on Enrollment	Qualifies based on # of Relocatables	9/30/2025 Full-Time Equivalent Enrollment	% of Total Statewide Enrollment	FY 2028 Estimated EGRC Allocation
Anne Arundel	X		81,923.25	9.69%	\$9,668,428
Baltimore City	X		71,496.00	8.45%	\$8,437,824
Baltimore County		X	103,655.25	12.26%	\$12,233,198
Carroll	X		25,199.25	2.98%	\$2,973,968
Charles	X	X	26,692.75	3.16%	\$3,150,228
Frederick	X		49,190.75	5.46%	\$5,451,346
Montgomery		X	150,929.00	17.85%	\$17,812,357
Prince George's	X	X	125,898.25	14.89%	\$14,858,275
Queen Anne's	X		7,115.00	0.84%	\$839,699
Somerset	X		2,572.00	0.30%	\$303,543
Washington	X		21,513.25	2.54%	\$2,538,953
Wicomico	X		14,677.25	1.74%	\$1,732,181

Typically, the IAC approves changes to instructions or procedures rather than adopting new procedures wholesale. However, due to extensive edits — some of which are substantive but most which were made for clarity, simplicity, or to comply with accessibility requirements — IAC staff recommend adoption of new CIP instructions.

IAC staff recommend approval of the FY 2028 CIP Schedule and the revised CIP Instructions.

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FY 2028 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) New BMS CIP Application Development Process

July 16, 2026

BMS CIP Application Development

What is it: A tool to replace the Excel-based 102 project application forms

Pre-Application Process

Not the CIP application process, a development process prior to submission of the official application.

LEA Managed

The first BMS process designed to be started by and managed by the LEA.

Always Available

Open for use all year long with information permanently retained.

Decision Support

Designed to support early project planning decisions.

Goals and Benefits

This process is designed to support the iterative process of CIP development for the LEA.

Eliminate Duplicate Work

Streamlines efforts by removing redundant Funding and Planning forms.

Early Application

Start the CIP application process months in advance for better preparation.

BMS Support

The new process is fully supported within the Business Management System.

IAC Feedback

Receive early, constructive feedback from IAC staff during the pre-application development phase.

BMS Process vs. 102 Forms

Significant changes to the way in which the processes work:

The new BMS process can:

- Retain information forever
- Connect two processes
- Provide directions within the process
- Execute basic math calculations
- Hold a record of previous work
- Produce a detailed report that includes estimated state and local costs.
- Allow for ongoing IAC collaboration

The BMS can NOT:

- Replicate the legacy 102 forms or serve as a spreadsheet
- Provide data lookup features similar to the 102 form
- Eliminate the need for certain required BMS Front End uploads (i.e., Status of Previously State Funded projects 102.5 Form, Board of Education and County Letters of Support, etc.)

CIP Application Development Process

How does it work?

01 The process will be open by July 31 and be visible permanently.

02 Allows LEAs to start the development of a CIP application early.

03 Save multiple drafts for present and future use.

04 Provides calculations for Maximum State Award estimates.

05 Produces a project-specific report.

06 Spawns the final CIP application process with all provided data.

★ Allows the LEA to “Request IAC Review” before submission.

Project-Specific Report

BMS Output:

- All information contained in the current 102 form
- More organized with related information shown together
- Second page includes all data used in the calculations
- Some LEAs will use for CIP reports to the BOE

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LEA Name		School Name	
		Project Type, Project Subtype	
Facility Details		Request Details	
PSC Number:		Funding Request	
Address:			
School Number:		Total Amount of	
Existing SRC:		Prior Funding:	
Grades:		Current FY	
Project Scope and Description		Estimated Maximum State Award	
Existing GSF:		Cost Share Details	
Addition GSF:		Base State Cost Share %:	
Demo GSF:		Applicable Add-Ons:	
Renewal GSF:		CPG	
Total GSF:		MEA	
Planned SRC:		NZE	
Scope Description:		Total State Cost Share %:	
		LEA Budget	
		Total Construction	
		State Cost Eligibility	
		Eligible Costs	
		State Costs	
		Local Costs	
		Addition	
		Building Costs	
		Site Costs	
		Renewal	
		Building Costs	
		Site Costs	
		Overall	
		Project Dev. and Design	
		FFE Costs	
		Total:	
		Estimated Maximum State Award	
		Total State Eligible Costs	
		Maximum State Award	
		Required Local Match	
		Total Local Costs	



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Record of Changes

Version	Description	IAC Approval Date
1.0	Initial Adoption for the FY 2025 CIP	7/13/2023
1.1	Updates Submission Method from SharePoint to LEA Upload Form	N/A
1.2	Administrative updates to reflect BMS submission method and to make the instructions FY-agnostic.	7/11/2024
1.3	Clarify submission format requirements in Section 16.	N/A
2.0	Removes guidance recorded in the new IAC APG, clarifies submission requirements in the BMS, and condenses duplicate information.	7/17/2025
2.1	Updates to reflect statutory changes that remove the 75% CIP approval and add reports in November, December, and January; revisions to the BMS Project Creation and CIP Application Development processes; and formatting and structure changes.	TBD

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The IAC's [Administrative Procedures Guide \(APG\)](#) provides a detailed summary of the regulations, policies, and procedures used by the IAC to determine project eligibility for most of the IAC's programs, including the Capital Improvement Program. Please see the APG for general requirements — including a glossary of terms, portfolio level policies and tools, design submissions, updates to the IAC's Facility Inventory Database, and other important information.

1. Purpose

The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is governed by Title 5, Subtitle 3 of the Education Article, Annotated Code of Maryland and COMAR 14.39.02. CIP funding can be used for new, renewal, and replacement projects as well as for renovation projects or capital maintenance projects (systemic renovations). Please see the [Administrative Procedures Guide \(APG\)](#) and applicable COMAR sections at the [Division of State Documents website](#) for specific information on project execution.

These instructions have been modified to serve as the guide for submitting CIP applications and include the preliminary LEA CIP funding targets and the Enrollment Growth and Relocatable Classroom (EGRC) funding summary for eligible Local Education Agencies (LEAs). The annual CIP Notice which contains pertinent information specific for this CIP cycle is available along with past annual memos and instructions on the [IAC's website](#).

2. Timeline

Refer to the relevant [fiscal year notice](#), which follows this general schedule:

March/April

- Department of Planning validates projected enrollments for each LEA

July

- LEAs submit Educational Facilities Master Plans to IAC
- IAC publishes CIP Instructions
- CIP Application Development Process Open for the applicable fiscal year

September

- Schematic Design submissions due to IAC

October

- LEAs submit CIP requests
- LEAs submit Comprehensive Maintenance Plans

November

- Design Development submissions due
- IAC staff forwards first round of preliminary draft recommendations to IAC
- Last date for receipt of LEA CIP amendments and local government assurances for support
- IAC staff issues CIP project-request status reports to LEAs and counties by November 30

December

- IAC hears staff recommendations
- IAC staff issues CIP project-request status reports to LEAs and counties by December 31

January

- IAC staff issues CIP project-request status reports to LEAs and counties by January 31

February

- IAC meeting to adopt preliminary awards for 90% of funding available in the submitted capital budget

May

- IAC meeting to approve awards of 100% of funding available in the enacted capital budget

June-July

- IAC releases final CIP publication

3. BMS Project Creation

Projects that do not yet exist in the BMS must have a [Project Creation BMS process](#) submitted with sufficient time for IAC staff processing (up to two business days), subsequent LEA submission of the CIP Application Development BMS process, and LEA submission of the resulting CIP application process. We strongly encourage submission of the Project Creation BMS process ASAP to avoid delays.

4. CIP Application Development BMS Process

Starting with the FY 2028 cycle, the CIP Application Development process (CADP) serves as the electronic equivalent of the majority of the legacy 102 series forms. This automated workflow allows LEAs to calculate estimated Maximum State Awards, prepare preliminary CIP applications, produce reports, and collaborate with IAC staff, including receiving feedback on draft data. This BMS process can be initiated throughout the year and is designed to support the iterative nature of the CIP development. Within the process is an LEA Hold Step which allows for reporting and local review, including the generation of project specific reports in order to share process information with local stakeholders and decision-makers who do not actively work in the BMS. Upon finalization of local requests the LEA should execute the CADP submission of all projects the LEA intends to move forward into their final CIP request by the October due date set each year in the relevant fiscal year notice to the LEA. This will automatically initiate a CIP application request and transfer all application data to generate the final Capital Improvement Program application for the relevant fiscal year. For detailed information regarding the CADP and CIP application process, see the applicable [BMS user guide](#) or contact IAC staff at iac.pscp@maryland.gov or the LEA's assigned Capital Project Manager for assistance.

5. Application Submission

Projects requested in the CIP shall be consistent with the priority and needs described in the Educational Facilities Master Plan, which is submitted annually in July.

LEAs should consult with their assigned Capital Projects Manager to determine if a site visit for a project is necessary. Outside of the CIP cycle, IAC staff will generally request site visits for major capital projects when in the Feasibility Study phase.

A full CIP application from an LEA consists of CADP submissions for each project, subsequent CIP Funding Application process submissions for each project, and submission of general CIP documentation via the CIP Front End Upload process on the LEA's Global Project. A complete CIP submission includes BMS submissions for front end documentation as well as application initiation for individual projects in accordance with the submission checklist below.

CIP Submission Checklist

Front End Documentation

- ☐ When all individual project requests are submitted, the LEA should upload general CIP documentation to the CIP Front End Upload process in the BMS, including the LEA-wide Forms 102.4-102.6 in Excel format and one PDF that includes:
 - ☐ Summary of FY requests (which can be generated via various BMS reports)
 - ☐ Record of Board of Education action approving the CIP request
 - ☐ Signed Letter(s) from local government (County or Baltimore City) stating local financial support for the projects included in the CIP request

Individual Project Requests

- ☐ For each individual project request:
 - ☐ Upload a draw schedule including all project expenditures shown separately for each funding source.
 - ☐ If more than one project is submitted for the same facility, cross reference the projects by priority number and project type (e.g. "See Priority #X - Roof Replacement"), clearly indicate why they are submitted as separate projects rather than as a single project, and explain whether or not there is a preference for the projects to be funded together and whether they will be awarded under a single or multiple contracts.
- ☐ For all projects that would impact floor plans, include a proposed floor plan of the school if available.
- ☐ For projects including CTE spaces, upload a letter of support from the MSDE Senior Executive Director of MSDE's Division of College and Career Pathways.
- ☐ For projects including regional special education program space(s), upload a letter of support from the MSDE Assistant State Superintendent of the Division of Special Education.
- ☐ For any project subject to the Safe Walk to Schools Act (Educ. Art., § 5-329, Annotated Code of Maryland), upload a Pedestrian Safety Plan in accordance with the Safe Walk to Schools Act of 2022.
- ☐ For capital maintenance (systemic renovation) and renovation projects:
 - ☐ Verify that the project information corresponds to information provided in the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan submitted in October of the application year
 - ☐ Identify proposed work ineligible for state funding
 - ☐ Provide the age of building system(s) or the age and number of units
 - ☐ Identify specific areas of the building where work will not be done or will be locally funded
 - ☐ For projects that include roof replacement:
 - ☐ Submit the three most recent annual roof inspection reports;
 - ☐ Address how the ¼ inch per square foot slope requirement will be met; and
 - ☐ Provide roof plans of the entire school that indicate the existing type and slope of each section.
- ☐ An LEA requesting the Net-Zero School State-Share Add-On, which results in a 5% increase to the State cost share for eligible projects, must submit the NZE Add-On Request Form at each design submission, including Ed Specs, SDs, DDs, and CDs and upload the latest form as part of the CIP application.

6. Communication Requirements

All application submission-related documents must be submitted via the BMS. Emails or other methods of communication will not be accepted in lieu of official BMS process submissions.

Some documents are required to be submitted in PDF format. PDF documents should provide a table of contents, bookmarks, and consecutive page numbers.

In order to facilitate timely review, it is imperative that LEAs respond to requests for information from the IAC in a timely manner. Requests for information will be sent via the IAC's BMS. Requests for Comments or requests for information sent via the LEA's "**Initiator Revise**" step must be responded to within 3 business days. Responses required in the LEA's "**LEA Issues Response**" step must be responded to within 5 business days. Failure to respond within the above timeframes may result in a project being determined to be ineligible for funding.

7. Amendments to CIP Requests

Amendments to an LEA's pending request for the current CIP application year must be submitted by the date identified on the CIP schedule. Submit amendments only for those projects for which information has changed; do not resubmit supporting documentation unless it has changed.

Amendments must include verification that the Board of Education supports the revised priorities. If the amendments include projects not included in the original request or include projects whose nature and/or scope have changed significantly, the amendments must include an updated letter of support from the County or City government. The letter of support and other documents must be uploaded separately to ensure that local Board of Education and local government support is properly documented and must be received by the amendment submission date identified on the CIP schedule. For demonstration of Board of Education support, a cover letter signed by the Superintendent certifying that the local board approval has taken place is sufficient along with the date of approval. The letter of support from the local government must address all amended and unchanged project requests.

Amendments to a CIP year that have already been approved by the IAC may be requested at any time (including immediately following the closure of a CIP cycle year). New project requests must be submitted in the BMS. Revisions to projects already submitted should be provided to the IAC via a letter sent to iac.pscp@maryland.gov and copied to the assigned Capital Projects Manager.

After review of amendment requests, the LEA will be informed of IAC staff recommendations and IAC action. Opportunities for the LEA to appeal before the IAC are the same as for the normal CIP approval process.

8. Cost per Square Foot

The cost per square foot for each calendar year is set by the IAC in July of the prior year. The approved costs per square foot for building only and for building plus site development are published [on the IAC website](#). The cost per square foot for a project is set at first-time construction funding as described in [APG section 3.L](#).

9. Planning Requests

Requests for planning approval must be submitted for all projects except capital maintenance projects, open space enclosures, and small additions. Requests for planning and funding may be submitted in the same year.

Planning requests typically will not be evaluated or recommended for approval prior to the 100% IAC approval in May. State funding commitments to, and progress of, the LEA's currently active previously approved projects will be considered when evaluating additional requests for planning approval.

10. Funding Requests

Funds may be requested for **planning development and design** prior to meeting the necessary project progress requirements that are required for local planning or construction funding approval.

For **forward-funded projects**, the factors (enrollment, square feet per student, cost per square foot) that were in effect on the date of the project's bid opening should be used. LEAs should contact IAC staff with any questions about specific factors.

11. Funding Factors

See the [IAC's APG](#) for the funding methodology for new, replacement, and renewal projects and specific phase requirements for each of the following:

- Gross Area Baselines
- Eligible Enrollment
- Cost per Square Foot

12. Eligible and Ineligible Items, Expenditures, and Projects

Projects eligible under the CIP include all facilities owned by local boards that are used primarily for educational purposes, including charter schools, facilities owned by a private entity under an alternative financing arrangement, or a lease that meets the requirements in the IAC's Leased Facilities Policy, which can be found in Appendix C of the APG, and projects in the Baltimore City 21st Century Schools (formerly 10-Year) Plan, as established by 2013 Md. Laws, Ch. 647. For the complete listing of eligible and ineligible project classifications please review the [IAC's APG](#).

13. Project Evaluation

To ensure data used in the evaluation of funding requests is completely finalized, the following data will be used:

- Enrollment: MSDE-audited and approved September enrollment count data from September 30 of the calendar year preceding the calendar year in which applications are due, as published in MSDE's State Aid to Local Education Agencies publication.
- Concentration of Poverty (CPG): The MSDE CPG data finalized most recently prior to July 1 of the calendar year in which applications are due.
- Maintenance Effectiveness Assessment (MEA): Data finalized by the end of the fiscal year preceding the October in which applications are due (i.e., for the FY 2026 CIP, applications were due in October 2024 so MEA data finalized as of June 30, 2024 were used).

- Statewide Facilities Assessment: Same method as MEA data.

Requests for prekindergarten classrooms may take priority over other requests outside of the LEA's requested priority order. Prioritization of prekindergarten classrooms will occur within each LEA's target allocations, and the IAC will prioritize prekindergarten requests for local planning and for early planning and design or construction funding, in accordance with Education Article §7-1A-07, Annotated Code of Maryland.

Funding for the current Fiscal Year CIP cycle that is projected at the 90% stage in February is an estimate which will not be finalized until the 100% approval in May when the Capital Budget has been finalized.

For forward funded projects, the data used will be based upon the bid date of the projects rather than the fiscal year of the request.

14. Project Approvals

Each project submitted in the CIP will be assigned a project review status. Statuses will be revised throughout the CIP process until final approvals are made on or after May 1. Prior to preliminarily approving project funding requests in the 90% round, the IAC will provide to LEAs and counties three CIP project-request status reports:

- On or before November 30 each year, a report containing the following information for each project that a LEA has requested for State funding in the Capital Budget:
 - Status of the request; and
 - If available, the Maximum State Award estimated or approved by the IAC.
- On or before December 31 and January 31 each year, a report containing the following information for each project that a LEA has requested for State funding in the Capital Budget Bill:
 - Status of the request;
 - If available, the Maximum State Award estimated or adopted by the IAC; and
 - The projected 100% CIP award.

The IAC will approve the Capital Improvement Program in stages as shown in the updated CIP Application Schedule. On or before March 1 each year, the IAC shall provide recommendations to the presiding officers and the budget committees of the General Assembly and the Department of Legislative Services for public school construction projects that comprise 90% of the school construction allocation included in the capital budget submitted by the Governor for the following fiscal year. Approval of 100% of the approved appropriation will take place after May 1. Opportunities for the LEA to appeal the CIP are scheduled annually. Additionally, CIP decisions can be appealed at any time consistent with the IAC appeal process pursuant to Section 2.L. of the APG.

Project Review Status Definitions

A - Recommended for approval: All IAC and LEA staff questions, problems, and comments have been resolved and the project is eligible and recommended for IAC approval of the requested type (design/planning funding, planning, or construction funding).

B - Deferred but eligible: All IAC and LEA staff questions, problems, or comments have been resolved and the project is eligible for planning or funding, but it has been deferred due to State fiscal constraints in the current fiscal year or related to funding commitments for future years. **The project is not approved by the IAC.**

C - Deferred and not currently eligible for a planning or funding approval due to unresolved issues: Outstanding issues may be of a technical or other nature and may include but are not necessarily limited to: lack of an acceptable feasibility study, capacity/enrollment, scope, or project schedule; the LEA's ability to carry out a large number of projects; lack of maintenance for the requested component or system; concerns regarding estimated cost or calculation of State or local funds; lack of commitment of local funds; submission or clarification of Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) documentation or process; review of alternative solutions available; lack of site approval; pending waiver regarding location outside of a Priority Funding Area; lack of supporting documentation; master plan inconsistency; and pending approvals by other agencies. These issues may be resolved at any time prior to final approval of the CIP by the IAC.

D - Denied and not eligible for planning or funding approval: Due to the nature of the project, it is ineligible for State participation. Reasons for ineligibility include but are not limited to: the project scope does not fit within an approved category of State-eligible CIP projects; local fiscal support was not provided or was withdrawn after the date established by the IAC; the project does not meet minimum State requirements for cost or scope; the facility is too new or was too recently renovated; the project was funded through another program or the funds are not required; MBE procedures were not followed in the procurement of the project; the LEA proceeded to construction prior to State approval (certain capital maintenance (systemic) projects); enrollment projections do not justify the project; the future of the facility is uncertain; or the facility has not been adequately maintained.

U - Deferred and currently has outstanding IAC staff issues that will need to be resolved by a date determined by the IAC Designees: Funding is shown within the Total Projected Allocation column for projects with this status and is contingent upon resolution of pending issues.

15. CIP Publication and Project Execution

Final details of CIP approvals are available in the May IAC Meeting Agenda and subsequently in the [IAC's CIP](#) publication, which is posted to the website in the summer.

For information regarding project execution, including IAC contract approval, payment and reimbursement requests, and closeout procedures, see the [IAC's APG](#).

16. LEA Appeals of Staff Recommendations

If the IAC staff does not recommend approval of an LEA's specific request for planning or funding of a project, the LEA may submit to the Executive Director a written request for a hearing to take place at the first meeting of the IAC to take place between 30 to 45 days after receipt of the request by the Executive Director. The request shall explain all of the LEA's reasons for disagreeing with the IAC staff's recommendation. The LEA shall provide to IAC staff any supporting documentation that may be requested.

17. Funding Considerations

Detailed information on design submissions, Cooperative Use Space, Career and Technical Education, regional Special Education, and Pedestrian Safety Plans can be found in the [IAC's APG](#).

18. Significant Enrollment Growth and Relocatable Classroom (EGRC) Funding

LEAs are eligible for EGRC funding if their enrollment growth is significant (150% of the statewide average growth over five years) or if they utilize a significant number of relocatable classrooms (averaging 250 or more over five years).

EGRC funding is allocated per a statutory formula. LEAs eligible for EGRC funding will be notified in each year's CIP Notice.

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Item 7. FY 2027 Nancy K. Kopp Public School Facilities Priority Fund Procedures

Motion:

To establish the Administrative Procedures Guide (APG) for the FY 2027 Nancy K. Kopp Public School Facilities Priority Fund.

Background Information:

The Nancy K. Kopp Public School Facilities Priority Fund (KPF) became active for the 2027 fiscal year, with allocations established under SB 283 during the 2026 Legislative Session. In order to move forward with program administration and to establish deadlines for LEA applications, contracts, and reimbursements, IAC staff have drafted procedures to guide the award of funding for the FY 2027 cycle of KPF funding for review by the IAC. Note that these procedures are in accordance with statutory requirements that apply only to FY 2027 and new procedures will be written for future program years.

IAC staff recommend approval of this item.

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Nancy K. Kopp Public School Facilities Priority Fund Procedures



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Record of Changes

Version	Description	IAC Approval Date
1.0	Initial Adoption	TBD

1. Purpose

The Nancy K. Kopp Public School Facilities Priority Fund (KPF) is governed by [Education Article § 5-326, Annotated Code of Maryland](#). Funding granted under the KPF is used to address the most severe issues in a school facility. For FY 2027, this includes projects that will improve the conditions related to air conditioning, heating, indoor air quality, mold remediation, temperature regulation, plumbing (including the presence of lead in drinking water outlets), roofs, windows, and any additional severe issues in the school that required the school to be closed in the current school year or the previous school year. Please see the IAC’s Administrative Procedures Guide (APG) available at iac.mdschoolconstruction.org and the IAC’s applicable [COMAR sections](#) for specific information on project execution.

2. Allocations

The FY 2027 Capital Budget bill (2026 Md. Laws, Ch. 05) mandates allocations as follows:

LEA	Allocation
Anne Arundel County	\$3,000,000
Baltimore City	\$16,000,000
Baltimore County	\$5,000,000
Frederick County	\$5,000,000
Howard County	\$6,000,000
Montgomery County	\$15,000,000
Prince George’s County	\$19,000,000
All other districts	\$1,000,000

These authorizations are not subject to local match requirements.

The \$1,000,000 available for all other districts will be awarded on a competitive basis, based on the severity of the project. Section 3 below details the order of severity as determined by the IAC of eligible projects.

Unawarded amounts will be rolled over into the next FY of KPF funding as prior-year funds. If the funds were allocated by statute to a specific LEA, the funds will be held in that LEA’s reserve account. If the funds were originally awarded as part of the \$1,000,000 for LEAs not named specifically in the allocations, the funds will be held in the Statewide reserve account.

3. Approval Basis and Eligibility funds

Eligible project expenditures within the Priority Fund are for improvements to public Pre-K-12 school buildings used for directly educating students. Each project's cost is to be at least \$500,000, unless otherwise approved by the Executive Director of the IAC.

A single "project" is defined as:

- A single improvement at an individual school;
- Multiple improvements at the same school; or,
 - Individual components within a project may be less than \$500,000 in value, but the total cost of projects at the facility (including related components) must be at least \$500,000 in value, unless otherwise approved by the Executive Director of the IAC.
 - Components must be identified separately in the application, with the estimated cost for each shown.
- Multiple improvements of the same kind at different schools within the LEA, such as remediation of lead at drinking fountains in multiple schools.
 - The cumulative cost of the improvements across multiple schools must total at least \$500,000, unless otherwise approved by the Executive Director of the IAC.
 - Each school must be requested separately via a separate application in the IAC's Business Management System (BMS) and the amount of the requests should be based on specific estimates for each school with the number of requested units, square footage, or some other method.
 - Breakout estimates should be provided if projects include multiple scope components.

Eligible Expenditures

Funds will be awarded based on project severity. Projects that are permitted to be funded under the KPF must address one or more of the following project types, listed here in priority order.

1. Projects that resolve or correct immediate life, safety, or health environmental risks or issues that required the school to be closed in the current school year or the previous school year
 - a. Includes levels of lead that equal or exceed 5 parts per billion (ppb) when documented through a process administered by the Maryland Department of the Environment
2. Roofs
3. Air Conditioning
4. Heating
5. Indoor Air Quality
6. Mold Remediation
7. Temperature Regulation
8. Plumbing, including the presence of lead below 5 ppb in drinking water outlets in school buildings
9. Windows

Other Permitted Expenditures and Funding Restrictions

Design and other planning professional expenses are eligible expenditures. However, please note that projects that have not been designed must be executed based upon the program schedule.

Certain related components or systems that are logically related to the scope of work may be included in the scope, but the majority of the proposed work must be for the types of environmental improvements listed in the Eligible Expenditures section above.

KPF funding may be combined with other State funding programs, such as the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) or Built to Learn, so long as work is clearly divided in both the scope and cost estimate. KPF funding may not replace the local cost share amount of another project funded under the CIP or other State funding program.

Ineligible Projects and Expenditures

Expenditures ineligible for State funding include:

- Any system or system component that has been replaced or renovated in the last 16 years, unless explicitly approved by the IAC because the LEA demonstrates that failure of the system or system component resulted in the school being closed and demonstrates that the system or system component is not under warranty;
- Utilizing funds to replace the local share of a project;
- For improvements to property owned by a Board of Education that is not used by public school students, e.g. garages, central office facilities, staff training quarters, etc., unless approved by the Executive Director of the IAC;
- For the movement of relocatable classroom units, unless it can be shown that the location of the relocatable classrooms impedes correcting the health of the facility;
- For ancillary services, e.g. post-completion monitoring;
- For staff training, post-completion;
- For salaries of local employees;
- Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) projects in gymnasiums and auditoriums, except when approved by the Executive Director in instances where the space serves as a teaching station for students with critical special needs or has direct impact on education services such that the school has to be closed;
- Any contract for an eligible project that is approved by the Local Board of Education more than 18 months prior to the IAC approval date identified in the Deadlines section of this APG;
- For items that have a median expected lifespan of less than 15 years;
- For project contingencies;
- For generators sized to support more than only the emergency functions in the educational facility, including operation of the emergency systems (such as lighting, food storage, and water purification), communication systems (including broadband), and security systems; or
- For allowances, with the exception of those for which the IAC Executive Director has granted an exception on a case-by-case basis and either 1) was recommended by the project architect or engineer of record or 2) that specifies a unit cost to establish a price for a known product where the number of units cannot be identified in advance.

4. Application Submission

Project-funding requests must be submitted in the BMS by the application deadline. Applications may be received within the 30 days preceding the deadline but they will not be reviewed until the date provided by the IAC in its annual publication of the schedule.

All project requests must be accompanied by supporting documentation, such as the results of lead testing as conducted per the requirements of State and federal regulations, mold testing reports by licensed industrial hygienists, elevated moisture content testing reports, indoor air quality assessment reports, and work order history. Detailed budget estimates are encouraged, if available.

Project requests should identify the following in the description:

- All work proposed;
- The origin or source of the issue and the cause;
- How the cause will be corrected;
- Description of attempts previously made to correct the issue; and
- Plan for how the issue will be prevented from reoccurring.

The project schedule should indicate that the project funds will be encumbered on or before the date shown in the program schedule. All work on the project must be substantially completed and a majority of the project funds expended by the date shown in the program schedule.

5. Communication Requirements

All application submission-related documents must be submitted via the BMS. Emails or other methods of communication will not be accepted in lieu of official BMS process submissions. In order to facilitate timely review, it is imperative that LEAs respond to requests for information from the IAC in a timely manner. Requests for comments or requests for information sent via the LEA's "Initiator Revise" step must be responded to within three business days. Responses required in the LEA's "LEA Issues Response" step must be responded to within five business days. Failure to respond within these timeframes may result in a project being determined to be ineligible for funding.

6. Project Evaluation

Projects will be reviewed, prioritized, and approved by the IAC within the timeline shown in the schedule published annually by the IAC. Upon approval, IAC staff will provide to the LEAs a final accounting of approved project awards.

7. Procurement and Contract Award

Procurements

Procurements shall be in compliance with COMAR 14.39.03 as well as with State public school procurement law, Md. Code, Education Article §5-112, "Bids." Project Delivery Methods other than General Contracting will require approval by the IAC in accordance with COMAR 14.39.04.

Procurements should be in line with all requirements within Section 3.T. Procurement Requirements of the IAC's Administrative Procedures Guide.

Additionally, Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) consultation is required on applicable projects. LEAs should review the MHT Schools by Category list for projects receiving State funding to determine if consultation with MHT is applicable to the requested project. The project review submission form is available on the MHT website.

Contract Award

IAC approval is required for all KPF contracts, regardless of value. Contracts should be submitted via the Contract Approval Process in the IAC's BMS for review. When all anticipated project contracts are submitted and evaluated, the IAC will revert any remaining project funding to the appropriate reserve account.

Project Closeout

All projects receiving funding through the program are subject to closeout requirements as provided in the IAC's APG Section 3.Y.

FY 2027 Program Schedule

7/16/2026	IAC approval of the <i>Nancy K. Kopp Public School Facilities Priority Fund Administrative Procedures Guide</i>
10/1/2026 - 11/30/2026	Application submission period
12/1/2026 - 3/1/2027	IAC staff review period
4/8/2027	IAC approval of projects and awards
6/1/2028	All project funds must be obligated via contract
6/1/2029	Last day to submit requests for reimbursement

Item 8. School Safety Grant Program Administrative Procedures Guide

Motion:

To adopt the new School Safety Grant Program Procedures as presented for use beginning in FY 2027.

Background Information:

IAC staff have drafted edits to the School Safety Grant Program Procedures for use beginning in FY 2027. Prior procedures were in a format no longer standard for IAC procedures documents nor compliant with accessibility standards. In addition to accessibility changes in formatting, non-substantive grammatical and organizational changes have been made to the document. Substantive changes to the procedures include revisions to allocations to each LEA based on updated enrollment data and square footage, as of September 30, 2025 and July 1, 2026, respectively; changes to the design review process; and updates to the program schedule for FY 2027.

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School Safety Grant Program Administrative Procedures Guide



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Record of Changes

Version	Description	IAC Approval Date
1.0	Initial Publication	

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Glossary

Definition of terms and acronyms used in this document:

Acronym or Term	Definition
BMS	Business Management System
DGS	Maryland Department of General Services
IAC	Interagency Commission on School Construction
LEA	Local Education Agency
MCSS	Maryland Center for School Safety
MSDE	Maryland State Department of Education
SSGP	School Safety Grant Program

Purpose and Background

SSGP provides grants to local school systems and the Maryland School for the Blind (MSB) to address school security improvements, including but not limited to secure and lockable classroom doors, areas of visual refuge in classrooms, surveillance, security vestibules, and other structural school security related improvements that have direct impact on the school facility, students, and school administrators.

The program was established by legislation in calendar year 2018 through the enactment of HB 1783. Education Article §5-322, Annotated Code of Maryland, requires the IAC to administer SSGP, approve expenditures, and develop administrative procedures for the program. Education Article § 5-317, MD. Ann. Code, requires the Governor to provide an annual allocation of \$10 million to the program beginning in fiscal year 2019. The program was managed by the IAC during FY 2019 and FY 2020, by the Maryland Center for School Safety (MCSS) in FY 2022 through FY 2025, and again by the IAC for FY 2026 onward.

Allocations

The program will operate based on the schedule in Attachment 2, which is to be updated for each fiscal year.

The funding distribution for each LEA shall be calculated using two factors: 1) each LEA's proportionate share of the final full-time equivalent enrollment from September 30 of the previous school year; and 2) the proportionate share of the total gross square footage. Each of the two factors accounts for fifty-percent of the funding (see Attachment 1). There is a minimum allocation of \$200,000 for each LEA and the Maryland School for the Blind (MSB).

The full-time equivalent enrollment figure is the total LEA enrollment figure utilized for calculating the Foundation Program for the Major State Aid Programs, as published annually by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) Office of Finance and Administration and as defined in Education Article, § 5-201, plus the LEA's pre-kindergarten enrollment. Enrollment includes SEED School of MD students in home school systems.

The total square footage is as of July 1 and is obtained from the IAC's Facility Inventory Database that was used in Managing for Results (MFR) reporting for the current budget year. The Facility Inventory Database is a database populated with data in part provided by the LEAs and in part from the IAC and monitored by the IAC staff.

State funds provided through SSGP do not require matching local funds. The LEA is required to have local funds available for the payment of costs in excess of the State awards and for ineligible project costs. Unused LEA allocations will revert to the Statewide Reserve Fund.

Application Process and Requirements

Project requests in the SSGP must follow the application timeline as outlined in Attachment 2 of this document. SSGP project applications are to be listed with a priority order beginning with the number 1. Bundled projects (where a single type of project, such as access control, is executed under a single contract but at multiple sites) should be entered per facility, but should share the same priority number.

LEAs must submit the SSGP application request process via the IAC's BMS. Access to the BMS can be requested by authorized LEA staff by emailing iac.pscp@maryland.gov. For more information on the SSGP BMS submission process, please review the School Safety Grant Program Funding Application Process user guide available on the [IAC's website](#).

LEAs must submit the following supplemental information with their funding applications:

- All applications are required to include details on the following:
 - Statement of need narrative
 - Detailed project description
 - Age of the equipment/system being replaced
 - Maintenance records of equipment being replaced, where applicable
 - All other project fund sources, if applicable
 - Supplemental literature that describes the system(s) being installed
 - Competitive quotes (optional for pre-award; required for post-award)
 - A project schedule that indicates that the project will meet all milestones included in Attachment 2.
- For security systems or access control systems, supplemental literature that describes the system and the age and maintenance records for the system, where applicable.
- For door lock replacement, supplemental literature that describes the door locking mechanism and fire marshal approval.
- For security vestibules or other floor plan modifications, a floor plan showing the changes.

IAC Requests for Information and Clarification

In order to facilitate timely review, it is imperative that LEAs respond to requests for information from the IAC in a timely manner. Requests for information will be sent via the IAC's BMS. Requests for Comments or requests for information sent via the LEA's "**Initiator Revise**" step must be responded to within 3 business days. Responses required in the LEA's "**LEA Issues Response**" step must be responded to within 5 business days. Failure to respond within the above timeframes may result in a project being determined to be ineligible for funding.

Eligible Projects/Expenditures

Eligible project expenditures within the SSGP are for new security improvements to public school buildings and sites (see Attachment 3). Eligible projects fall under one of three types of projects as described below.

Single Projects: Projects that include only a single project scope, are at a single school, and cost a minimum of \$3,000.

Example: A new security vestibule installation at High School A.

Multiple Project Scopes at a Single Facility: Multiple projects of different scopes at a single school that cost at least \$10,000. Note that individual components may cost less than \$10,000, but the total cost of the project - including both security and non-security related components - must be at least \$10,000 in value. Components must be listed separately in the application, with the estimated value shown for each component.

Example: A new security vestibule installation *and* the installation of new security cameras at High School A.

Same Scope, Multi-Facility Projects: The same project type and scope across multiple facilities within a district that collectively costs at least \$10,000. Each facility should have a separate application submitted but with the same priority number and the work should be contracted in a single contract. The amount of the request should be based on specific estimates for each school or the total project request prorated across all schools based on number of units, square footage, or a similar method.

Example: New security camera installations at High Schools A, B, C, and D.

Other Eligibility Requirements

Certain non-security components that are logically related to the scope of work (such as replacement of a portion of a ceiling associated with installation of wiring or cameras) may be included in the scope, but the majority of the proposed work must be for security-related improvements.

A contract (including design, construction, or other eligible services) for a locally funded project that is approved by the local Board of Education within 18 months prior to the allocation approval date identified in the schedule (see attachment 2) is eligible for State funding participation.

Unlike typical IAC Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects, requests may be submitted for security projects:

- In schools that have been built or fully renovated within the last 15 years;
- In which the anticipated life of the system or components is less than 15 years due to anticipated changes in technology;
- For facilities that are pending replacement, however, if the school is replaced within five years of SSGP award, the total State SSGP funding award will be deducted from the Maximum State Award (MSA) of the replacement project;
- For locally owned and State-owned relocatable classrooms, including the movement of relocatable classroom units under certain security-related circumstances; or
- In privately owned (leased) facilities, so long as the requested project is for movable equipment that can be retained by the LEA and put into service in another LEA school facility in the event of lease termination.

Projects should be for long-term capital facility improvement, including but not limited to the following categories of security projects:

- **Access Control Systems:** Safety/Security Stations, ballistic resistant window coverings, door monitoring systems, installation of card access systems, metal detectors and weapon detection systems, wayfinding signage and campus fencing;
- **Camera Surveillance Systems:** New security systems;
- **Door Improvements:** Secure and lockable classroom doors in schools that include door replacements, lockboxes for emergency key access, door alarms/sensors, proximity card readers, door intercoms, and panic buttons;

- **Emergency Generators:** Emergency generators that provide safety during power outages;
- **Interior building modifications:** Creation of an area of safe (visual) refuge in classrooms in the school, installation of pass-through windows, installation of security mirrors, relocation of administrative offices, phone and intercom systems;
- **Security Communications:** Directional signage;
- **Site Improvements:** Campus lighting and walkway enclosures; and
- **Other security and safety projects** as identified by the LEA. These projects will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, based on the description provided, supporting documentation, local board policies, availability of funds, and cost-effectiveness.

Information on specific project type eligibility can be found in Attachment 3 of this document. Projects that are ineligible for SSGP funding may be eligible for funding through certain programs administered by the MCSS.

Ineligible Projects/Expenditures

Projects and expenditures that are ineligible for funding from SSGP are any that are:

- To fund any project not eligible under the purpose of the grant;
- For improvements to property owned by a Board of Education that is not used in the delivery of education to students, e.g. garages, central office facilities, staff training quarters, etc., unless it can be demonstrated that improvements outside of a school will improve student safety, with review and approval by the IAC Executive Director;
- For the movement of relocatable classroom buildings, unless it can be shown that the location of the relocatable classrooms impedes security and that other types of security improvements will not correct the situation;
- For ancillary services associated with security, e.g. post-completion monitoring;
- For staff training, unless staff training is associated with the installation of new electronic security systems;
- For salaries of local employees, including School Resource Officers (SROs);
- For projects related to behavioral management; or
- For any contract for an eligible project that is approved by the local Board of Education more than 18-months prior to the IAC award approval date identified in the schedule.

Project Approval Process

To be eligible for approval, a requested project must meet all of the requirements listed in this APG.

SSGP applications will be reviewed and processed as they are received, generally within 30 working days of a complete submission. The IAC has delegated approval authority for SSGP applications within the LEA's allocation to IAC staff. A status of approved in the IAC's BMS indicates that the grant has been approved and the LEA may proceed with project execution.

Design Review

Projects approved in the SSGP are subject to design development and construction document review in accordance with the IAC's Administrative Procedures Guide.

Procurements shall be in compliance with COMAR 14.39.03 as well as with State public school procurement law, Md. Code, Education Article §5-112, “Bids.” Project Delivery Methods other than General Contracting may require approval by the IAC in accordance with COMAR 14.39.04. The following will apply to SSGP projects, including:

- Competitive procurement requirements;
- Minority Business Enterprise requirements; and
- Prevailing wage rates as applicable.

Contract Award

IAC approval is required for all SSGP contracts, regardless of value. Contracts should be submitted via the Contract Approval process in the IAC’s BMS for review. For more information on submission in the BMS, please see the Contract Approval Process user guide, available on the [IAC’s website](#).

If projects at multiple facilities are procured under a single contract award, the scope for each individual facility will require separate completion of the Contract Approval Process in the BMS for review and approval by the IAC. When all anticipated project contracts are submitted and evaluated, the IAC will revert any remaining project funding to the State. SSGP funds are not available to roll over to future years.

Processing for Payment/Financial Reporting

Payment will be made at time of 100% project completion using the BMS Invoice/Reimbursement process through reimbursement to the school system or direct payment to a contractor.

Recognizing that reimbursement at the time of project completion may create cash flow difficulties for some jurisdictions with larger projects, the IAC, upon request submitted by the LEA to iac.pscp@maryland.gov and approved in writing via email by IAC staff, will process progress payments of \$100,000 or more.

Submission of the BMS Project Closeout process will only be required at time of project completion for projects that exceed \$100,000 and utilize the direct payment to contractor option. All projects that were reimbursed at time of project completion do not require submission of the Close-Out Summary package.

General and Special Conditions

SSPG awards are subject to these General and Special Conditions. The IAC reserves the right to add Special Conditions, if and when needed, during the life of the award period. The LEA shall ensure that any expenditure of SSGP funds that is not consistent with the purposes of the award, or that violates any requirement, procurement, term, or condition of the School Safety Grant program (SSGP), or the APG, will be disallowed.

The LEA shall ensure that all grant project related activities are completed by the milestone dates in Attachment 2.

The LEA shall ensure that all work performed pursuant to the SSGP and this procedures guide is completed by contractors and/or staff holding all necessary certifications and licenses.

The LEA shall ensure that any business or non-profit organization operating in Maryland with which the Grantee contracts or partners with carry out the purposes of the Grant is registered and in good standing with the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation.

The LEA shall ensure that all work performed pursuant to the Grant shall comply with all applicable State, local, and federal laws and regulations.

The LEA shall ensure that all equipment acquired using State issued grant funds is protected from theft, loss, and damage. The IAC must be notified if any grant funded equipment is lost, stolen, or damaged.

Awards may be terminated by one or both parties with written notice. If the award is terminated before the end of the funding period, an accounting of the year-to-date expenses must be provided within 30 calendar days after termination.

All funds related to the award project must be encumbered, obligated (via requisitions, purchase orders, or contracts, which are negotiated purchases), or expended (via payment of an invoice) by the dates identified in the Attachment 2 of this APG.

Failure to expend encumbered funds and to submit a request for reimbursement by the dates established in Attachment 2 may jeopardize reimbursement and/or result in the de-obligation of funds unless an extension is granted by the IAC. If no extension is granted, remaining obligations will be the sole responsibility of the LEA.

Any requests for grant realignment or modifications of any kind to any portion of this award must be submitted in writing at least 45 days prior to the end of the performance period. All realignment requests must be submitted to iac.pscp@maryland.gov with a copy to the LEA's assigned Capital Projects Manager.

Attachment 1: FY 2027 SSGP Allocations by LEA

LEA	Full Time Equivalent Enrollment as of 9/30/2025	Percentage	Total Square Footage as of 7/1/2026	Percentage	FY 2027 Allocation
Allegany	8,068.25	0.92%	1,749,398	1.23%	200,000.00
Anne Arundel	84,141.25	9.60%	14,441,633	10.12%	811,671.00
Baltimore City	75,150.00	8.57%	14,496,995	10.16%	771,259.00
Baltimore County	107,607.25	12.28%	17,038,391	11.94%	996,575.00
Calvert	14,690.00	1.68%	2,475,898	1.73%	200,000.00
Caroline	5,588.50	0.64%	885,352	0.62%	200,000.00
Carroll	25,714.25	2.93%	4,266,519	2.99%	243,795.00
Cecil	14,448.75	1.65%	2,277,835	1.60%	200,000.00
Charles	27,887.75	3.18%	4,289,977	3.01%	254,631.00
Dorchester	4,478.00	0.51%	970,840	0.68%	200,000.00
Frederick	47,727.75	5.45%	6,963,617	4.88%	424,819.00
Garrett	3,333.00	0.38%	686,911	0.48%	200,000.00
Harford	37,319.50	4.26%	6,080,776	4.26%	350,598.00
Howard	56,772.75	6.48%	8,527,365	5.98%	512,399.00
Kent	1,699.00	0.19%	441,409	0.31%	200,000.00
Montgomery	154,988.00	17.68%	25,489,739	17.86%	1,462,885.00
Prince George's	130,515.25	14.89%	19,164,353	13.43%	1,165,229.00
Queen Anne's	7,399.00	0.84%	1,302,658	0.91%	200,000.00
St. Mary's	16,563.00	1.89%	2,300,101	1.61%	200,000.00
Somerset	2,845.00	0.32%	671,356	0.47%	200,000.00
Talbot	4,408.00	0.50%	700,971	0.49%	200,000.00
Washington	22,554.25	2.57%	3,476,621	2.44%	206,139.00
Wicomico	15,399.25	1.76%	2,327,835	1.63%	200,000.00
Worcester	6,933.50	0.79%	1,310,647	0.92%	200,000.00
Maryland School for the Blind	183.00	0.02%	369,768	1.23%	200,000.00
Total	876,414.25	100.00%	142,716,115	100.00%	\$10,000,000

Attachment 2: FY 2027 Program Schedule

7/16/2026	IAC Approval of the SSGP Administrative Procedures Guide and Release of Schedule and Application Instructions
7/20/2026	Application process open in the Business Management System
7/28/2026	IAC staff review period begins
9/18/2026	Application submission deadline
11/30/2026	Last day for IAC staff approval of projects and awards
10/29/2027	All project funds to be encumbered by State approved contracts
7/14/2028	All project work funded by an award from the program must be completed
8/31/2028	Last day to submit requests for reimbursement

Attachment 3: Eligible Project Expenditures for SSGP and Programs Administered by the Maryland Center for School Safety

SSGP Eligible: Fixed assets that provide long-term facility improvements and generally exclude operational expenses and items with a life of less than 15 years.

MCSS Program Eligible: Related to school safety, training, staffing, etc. and items that are not integral to the physical facility. This is provided for information only and should be verified with MCSS.

Access Control Systems

SSGP Eligible:

- Buzzer
- Emergency response panic buttons/systems (hardwired)
- Intercom systems
- Metal detectors & AI Weapon Detection Systems
- Systems to control access to entrances

Camera Surveillance Systems

SSGP Eligible:

- Cameras added to existing systems
- New security systems

MCSS Program Eligible:

- Security system software/license/subscriptions/renewals

Door Hardware & Improvements

SSGP Eligible:

- Door hardware/locks/frames/security screens/lock box
- New security doors
- Proximity card readers

Emergency Generators

SSGP Eligible:

- Emergency generator that provides safety for power outages

Interior Renovations

SSGP Eligible:

- Create area of visual refuge
- Interior building modifications related to security
- Open space classroom enclosures and adjacent hallways
- Secure vestibules to limit visitor access
- Improvements to visual transparency

Security Communications

SSGP Eligible:

- Bi-directional Amplifiers (BDA)
- Mobile radios - administrative/emergency

MCSS Program Eligible:

- Bi-directional Amplifiers (BDA)
- Cellular Enhancement Systems
- School culture training/information
- Threat reporting systems
- Security system software/license/subscriptions/renewals
- Directional signage (safety related)
- Distributed Antenna System (DAS)
- Mobile radios - administrative/emergency
- Network/Wi-Fi enhancements to improve safety communications

Site Improvements

SSGP Eligible:

- Enclose walkways
- Exterior/site lighting
- Fencing
- Security gates
- Repairs as a result of vandalism/graffiti
- Concentric rings of protection/layers to points of entry

Visitor Management Systems

MCSS Program Eligible:

- Card swipe/student ID/check-in kiosk
- Security system software/license/subscriptions/renewals

Other

MCSS Program Eligible:

- Behavior programs/training/materials
- Safety assessments
- Staffing - SRO- School Safety Specialists
- Technical assistance
- School culture training/information
- Threat reporting systems

Item 9. FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program Cancellation Request – Baltimore County Public Schools – New Northeast Area High School (PSC L03F225)

Motion:

To cancel the Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS) New Northeast Area High School (PSC L03F225) project, to rescind the associated FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) award, and to transfer the full amount of \$250,000 in project development and design services funding to the LEA Reserve Fund Account.

Background Information:

Baltimore County was awarded funding for early planning services costs associated with the construction of a new high school in the northeast area of the county, tentatively named the New Northeast Area High School (PSC L03F225). During early planning, it was determined that the project would be built as a replacement facility for Overlea High School (PSC L03F165) but the funding award has not yet been amended to transfer the funds and project. While the LEA has indicated that this project is still on their list of future school endeavors, school officials have elected to defer the project, transfer the reverted funds into their reserve account, and resubmit the project for consideration in a future CIP.

IAC staff recommend approval of the LEA's request.

Item 10. FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program Cancellation Request – Allegany County Public Schools – Flintstone Elementary (PSC L01F020) Underground Storage Tank

Motion:

To rescind the FY 2025 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) award to the Allegany County Public Schools (ACPS) Flintstone Elementary (PSC L01F020) Underground Storage Tank project and to transfer the \$765,000 in project funding to the LEA Reserve Fund Account.

Background Information:

Through the FY 2025 CIP, ACPS was awarded funding for the construction of an underground storage tank at Flintstone Elementary School. Since the only bid received exceeded the anticipated costs by double, the LEA proposes to cancel the project, move the awarded funds into their reserve account, and resubmit the project for consideration in a later CIP cycle.

IAC staff recommend approval of the LEA's request.

Item 11. Final Action – COMAR 14.39.02 Revisions – Small County Cost Share Adjustment

Motion:

To adopt the final COMAR revisions as published in the May 15, 2026 Maryland Register (Volume 53, Issue 10, Page 465).

Background Information:

The IAC approved the proposed COMAR 14.39.02 revisions for publication at the meeting on April 9, 2026.

After publication of the May 15, 2026 Maryland Register, the COMAR revisions were open to public comment for 30 days, ending on June 15, 2026.

The IAC received one public comment from Baltimore City Public Schools. City schools acknowledged the need for accommodations to small counties, but emphasized needs in large counties with depressed rates of local property taxes, like Baltimore City. The City further stated that they acknowledge that no further changes to statute can be made at present, but expressed a desire to enter their position into the public record. Finally, City Schools indicated that the sunseting of the Healthy School Facility Fund, a program which granted \$45 million to City Schools each year was a significant loss and that the statutorily mandated Kopp Priority Fund appropriation for FY 2027 does not replace these funds in their entirety.

IAC staff recommend the final adoption of the proposed actions on regulations as published in the May 15, 2026 Maryland Register.

Item 12. Closed Session

Motion:

This item is informational only and does not require IAC action.

Background Information:

Please see the presented Closed Session Closing Statement.

INTERAGENCY COMMISSION ON SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION
PRESIDING OFFICER'S WRITTEN STATEMENT FOR CLOSING A MEETING
("CLOSING STATEMENT")
UNDER OPEN MEETINGS ACT (General Provisions Article § 3-305)

1. Recorded vote to close the Meeting.

Date: July 16, 2026

Time:

Location: Virtual meeting conduct via Zoom

Motion to close meeting made by:

Seconded by:

Members in favor:

Opposed:

Abstaining:

Absent (Excused):

2. The meeting was closed under authority of Section 3-305(b) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (check all provisions that apply). This meeting will be closed under General Provision Art. § 3-305(b) only.

☒ 1. To discuss: (i) the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or (ii) any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

2. To protect the privacy or reputation of individuals concerning a matter not related to public business.

3. To consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto.

4. To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State.

5. To consider the investment of public funds.

6. To consider the marketing of public securities.

☒ 7. To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice.

8. To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation.

9. To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations.

10. To discuss public security, if the public body determines that public discussion would constitute a risk to the public or to public security, including: (i) the deployment of fire and police services and staff; and (ii) the development and implementation of emergency plans.

11. To prepare, administer, or grade a scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examination.

12. To conduct or discuss an investigative proceeding on actual or possible criminal conduct.

13. To comply with a specific constitutional, statutory, or judicially imposed requirement that prevents public disclosures about a particular proceeding or matter.

14. Before a contract is awarded or bids are opened, to discuss a matter directly related to a negotiating strategy or the contents of a bid or proposal, if public discussion or disclosure would adversely impact the ability of the public body to participate in the competitive bidding or proposal process.

3. For each provision checked above disclosure of the topic to be discussed and the public body's reason for discussing that topic in closed session.

Citation (insert # from above)	Topic	Reason for closed-session discussion to topic
§3-305(b)(1)	Personnel	To discuss the performance evaluation of the Executive Director
§3-305(b)(7)	Legal Advice	To obtain advice of legal counsel on a matter affecting Commission

4. This statement is made by Edward Kasemeyer, Presiding Officer.