Calvert County Public Schools 1305 Dares Beach Road Prince Frederick, MD 20678

## Policy Statement #1930 (Administration) of the Board of Education Regarding Individuals Registered on a Public Sex Offender Registry and Criminal Background Screening

- I. Purpose
  - A. To ensure a safe school environment for students, employees, and community members
- II. Definitions
  - A. Criminal Background Screening Criminal background information obtained through registries maintained by The Federal Government, one of the 50 states, U.S. Territories, The District of Columbia, and participating tribes.
  - B. School Property Any Calvert County Public Schools (CCPS) building and/or grounds, any CCPS leased or owned vehicles, and vehicles contracted for official school business.
  - C. Public Sex Offender Registry a sex offender registry maintained by one of the 50 states, U.S. Territories, the District of Columbia, and participating tribes.
- III. Policy Statement
  - A. The Board of Education of Calvert County is committed to maintaining a safe environment for all students, employees, and community members. However, it also recognizes the rights of parents in relation to the education of their children. To balance these interests, Calvert County Public Schools has established criteria and a process to determine when and under what conditions an individual who is registered on a public sex offender registry and/or a public criminal background registry will be permitted on school property.
- IV. Delegation of Authority
  - A. The Superintendent of Schools is directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy in accordance with all local policies and local, state, and federal laws and regulations and to communicate this policy and accompanying procedures to all relevant parties.
- V. Exceptions
  - A. There are no exceptions to this policy. However, the Board by majority vote may temporarily suspend all or part of this policy. Suspension of all or part of this policy, however, in no way relieves the Board of its obligation to comply with the pertinent local, state, and federal laws and regulations or the rules and regulations of the Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education.
- VI. Review
  - A. This policy will be reviewed at the end of three years, or sooner, if approved by majority vote of the Board of Education in public session.
- VII. Effective Date

Administration 1930 Adopted: 10/12/06 Revised: 11/12/09; 11/8/12; 10/08/15; 2/7/19; 3/10/22 Page 1 of 2 A. This policy is effective March 10, 2022.

## **Citations**

State Law:§§ 11-704, 11-721, and 11-722 of the Criminal Procedure Article of the Annotated Code of<br/>Maryland<br/>§ 6-113 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland<br/>§ 5-561 of the Family Law Article of the Annotated Code of MarylandState Reg.:Federal Law:Adm. Reg.:Adm. Reg.:Neg. Agr.:Other Citation: