



2017-2018
Cecil County Public Schools
ANNUAL REPORT



Superintendent's Message



I am pleased to share with you the 2017-2018 CCPS Annual Report which contains important financial information and describes significant accomplishments of Cecil County Public Schools' students and staff from the most recently completed school year. The 2017-2018 school year began a time of transition for CCPS with Dr. Devine's announcement to retire as Superintendent of Schools following a

42-year career. I was appointed to the position effective July 1 and it continues to be my honor to serve this school system and this county.

The students and staff of CCPS continue to excel and receive recognition for significant accomplishments in both the classroom and the greater community. As a system, our focus remains on providing a world-class education with opportunities and supports for ALL students. We are equally committed to providing a high quality, people-first work environment for our employees.

On behalf of the Board of Education and the employees of Cecil County Public Schools, I would like to thank you for your support of our county schools.

Sincerely,
Jeffrey A. Lawson, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Leadership Team

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Superintendent of Schools

Georgia Clark
*Executive Director for
Elementary School Education*

R. Joseph Buckley, Ed.D.
*Associate Superintendent for
Administrative Services*

Anne Gellrich
*Executive Director for
Secondary School Education*

Carolyn Teigland, Ed.D.
*Associate Superintendent for
Education Services*

Sean Cannon
*Executive Director for
Staff Relations*

Thomas Kappra
Chief Financial Officer

Perry Willis
*Executive Director for
Support Services*

2018-2019 Board of Education

District 1- William Manlove

District 2- James Fazzino

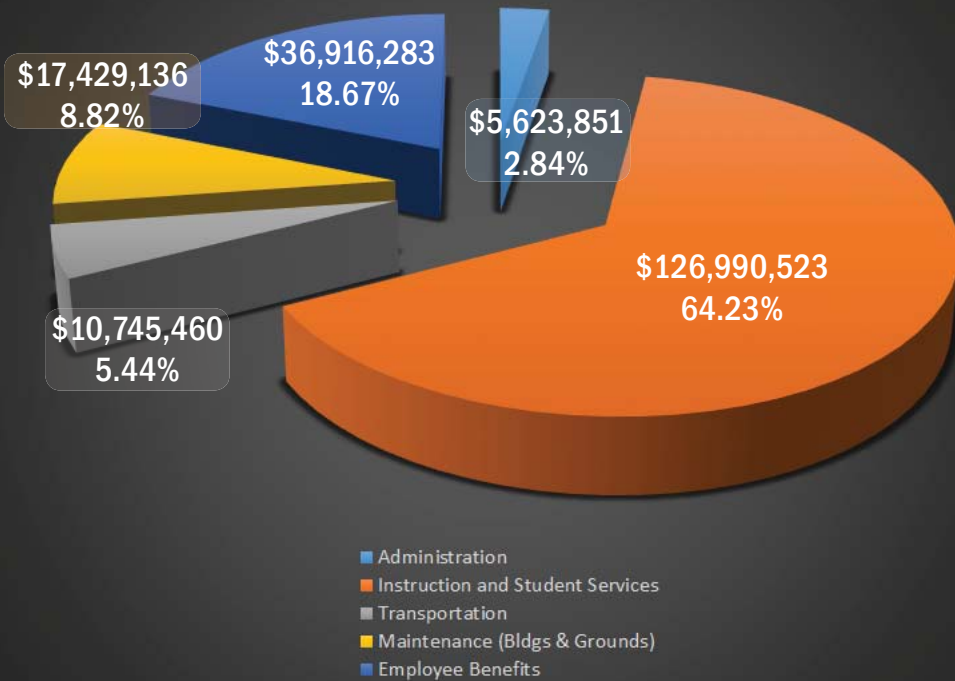
District 3- Christie Stephens

District 4- William Malesh

District 5- Diana Hawley

Student Member- Kayla Russell





Revenue Over Expenses

\$1,149,519

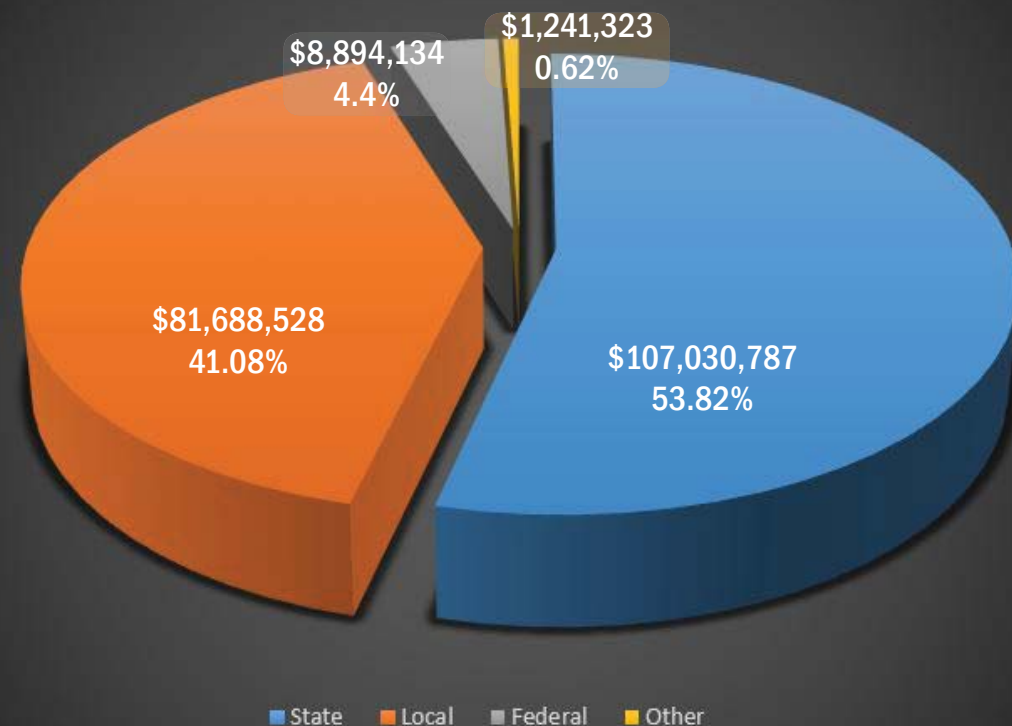
Fund Balance - Beginning 7/1/17

\$16,339,378

Fund Balance - Ending 6/30/18

\$17,488,897

Fiscal Year 2018 FINANCIALS



SOLAR

REDUCED EMISSIONS EQUIVALENT TO:



364,347 TREES GROWN FOR 10 YEARS



32,815,372 AUTO MILES

THREE SOLAR ARRAYS

TOTAL CAPACITY OF 6.63 MW DC

31% OF TOTAL ELECTRIC

TOTAL SAVINGS TO-DATE \$429,819



Direct Instruction
71¢

Instructional
Support
11¢

Buildings &
Grounds
10¢

Transportation
5¢

Administration
3¢

The Education
DOLLAR



Bohemia Manor High School

Planning for the new turf field began in partnership with Cecil County Parks and Recreation in May. The field was dedicated this fall.

Rising Sun Elementary School Playground

In April 2018, RSES debuted a new ADA playground. Through Ryan's Birthday Party Foundation, the school obtained a \$350,000 Qualified Zone Academy Bond and the foundation provided a 10 percent match. Students at the school raised another \$2,733 toward the playground that features inclusive equipment and multi-sensory play.



Chesapeake City Elementary



Planning and Design are underway for the new replacement school to be located on the campus of Bohemia Manor Middle & High.

New Boiler Installations

Perryville High School
Rising Sun Elementary School
Conowingo Elementary School

New Water Line Installations

Cecil Manor Elementary School
Bohemia Manor Middle/High Schools

CAPITAL PROJECTS



Gilpin Manor Project

Construction on this project was completed over the summer of 2018 and opened to the public for the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year. The final phase of the sitework will be completed over the winter months with a ribbon cutting to be scheduled for the spring of 2019.



Secure Entrance Renovations

Secure entrance projects were completed at Perryville High, Rising Sun High, Kenmore Elementary, and Elkton Middle during summer of 2018.



Teacher of the Year: Staci Lamb

In April, Ms. Staci Lamb of Elkton High School was named the 2018 Cecil County Teacher of the Year and was later named a state finalist for Maryland Teacher of the Year.

As a language arts teacher, Staci is committed to engaging students, sparking creativity, and empowering other educators. She is the Freshman Class Advisor and coordinates the Elkton High House System, an initiative designed to promote student leadership, positive behavior, and school culture. She is a member of the school improvement team, presents school and county professional development on topics such as engagement and classroom management, and shares her innovative strategies on her teacher Instagram under the username @theengagingstation.

She has a bachelor's degree in English Education from University of Delaware and is pursuing her master's degree in School Leadership from Wilmington University.

Colleague and former Teacher of the Year, Jacob Bauer-Zebley stated, "She inspires both educators and students. She instills a desire for learning in young people. She is a teacher I strive to be more like each and every day."

Ms. Lamb has been teaching in Cecil County Public Schools for 6 years.

Bohemia Manor High School was the recipient of the first annual School Sportsmanship Award.



The Arts Are Alive

29 Secondary Chorus students made All State Chorus

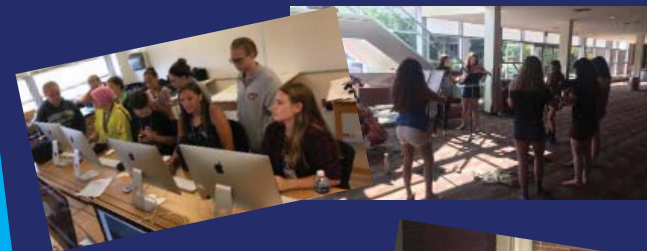
1 student advanced to All Eastern (top 6% in state)

1 student made All State Band
12 Secondary Performance Groups (Band and Chorus) achieved Superior Status at the State Level Competition

172 students attended the annual Upper Chesapeake Summer Center for the Arts

Sportsmanship Awards

Rising Sun High School Corollary Tennis
Bohemia Manor High School Girls' Cross Country
North East High School Girls' Cross Country
North East High School Football
Bohemia Manor High School Field Hockey
North East High School Golf
Bohemia Manor High School Boys' Soccer
Bohemia Manor High School Girls' Soccer
Perryville High School Volleyball
North East High School Corollary Bowling
Bohemia Manor High School Boys' Basketball
Rising Sun High School Girls' Basketball
Elkton High School Wrestling
Elkton High School Tennis
Perryville High School Girls' Track & Field
North East High School Girls' Track & Field
Bohemia Manor High School Girls' Lacrosse
North East High School Boys' Track & Field
Rising Sun High School Corollary Bocce



Record-Breaking Conference Success for North East FBLA

The North East High School FBLA once again had great success at the FBLA National Conference. They were designated an Outstanding Local Chapter (only two schools in the state received this award!) and Myan Mitchell earned the America level of FBLA Business Achievement Award. The chapter also earned 10th place in the Local Chapter Annual Business Report competition.



Dr. Lawson Appointed Superintendent of Schools

In May, the Board of Education announced the appointment of Dr. Jeffrey Lawson as Superintendent of Cecil County Public Schools effective July 1, 2018. The announcement followed a national search conducted by the members of the Board and their consultants from the Maryland Association of Boards of Education (MABE).

Following the announcement, Dr. Lawson stated, "I am humbled, grateful, and inspired by the level of support I've been given from CCPS staff throughout this entire process. I will work each day to continually improve this school system so that we can better serve our students and families." Prior to his appointment, Dr. Lawson had served the previous nine years in CCPS as the Associate Superintendent of Education Services and as the Executive Director for High School Education.

GREEN SCHOOL RECOGNITIONS

Charlestown Elementary
(recertification)

Bainbridge Elementary
(recertification)

Thomson Estates Elementary
(first certification)

STATE CHAMPIONS

Bohemia Manor High School Boys' Cross Country - Fall 2017 State Class 1A Champions

Zachary Laird, Bohemia Manor High School Boys' Cross Country Individual Champion

Connor Yedinak- State 2A Indoor Track Shot Put Champion

Cage Jones - State 1A Indoor Track Pole Vault Champion

Elizabeh Kuhn, Perryville High School- State 1A Indoor Track Pole Vault Champion, Girls' Class State 1A Pole Vault Champion

Alex Longeway, Bohemia Manor High School- State Class 1A Boys' 1600 and 3200 Meter Run Champion

Bohemia Manor High School- State Class 1A Softball Champions

Rising Sun High School Unified Outdoor Bocce - 2017 State High School Championship Gold Medalists

Step Up Against Bullying Poster Contest Winners

Elementary School Winner
Gabriel Kiebler
Conowingo Elementary

Middle School Winner
Anne Chestnut
Perryville Middle

High School Winner
Abigail Price
Perryville High School

Layout Design Contest
Winner

Madison Willis
North East High School/
Cecil County School of Technology



Cecil County School of Technology Graduation



294 seniors from the Cecil County School of Technology Class of 2018 were recognized at a graduation ceremony held at Rising Sun High School, receiving the Certificate of Completion from their respective programs of study. The class of 2018 earned a total of 374 certifications.

This was the first class to graduate at a June ceremony following the A/B schedule modification that extended the programs over the course of the junior and senior year as opposed to a two-semester program.



Graduation Rate Announcement

In December 2017, it was announced that for the second year in a row, the Cecil County Public Schools graduation rate had topped 90 percent while the dropout rate remained at an all-time low, according to data released by the Maryland State Department of Education. The class of 2017 had a graduation rate of 90.54 percent and a dropout rate of 7.25 percent, about the same as the class of 2016's graduation rate of 90.65 percent and dropout rate of 7.48 percent. The Cecil Whig named this as the Most Uplifting Story of 2017.

Cardo Receives Educator of the Year

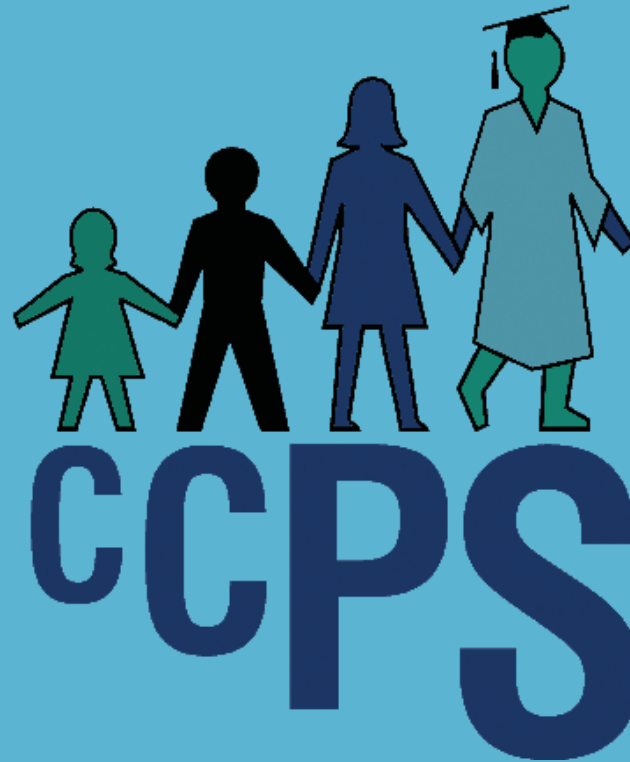


Mr. Frank Cardo was named 2018 Educator of the Year by the Chesapeake Bay Trust at its 2018 Annual Awards and Scholarship Program held in the Maryland General Assembly.

The Environmental Educator of the Year is awarded to a K-12 educator who has shown an outstanding commitment to environmental education. Mr. Cardo serves as the Program

Coordinator for Science and STEM at CCPS and has been instrumental in embedding systemic environmental education into the curriculum for every student during every academic year.

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MISSION

Our mission is to provide an excellent prekindergarten through graduation learning experience that enables ALL students to demonstrate the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required for lifelong learning and productive citizenship in an ever-changing global society.