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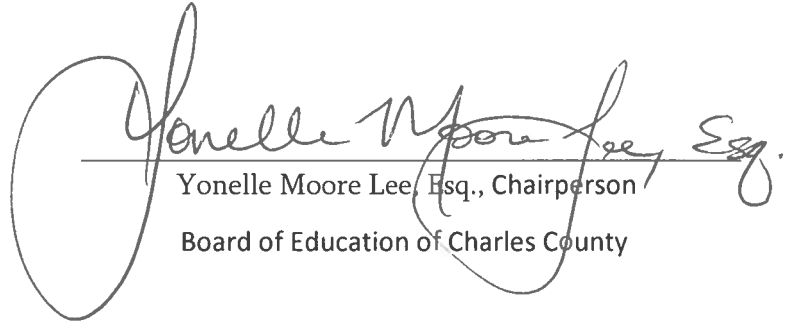
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Yonelle Moore Lee, Esq., *Chairperson*

Yonelle Moore Lee was born in Guyana, South America, and is the first generation in her family educated in the United States. She is an attorney, mediator and part owner of an investment club and a real estate investment company. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of D.C., and a Juris Doctor from Pepperdine University School of Law. Mrs. Moore Lee is a graduate of both the Leadership Southern Maryland Executive Program and the Dorothy Irene Height Global Leadership Academy. She is currently studying at the College of Southern Maryland to regain her fluency in Spanish. Mrs. Moore Lee serves as Vice Chair of the American Bar Association's GP, Solo and Small Firm Division's Women's Initiative Network and Judiciary Committees. She is also the Region IV Treasurer of the National Bar Association, and Recording Secretary of the Southern Maryland (MD) Chain Chapter of The Links, Incorporated. Mrs. Moore Lee is a Diamond Life member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., where she was also elected to the Eastern Regional Nominating Committee. Mrs. Moore Lee is happily married to her hero Jonathan, Sr., a former U.S. Marine and Purple Heart recipient. They have three children - Gabrielle, Jonathan Junior, and Jackson. She is serving her first term as a Board Member.



Nicole M. Kreamer, *Vice Chairperson*

Nicole M. Kreamer is a senior-level healthcare professional of over 20 years, holding several leadership positions throughout the Washington, DC metro area. She has also worked part-time as a substitute teacher for Charles County Public Schools. She and her family have lived in Charles County for 19 years. She is a graduate of the University of Maryland, University College with a dual Masters in Healthcare Administration and an MBA. She is the proud mom of two CCPS graduates, 2017 and 2021 respectively, and her youngest is in elementary school. Ms. Kreamer is an active member of the Charles County community. She is a certified facilitator for the Gals Lead Mentorship Program and a mentor with Stella's Girls, Inc. She is an alumni mentor for UMGC, a certified Blueprint Advocate with Strong Schools Maryland, member of the Charles County Branch of the NAACP, and member of the Board of Directors for American Association of Healthcare Administrative Management (AAHAM). Ms. Kreamer is serving her first term as a Board Member.



Dottery Butler-Washington

Dottery Butler-Washington is the IT Program Manager for the Department of Defense within the Pentagon. Born in Greensboro, GA and moved to Waldorf, MD, by way of the military, Mrs. Butler-Washington is a proud Navy veteran. She earned her Bachelor of Science from Saint Leo University in Computer Information Systems and her Master of Business in Technology Management. Mrs. Butler-Washington is a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, The Links Incorporated, the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW), and the Charles County Branch of the NAACP. She is Vice President of the Center of Children's Board of Directors. A resident of Waldorf, Mrs. Butler-Washington is married to Maurice Washington, retired Navy 23 years and has two sons and four grandchildren. Mrs. Butler-Washington is serving her first term as a Board Member.



David Hancock

David Hancock is a small business owner and manages Hancock Family Farms in La Plata. He is a past president and current board member of the Charles County Farm Bureau, 2016 Young Farmer of the Year, board member of the Eastern Virginia Feeder Calf Association and a board member of the University of Maryland Extension Advisory Board. Mr. Hancock is a 2008 graduate of the UA Mechanical Trade School through Montgomery College and a 2002 graduate of La Plata High School. He lives in Charles County with his wife, Kim, and their three children. Mr. Hancock is serving his second term as a Board of Education Member.



Michael Lukas

Michael Lukas is a retired engineer and branch manager for the Department of the Navy. Born in Washington D.C., and moving to Maryland when he was seven, Mr. Lukas proudly calls himself a Marylander and attended Prince George's Community College, and the University of Maryland, College Park where he earned a degree in electrical engineering. He completed graduate studies in systems engineering at George Mason University and the Naval Post Graduate School. Mr. Lukas has volunteered with the Greater Waldorf Jaycees where he served as the community vice president. He enjoys playing and coaching soccer and has volunteered with the Boy Scouts where he was an assistant Scoutmaster. He has lived in Charles County for 25 years with his wife, Kim, who is a teacher at the College of Southern Maryland and their son who is a 2016 CCPS graduate. Mr. Lukas was first elected to the Board in 2010 and is serving in his fourth term.



Jamila Smith

Jamila Smith has over 15 years of education policy experience as a civil servant, and throughout her career she has held several leadership positions. Mrs. Smith is a dedicated and active community leader who has served on the PTO, as a school volunteer supporting college and career preparation from elementary through high school, as a Board member on the Charles County Early Childhood Advisory Council, and is an active member of the Tri-county Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and the Southern Maryland Chapter of Jack and Jill, Inc. Mrs. Smith holds a bachelor's degree from Georgetown University, a master's degree from The Catholic University of America, and is a doctoral candidate at the American University School of Education's education policy and leadership program. She resides in Waldorf with her husband and is the proud mom of three children, who attend Charles County Public Schools. Mrs. Smith is serving her first term as a Board Member.



Brenda Thomas

Mrs. Brenda Thomas is a lifelong resident of Charles County and a retired Federal Government employee having served for over 25 years in the Department of Treasury's Bureau of Printing and Engraving. She is currently the President of the Western Charles County Community Association (WCCCA). She is also an active Community Advocate in the county, especially in the Nanjemoy area, where she often organizes children's programs focusing on underserved communities and aiding those with substance abuse. She is deeply respected for her efforts in assisting families during emergencies in disaster situations. She has also provided essential projects and recruitment assistance for an important cancer research initiative in collaboration with Morgan State University. She is an entrepreneur, owning Keystone Enterprise Solutions Inc. and operating other successful businesses. Mrs. Thomas is a proud member of the Piscataway Conoy Tribe, still residing on this ancestral land in Indian Head, MD with her husband Danny.



Samichie K. Thomas

Samichie K. Thomas was selected by the Board of Education in October 2023 to fill the District 1 vacancy on the Board. Thomas holds a master's degree in Human Resources Management and Development from Bowie State University, and a bachelor's degree in Social Work with a minor in education, also from Bowie State University. She has an extensive background in human resources management within the public sector for federal agencies. She currently serves as the public sector HR Information systems consulting director overseeing business development for a private sector Software Development corporation. She has been a parent of students in Charles County Public School since 2006 and a resident of Charles County for over 20 years.



Linda Warren

Linda Warren is a public information officer for the Charles County Department of Health. She is also an adjunct instructor at the College of Southern Maryland for the Kids and Teens College program. Mrs. Warren formerly taught middle school health education in both the Baltimore City and Prince George’s County Public school systems. She has served in other educational leadership capacities in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Warren is the founder of Young Pioneers Enrichment Center Inc. She earned her bachelor of science degree in health science from Lincoln University and her master’s degree in education from Liberty University. Mrs. Warren lives in Charles County with her husband. Mrs. Warren represents Charles County District 4 and is serving her first term as a Board member.



Maria V. Navarro, Ed.D., *Superintendent of Charles County Public Schools*

Maria V. Navarro, Ed.D., is a veteran educator who has served in various teaching and leadership roles in Maryland, Delaware and Washington, D.C. Prior to working for CCPS, Navarro was an education consultant working to support school systems and government agencies to improve learning opportunities for young people. Dr. Navarro was the chief academic officer for Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) in Maryland for six years and was the acting Chief Academic Officer in Baltimore City Public Schools (BCPS) for five years. Prior to joining Baltimore City schools, Navarro worked as a senior-level administrator for the Christina School District in Delaware and as a teacher and administrator for the Cesar Chavez Public Charter High School in Washington, D.C. Navarro holds a bachelor’s degree from the University of Delaware, a master’s degree in science education from Temple University and a doctorate in Educational Leadership and Policy from The George Washington University. Navarro is bilingual and speaks Spanish and English, and has intermediate proficiency in French and Portuguese.



Samarjeet Virk, *Student Member*

Samarjeet Virk is a North Point High School senior and Student Member of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 school year. Virk has built leadership experience by serving as the captain of the North Point Cross Country team. Recognizing the value of uplifting emerging learners so they can be tomorrow's leaders, Virk also tutors students as a member of North Point's Math Honor Society chapter. Virk co-founded the club Philoso-Tea (Philosophy and Tea) at North Point to encourage philosophical debate and inquiry in his community. Participation in several Model UN conferences has provided Virk with delegation and public speaking experience. During his term, he aims to bridge the gap of awareness and representation between students and administration of Charles County, as well as improve the college and career readiness of the county's students. Outside of his studies, Virk has been a player in North Point's wind and jazz ensembles, and marching band. He enjoys learning punk and metal music on his electric guitar in his spare time.



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June 27, 2024

Mr. Alex Donahue
Executive Director
Interagency Commission on School Construction
200 W. Baltimore Street, Suite 200
Baltimore, MD 21201

Re: Educational Facilities Master Plan

Dear Mr. Donahue:

I have enclosed our FY 2024 Educational Facilities Master Plan, which was approved by the Board of Education of Charles County at their June 11, 2024 meeting. The revised plan was prepared in accordance with guidelines and procedures for development and submission of the Educational Facilities Master Plan and reflects our needs for FY 2025 and beyond.

The proposed new school facilities, additions, renovations and planning requested are required to implement current and future educational programs for the students of Charles County and to provide equal educational opportunities throughout the county.

We respectfully request approval for our Educational Facilities Master Plan.

Sincerely,

Maria Navarro, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools

Enclosure

cc: Michael L. Heim *MLH 6/27/24*
Steven Andritz *SMA 6/27/24*



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June 21, 2024

Mr. Michael Heim
Assistant Superintendent of Supporting Services
Charles County Public Schools
Post Office Box 2770
La Plata, MD 20646-2770

Dear Mr. Heim:

The Charles County Department of Planning and Growth Management has reviewed the *Fiscal Year 2025 Educational Facilities Master Plan (EFMP)* prepared by the Charles County Board of Education. It was our pleasure to provide input into the preparation of the document, including the Community Analysis Section.

Our review of the EFMP indicates that the Plan is in basic agreement with the 2016 Charles County Comprehensive Plan, Charles County's development patterns and projections for growth in the County.

We appreciate this opportunity to review the *Fiscal Year 2025 Educational Facilities Master Plan* update, and to coordinate the future needs of the public school system with the comprehensive planning needs of the entire community. If you should have any questions regarding our review of the EFMP, please feel free to contact Ms. Amy Blessinger at (301) 645-0650 or by e-mail at blessinga@charlescountymd.gov

Sincerely,

Charles Rice
Charles Rice (Jun 21, 2024 10:03 EDT)

Charles R. Rice, AICP
Planning Director

cc: Amy Blessinger, AICP, Planner III



Maryland DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

5/6/2024

Dr. Maria V. Navarro
Superintendent
Charles County Public Schools
P.O. Box 2770
LaPlata, MD 20646

Dear Dr. Navarro:

Thank you for submitting the Charles County Public Schools enrollment projections for 2024-2033, in accordance with the regulations of the Interagency Commission on School Construction (IAC).

The Maryland Department of Planning reviewed your submission and compared your data to the school enrollment projections generated by the State Data Center (see attached) and have found the difference to be less than five percent for the years 2024-2033. Therefore, your projections can be used to prepare your 2024 Educational Facilities Master Plan (EFMP) and 2025 Capital Improvement Program submissions.

When preparing your EFMP submission, please ensure the 2023 actual enrollment on your calculation worksheet is consistent with the official enrollment figure generated by the Maryland State Department of Education. The Maryland Department of Planning recognizes the Maryland State Department of Education's K-12 enrollment figure as the official enrollment for the 2023/2024 school year.

We look forward to receiving your EFMP in July. A copy of this letter and its attachment should be included in the plan. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at chuck.boyd@maryland.gov or (410) 767-1401.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Boyd, AICP
Assistant Secretary of Planning Services

cc: Alex Donahue, Executive Director, Interagency Commission on School Construction
Alfred Sundara, AICP, Manager, Projections and State Data Center

Comparison of School Enrollment Projections

| Jurisdiction | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | 2031 | 2032 | 2033 |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Charles | 26,731 | 27,860 | 28,010 | 28,250 | 28,500 | 28,840 | 29,170 | 29,360 | 29,730 | 30,090 | 30,510 |
| MDP | 26,731 | 26,910 | 27,010 | 27,200 | 27,400 | 27,690 | 27,970 | 28,110 | 28,430 | 28,740 | 29,110 |
| Diff | 0 | 950 | 1,000 | 1,050 | 1,100 | 1,150 | 1,200 | 1,250 | 1,300 | 1,350 | 1,400 |
| % Diff | 0.00% | 3.53% | 3.70% | 3.86% | 4.01% | 4.15% | 4.29% | 4.45% | 4.57% | 4.70% | 4.81% |



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April 12, 2024

Maryland Department of Planning
301 West Preston Street, Suite 1101
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dear Travis Beal,

Enclosed are enrollment projections for Charles County for school years 2024-2033. Our enrollment figures do not differ from state projections by more than 5% for any of the ten years, therefore we agree with the Maryland Department of Planning forecast.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

Michael L. Heim

cc: Dr. Navarro
Steve Andritz
Ken Schroeck

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Director of Planning & Construction

Jason L. Tonkins
Director of Transportation

Glenn Belmore
Risk Manager

April K. Murphy
Supervisor of Operations

Thomas C. Gagan
Supervisor of Maintenance

ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS FOR CHARLES COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2024-2033

| Year | Kindergarten | Grade 1 | Grade 2 | Grade 3 | Grade 4 | Grade 5 | Grade 6 | Grade 7 | Grade 8 | Grade 9 | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 | CCPS TOAL | NO PREK | MARYLAND | DIFFERENCE |
|------|--------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|---------|----------|------------|
| 2024 | 1855 | 1863 | 2013 | 1983 | 1963 | 2033 | 2103 | 2253 | 2134 | 2550 | 2480 | 2325 | 2305 | 27860 | 27860 | 26910 | 3.53% |
| 2025 | 1855 | 1951 | 1921 | 2061 | 2051 | 2021 | 2136 | 2187 | 2347 | 2575 | 2385 | 2220 | 2300 | 28010 | 28010 | 27010 | 3.70% |
| 2026 | 1877 | 1926 | 2016 | 1987 | 2147 | 2127 | 2093 | 2153 | 2214 | 2825 | 2465 | 2185 | 2235 | 28250 | 28250 | 27200 | 3.86% |
| 2027 | 1877 | 1893 | 1963 | 2053 | 2032 | 2192 | 2250 | 2210 | 2270 | 2720 | 2670 | 2210 | 2160 | 28500 | 28500 | 27400 | 4.01% |
| 2028 | 1897 | 1888 | 1937 | 2006 | 2106 | 2086 | 2360 | 2330 | 2290 | 2720 | 2580 | 2430 | 2210 | 28840 | 28840 | 27690 | 4.15% |
| 2029 | 1924 | 1912 | 1954 | 2024 | 2103 | 2203 | 2253 | 2403 | 2374 | 2720 | 2580 | 2320 | 2400 | 29170 | 29170 | 27970 | 4.29% |
| 2030 | 1930 | 1944 | 1974 | 2014 | 2114 | 2184 | 2360 | 2320 | 2490 | 2840 | 2570 | 2320 | 2300 | 29360 | 29360 | 28110 | 4.45% |
| 2031 | 1940 | 1998 | 2018 | 2038 | 2098 | 2178 | 2293 | 2383 | 2354 | 3000 | 2730 | 2360 | 2340 | 29730 | 29730 | 28430 | 4.57% |
| 2032 | 1994 | 2044 | 2083 | 2083 | 2133 | 2173 | 2307 | 2377 | 2476 | 2860 | 2810 | 2440 | 2310 | 30090 | 30090 | 28740 | 4.70% |
| 2033 | 2030 | 2100 | 2120 | 2150 | 2170 | 2200 | 2260 | 2340 | 2420 | 3000 | 2730 | 2555 | 2435 | 30510 | 30510 | 29110 | 4.81% |

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