



# What Works to Improve Student Success

The Maryland Story

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# Maryland Out of School Time Network (MOST)

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- One of 50 Statewide Afterschool Networks supported by the Mott Foundation
- Maryland Affiliate to the National Afterschool Association
- Established in 2007
- Currently also serve as backbone organization for Maryland Coalition for Community Schools





# Education Funding Formula Changes – A Generational Opportunity

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1999 – Thornton Commission Established

2002 – Bridge to Excellence Passed

2007 – Inflationary Index Frozen

2016 – Kirwan Commission Established

2019 – Final Report Issued and “Bridge” Bill Passed

2020 – Blueprint for Maryland Future is Passed and then Vetoed

2021 – Blueprint Veto Override – HB 1300 Becomes Law



# Blueprint for Maryland's Future

## 1 Early Childhood

Pre-K Expansion  
Kindergarten  
Readiness  
Family Support  
Centers

## 2 Teachers

Recruitment  
Training  
Career Ladders  
Increasing  
Compensation

## 3 College & Career

Meeting  
standards  
CTE and Career  
Pathways  
Guidance  
Counseling

## 4 More Resources

ELL & Special  
Education  
Weights  
Community  
Schools  
Per-Pupil  
funding for High  
Poverty Schools

## 5 Accountability

Accountability &  
Implementation  
Board  
Expert Review  
Teams  
PISA  
Outcomes

# Community Schools Expanding

- Every school where 55% of students are experiencing poverty (as currently defined by the law) will be a Community School by 2025.
- More than 400 schools in 2023-24
- Personnel Grants - \$257,000
  - Full-time Community School Coordinator
  - Health Practitioner
- Phase-In (2030) - Sliding Scale Per Pupil funds - \$150-\$3300 per student

Essentials for Community School Transformation

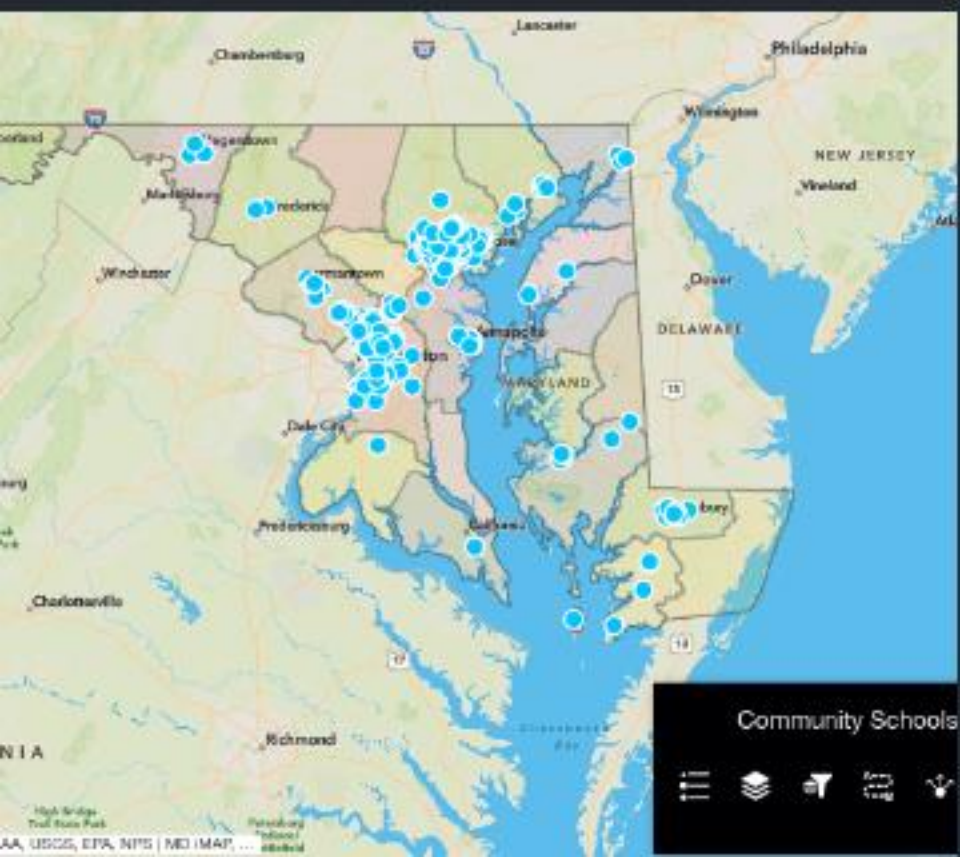


Four Pillars of Community Schools





# Alignment with Afterschool



- Core Activity of Community Schools
- Common Use of Per Pupil Funding
- Mapping Community Schools with and without Expanded Learning Opportunities

# Lessons Learned

Implementation is everything, but corrections may be necessary

Need for investment in systems building, guidance, and support

Complex weaving and braiding of funds for launching and sustainability





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Blueprint Resources:

Accountability and Implementation Board

<https://aib.maryland.gov>

Maryland State Department of Education  
Blueprint Page

<https://blueprint.marylandpublicschools.org/>

