

# BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

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Responsible Office: BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

## SCHOOL BOARD LEGAL STATUS

### A. PURPOSE

To identify the Board of Education of Anne Arundel County (Board) as a legal body politic.

### B. ISSUE

In accordance with the Education Article, *Annotated Code of Maryland*, the Board is a body politic and corporate by the name of the Board of Education of Anne Arundel County. The Board is a government agency but is not a department of the Anne Arundel County Government. Although the Board receives funding from the Anne Arundel County Government, state law is clear that the Board is a state agency.

### C. POSITION

The Board shall have perpetual existence; may sue and be sued; and may have, use, alter, or abandon a common seal. The power given belongs not to individual Board members, but to the entire Board. No single Board member can bring suit where the ground of action is a matter affecting the Board as a whole.

Policy History: Adopted on 8/18/10.

*Note previous policy history:* Replaces Policy 200, adopted 10/16/89.