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Mr. Rick Pollitt
Wicomico County Executive
Government Office Building, Room 303
P. O. Box 870
Salisbury, MD 21803-0870

NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT

Dear Mr. Pollitt:

On November 15, 2011, the Superintendent of Wicomico County Public Schools, Dr. John Fredericksen, filed a Maintenance of Effort Certification Statement (Attached) with the Maryland State Department of Education. Pursuant to Education Article §5-213 and based on the dollar amounts reflected on the certificate, I find that Wicomico County is not in compliance with its FY 2012 maintenance of effort requirement. Specifically, because Wicomico County was granted a waiver of the FY 2011 Maintenance of Effort requirements by the State Board of Education, the FY 2012 requirement is based on the greater of FY 2010 or FY 2011 per pupil local appropriation. Therefore, the maintenance of effort level amount for FY 2012 is \$50,126,691. Wicomico County failed to meet that target. Dr. Fredericksen has certified that the net local appropriation was \$36,196,892.

If the county disputes this finding of noncompliance, it may send to me within 30 days of the issuance of this notice of memorandum setting forth the basis for disputing this finding. I will refer the matter to the State Board of Education which will make the final determination.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Bernard J. Sadusky, Ed. D.
Interim State Superintendent of Schools

C: Dr. John Fredericksen
✓ James DeGraffenreidt
Anthony South
Elizabeth M. Kameen

**CERTIFICATION STATEMENT
STATE SHARE OF THE FOUNDATION PROGRAM
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012**

FY 2010 FY 2011 FY 2012

Education Article Section 5-202 (b) through (d) requires that to be eligible to receive State Share of the Foundation Program the following must be met:

A. Minimum Share (local wealth x local contribution rate) from Foundation Program Calculation for Fiscal Year 2012 \$ 28,607,260

B The product of Enrollment for the current fiscal year and the local appropriation on a per pupil basis for the prior fiscal year

Fiscal Year Highest Local Appropriation * to the School Operating Budget

50,781,711 ✓ 43,196,892 ✓

Divided by

FTE Enrollment as of 9-30-2008 for Fiscal Year 2010
FTE Enrollment as of 9-30-2009 for Fiscal Year 2011

14,013.00 13,962.00

Appropriation per Student for each Fiscal Year

\$ 3,623-90 ✓ \$ 3,093-89

The Greater of FY 2010 or FY 2011 Per Pupil Appropriation

\$ 3,623 -90 ✓

Multiplied By

FTE Enrollment as of 9-30-2010 for Fiscal Year 2012

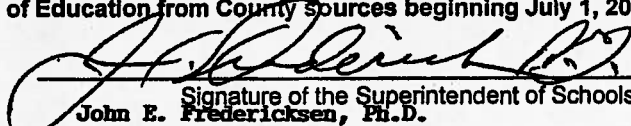
13,832.25

Equals

Maintenance of Effort Level

50,126,691 ✓

In accordance with the above requirements of the Acts of the General Assembly, I hereby certify that the above information is correct and that \$ 36,196,892 is the Net Local Appropriation* that will be provided to the Wicomico County Board of Education from County sources beginning July 1, 2011.



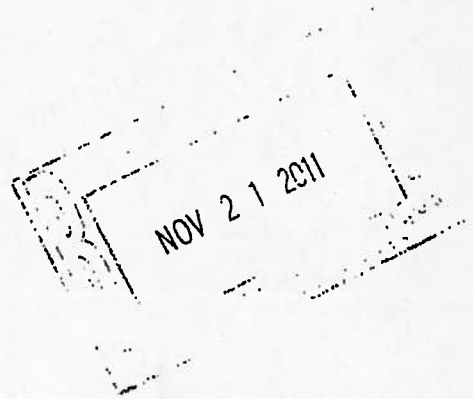
Signature of the Superintendent of Schools
John E. Fredericksen, Ph.D.

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Date

This Certification is to be submitted to the Maryland State Department of Education no later than December 5, 2011.

* See other side for instructions to meet this requirement (amounts shown from line G)
The above calculation is in accordance with the Education Article 5-202(d)(7)(v)



**ADJUSTMENTS TO LOCAL APPROPRIATION
Wicomico**

	<u>FY 2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>FY2012</u>
A. Operating Budget Appropriation	<u>50,781,711</u>	<u>43,196,892</u>	<u>36,196,892</u> ✓
Plus:			
B. Supplemental Appropriations *	-	-	
C. Total Appropriation (A+ B)	<u>\$ 50,781,711</u>	<u>\$ 43,196,892</u>	<u>36,196,892</u> ✓
Less:			
D. Approved** Nonrecurring Costs			
1 Qualifying Exclusion	_____	_____	_____
2 Nonrecurring Supplemental appropriation	_____	_____	_____
3 _____	_____	_____	_____
4 _____	_____	_____	_____
Total Supplemental & Nonrecurring Costs			
E. Program Shifts Between County and Board Budgets *			
1 Debt Service	_____	_____	_____
2 _____	_____	_____	_____
3 _____	_____	_____	_____
Total Program Shifts	\$.	\$ -	\$ -
F. Other Reconciling Items*			
G. Net Local Appropriation (C-D-E-F)	<u>\$ 50,781,711</u>	<u>\$ 43,196,892</u>	<u>\$ 36,196,892</u> ✓

* Provide detail separately

** Allowable to the extent that the Appropriation exceeds the minimum Maintenance of Effort Level.

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