

**MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
PERSONNEL APPROVALS FOR THE January 27, 2015 BOARD MEETING**

**I. Appointments Grade 19 and above:**

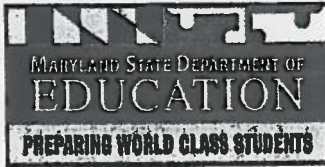
<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY GRADE</u>	<u>DIVISION/OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
Bowers, Jamie	Education Program Specialist I, Education Accountability Specialist	21	Curriculum, Assessment and Accountability	TBD
Goldberg, Benjamin T.	Education Program Specialist I, Education Accountability Specialist	21	Curriculum, Assessment and Accountability	TBD
King, Wendy S.	Education Program Specialist II, Lead Specialist, Gifted and Talented	22	Curriculum Assessment and Accountability	TBD
Lesh, Bruce A.	Education Program Supervisor, Coordinator of Social Studies	22	Curriculum Assessment and Accountability	TBD
Mukhin, Dmitry	Information Technology Director III, Applications Development Manager	22	Information Technology	TBD
O'Connor, Mary L.	Education Program Supervisor, Career and Technology Education	22	Career and College Readiness	TBD
Peregoy, Darlene F.	Program Manager II	20	Rehabilitation Services, Business Relations	TBD
Richardson, Gary W.	Education Program Manager II, Resource Management and Monitoring Branch Chief	24	Special Education/Early Intervention Services	TBD

**II. Appointments Grade 18 and below:**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY GRADE</u>	<u>DIVISION/OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
Winters, Aaron J.	Teacher, Academic-Resource	IEPP	Career and College Readiness, Juvenile Services Education Program	January 7, 2015
Yu, Naomi	Database Specialist II	18	Office of Information Technology	TBD
Lui, Kunning	Database Specialist II	18	Office of Information Technology	TBD
Strickland, Joseph	Computer Network Specialist Lead	18	Office of Information Technology	TBD

**III. Other Actions:**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY GRADE</u>	<u>DIVISION/OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
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**BOARD LIST**

The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

**Name:** Jamie Bowers  
**Position:** Education Program Specialist I, Education Accountability Specialist  
**Division:** Curriculum, Assessment and Accountability Specialist  
**Salary Grade:** State Salary Grade: 21  
Annual Salary Range: \$60,543-\$97,203  
**Effective Date:** TBD

**JOB REQUIREMENTS:**

**EDUCATION:**

Possession of a Master's Degree or equivalent 36 credit hours of post baccalaureate course work from an accredited college or university.

**EXPERIENCE:**

Four (4) years of administrative or teaching experience in or affiliated with an education program; this experience to include coordinating or administering an education research program or education research related area. Experience in statistical analysis, applications development and research, or data management preferred; SAS (Statistical Analysis Software) experience desired.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This is a professional position responsible for providing program support and technical assistance for conducting research related to the accountability program within the Accountability Branch of the Division of Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability.

Jamie Bowers  
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**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:**

Hood College (Frederick, Maryland) 2010 - Master's Degree in Reading Specialization

Shepherd University (Shepherdstown, West Virginia) 2000 - Bachelor's Degree Elementary Education

**Experience:**

Frederick County Public Schools (Frederick, Maryland)

- 2010 – Present: Reading Specialist (Walkersville Elementary School)
- 2009 – 2010: Math Intervention Teacher (Walkersville Elementary School)
- 2005 – 2009: Reading Intervention Teacher (Walkersville Elementary School)
- 2000 – 2004: 5th Grade Classroom Teacher (Walkersville Elementary School)
- 2000 – 2004: 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom Teacher (Lincoln Elementary School)

**EMPLOYMENT STATUS:**

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The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

**Name:** Benjamin Goldberg  
**Position:** Education Program Specialist I, Education Accountability Specialist  
**Division:** Curriculum, Assessment and Accountability  
**Salary Grade:** State Salary Grade: 21  
Annual Salary Range: \$60,543-\$97,203  
**Effective Date:** TBD

**JOB REQUIREMENTS:**

**EDUCATION:**

Possession of a Master's Degree or equivalent 36 credit hours of post baccalaureate course work from an accredited college or university.

**EXPERIENCE:**

Four (4) years of administrative or teaching experience in or affiliated with an education program; this experience to include coordinating or administering an education research program or education research related area. Experience in statistical analysis, applications development and research, or data management preferred; SAS (Statistical Analysis Software) experience desired.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This is a professional position responsible for providing program support and technical assistance for conducting research related to the accountability program within the Accountability Branch of the Division of Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability.

Name Benjamin Goldberg  
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**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:**

New York University (New York, New York) 2008-Master's Degree Higher Education/Student Personnel Administration; 2006-Bachelor's Degree in History Education

**Experience:**

University of Maryland Baltimore County (Baltimore, Maryland)

2010 – Present: Assistant Director, Off-Campus Student Services

2008 – 2010: Coordinator, Off-Campus Student Services

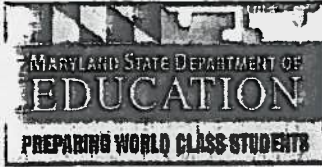
New York University (New York, New York)

2006 – 2008: Graduate Assistant, Commuter Student Services

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The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

**Name:** Wendy Spielman King  
**Position:** Education Program Specialist II, Lead Specialist, Gifted & Talented  
**Division:** Curriculum, Assessment, & Accountability  
**Salary Grade:** State Salary Grade: 22  
Annual Salary Range: \$64,608 – 103,743  
**Effective Date:** TBD

**JOB REQUIREMENTS:**

**EDUCATION:**

A Master's Degree or equivalent 36 credit hours of post baccalaureate course work in Gifted Education, Educational Administration/Supervision or a related field.

**EXPERIENCE:**

Five (5) years of professional administrative, accountability or teaching experience in or affiliated with an education program including two (2) years of experience in coordinating or administering an education program or service directly related to Gifted and Talented. Experience with K-12 Gifted programs preferred.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This position is a professional position responsible for leadership in the implementation of Gifted and Talented Education programs in Maryland.

Wendy Spielman King  
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**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:**

George Mason University (Fairfax, Virginia) 1996-Master's Degree in Curriculum & Instruction

University of Mary Washington (Fredericksburg, Virginia) 1989-Bachelor's Degree in American Studies.

**Experience:**

School District of Palm Beach County (West Palm Beach, Florida)

2009 – Present: K-12 Science Manager

2007 – 2009: Science Supervisor

Christa McAuliffe Middle School (Boynton Beach, Florida)

2007 – 2007: Teacher- Gifted Science

Lantana Middle School (Lantana, Florida)

1997 - 2007: Teacher – Gifted Science

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The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

**Name:** Bruce Allyn Lesh  
**Position:** Education Program Supervisor,  
Coordinator of Social Studies  
**Division:** Curriculum, Assessment, & Accountability  
**Salary Grade:** State Salary Grade: 22  
Annual Salary Range: \$64,608 – \$103,743  
**Effective Date:** TBD

**JOB REQUIREMENTS:**

**EDUCATION:**

A Master's Degree or equivalent 36 credit hours of post baccalaureate course work in Social Studies or Social Studies Education.

**EXPERIENCE:**

Five (5) years of professional administrative, accountability or teaching experience in or affiliated with an education program including two years of experience in coordinating or administering an education program or service directly related to Social Studies experience with K-12 Social Studies programs preferred.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This position is a professional position responsible for the coordination of all activities of the Office of Social Studies for Kindergarten through High School.

Bruce Allyn Lesh  
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**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:**

Villanova University (Villanova, Pennsylvania) 1994 - Master's Degree in American History

Salisbury University (Salisbury, Maryland) 1992 – Bachelor's Degree in History and Political Science

**Experience:**

Baltimore County Public Schools (Towson, Maryland)

1993 – Present: Social Studies Department Chair and Teacher (Franklin High School)

Gilder Lehrman Institution of American History (New York, New York)

2007 - 2012: Co-Editor, History Now

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The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

**Name:** Dmitry Mukhin  
**Position:** Information Technology Assistant Director III - Applications  
Development Manager  
**Division:** Office of Information Technology  
**Salary Grade:** State Salary Grade: 22  
Annual Salary Range: \$64,608 - \$103,743  
**Effective Date:** TBD

**JOB REQUIREMENTS:**

**EDUCATION:**

A Master's Degree or 36 post baccalaureate credit hours of coursework from an accredited college or university in Computer Information Technology, Computer Science, Management Information Systems, or other information technology-related field. Additional Certifications such as Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) preferred.

**EXPERIENCE:**

Five year(s) of experience in information technology projects as a leader for deadline driven visible projects with two (2) years of the required experience including direct supervision of other professional employees. Experience in designing, creating and maintaining systems, policies, procedures and standards, project management, and Oracle experience is desired.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This is a professional management position serving as the Department of Education's Application Development Manager responsible for specialized work to oversee the development, design, and maintenance of the technology requirements and components of Race to the Top (RTTT) systems, and other Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) systems and objectives.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:**

The National Cardiology Center (Moscow, OC) 1990 - Ph.D. Degree in Biophysics

John Hopkins University (Baltimore, Maryland ) 2011 - Master's Degree in Business  
Administration Information Technology

Lomonosov Moscow State University (Moscow, OC) 1984 – Master's Degree in Biophysics;  
1976-Bachelor's Degree in Biology and Mathematics

**Experience:**

Maryland State Department of Education (Baltimore, Maryland)

2013 – Present Program Analyst Supervisor

2007 - 2013 Programmer Analyst

GlobeInvent, Inc., (Baltimore, Maryland)

2011 - present: Co-Founder, Chair of the Board, President

Agility HR, Inc. (Baltimore, Maryland)

2007 Data Center Manager

Getintegrated, Inc., (Baltimore, Maryland)

2001 - 2006: Systems Engineer/Applications Manager

Triad Systems (Columbia, Maryland)

2000 – 2001: Programmer Analyst Consultant

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The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

**Name:** Mary L. O'Connor  
**Position:** Education Program Supervisor, Career and Technology Education  
**Division:** Career and College Readiness  
**Salary Grade:** State Salary Grade: 22  
Annual Salary Range: \$64,608 – \$103,743  
**Effective Date:** TBD

**JOB REQUIREMENTS:**

**EDUCATION:**

A Master's Degree or equivalent 36 credit hours of post-baccalaureate course work in Career and Technology Education, Educational Administration/Supervision or in a CTE related field.

**EXPERIENCE:**

Five (5) years of professional administrative or teaching experience in or affiliated with an education program, CTE preferred. Administrative experience in an area related to CTE preferred.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This is a professional position responsible for supervising Career and Technology Education (CTE) Regional Coordinators and providing technical assistance to 24 local school systems and 16 community colleges on the development, continuous improvement, and evaluation of CTE programs; leads two Career Cluster Teams in the development and implementation of high quality CTE programs; oversees the programmatic federal reporting requirements, local monitoring, annual applications for federal funding, coordination of negotiated performance targets for local recipients, school facility renovations, and updates to the State Plan for Career and Technology Education.

Mary L. O'Connor  
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**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:**

Western Governor's University (Salt Lake City, Utah) 2010-Master's Degree in Health Education

State University of New York (Albany, New York) 1972-Bachelor's Degree in History/Art

**Experience:**

Maryland State Department of Education (Baltimore, Maryland)

2014 – Present: Education Program Specialist I, Career and Technology Education Specialist

Governor's Workforce Investment Board (Baltimore, Maryland)

2010 – 2014: Administrator

Maryland Higher Education Commission (Baltimore, Maryland)

2007 - 2010: Nurse Support Program II Grant Coordinator

Talbot County Health Department (Easton, Maryland)

2001 – 2007: Administrative Officer

University of Wisconsin-Madison (Madison, Wisconsin)

1974 – 1981: Research Specialist

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The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

**Name:** Darlene Peregoy  
**Position:** Program Manager II – Business Relations  
**Division:** Rehabilitation Services, Business Relations  
**Salary Grade:** State Salary Grade: 20  
Annual Salary Range: \$56,743 - \$91,107  
**Effective Date:** TBD

**JOB REQUIREMENTS:**

**EDUCATION:**

A Master's Degree or equivalent 36 credit hours of post baccalaureate course work in Business Administration, Educational Administration, Rehabilitation Counseling, Special Education, Vocational Evaluation, or in a Business related field may be substituted for one (1) year of the required experience in rehabilitation or the adjudication or processing of disability claims.

**EXPERIENCE:**

Five (5) years of professional experience in rehabilitation or in the adjudication or processing of disability claims. Two (2) years of the required experience must have included direct supervision of other professional employees or technical lead of a vocational rehabilitation sub-program.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This is a professional position responsible for directing and managing the activities of the Division of Rehabilitation Services Business Services Branch. This position plans, develops, recommends, and coordinates initiatives to promote integrated competitive employment outcomes for individuals with significant disabilities through business partnerships, marketing activities, staff development, and the provision of technical assistance in support of the Division's goals and objectives.

Darlene Peregoy  
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**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:**

Loyola University (Baltimore, Maryland) 2010 - Master's Degree in Business Administration

Wheeling Jesuit University (Wheeling, West Virginia) 2005 - Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Leadership and Development

West Virginia Northern Community College (Wheeling, West Virginia) 2003 - Associate's Degree in Business Administration

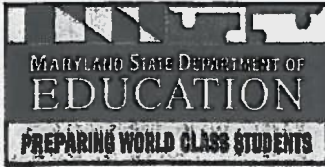
**Experience:**

Maryland State Department of Education, Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) (Baltimore, Maryland)

2008 – Present:	Staff Specialist
2005 – 2008	Staff Specialist – Business Counselor
1985 – 2005:	Management Associate
1977 – 1984:	Office Secretary

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The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

**Name:** Gary Richardson  
**Position:** Education Program Manager II, Resource Management and Monitoring Branch Chief  
**Division:** Special Education/Early Intervention Services  
**Salary Grade:** State Salary Grade: 24  
Annual Salary Range: \$73,612 - \$118,897  
**Effective Date:** TBD

**JOB REQUIREMENTS:**

**EDUCATION:**

Master's Degree or equivalent 36 credit hours of post-baccalaureate course work in Special Education, or Master's Degree in Accounting a related financial field.

**EXPERIENCE:**

Five years of professional experience in a leadership role in special education within a public school system. Experience in the role of Director or Coordinator of Special Education is preferred. Five years of experience in a leadership or supervisory role the field of accounting, or related areas such as budget or grant management is acceptable in place of special education experience.

**DESCRIPTION:**

This is a professional position that includes oversight of management of State and federal allocations for the Part C Infants and Toddlers Program, Part B, Section 619 of the individuals with disabilities, birth through 21 years of age. The position requires leadership in the general supervisory oversight of education program specialists and grant specialists to ensure fiscal and programmatic compliance with the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR), the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR), the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement L and the Single Audit Act Amendment of 1996. The position involves leadership responsibility for the fiscal support to Local School Systems and to all Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services programmatic staff in the maintenance of compliance in the use of the above funding sources.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:**

Drexel University (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) 2006 - Master's Degree in Business Administration

East Stroudsburg University (East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania) 1996 - Bachelor's Degree in Business Management

**Experience:**

Baltimore Convention Center (Baltimore, Maryland)

2013 – Present: Director of Fiscal and Accounting Operations

Friends Meeting School (Ijamsville, Maryland)

2012 – 2013: Chief Financial Officer

District of Columbia Public Schools (Washington, DC)

2011 - 2012: Director of Fiscal Accountability

Baltimore City Public School System (Baltimore, Maryland)

2009 – 2011: Business Operations Liaison

Life Line Screening (Cleveland, Ohio)

2006 – 2008: General Manager, Mid-Atlantic Region

Allegis Group (Baltimore, Maryland; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)

1999 – 2005: Regional Operations Manager, Northeast

**EMPLOYMENT STATUS:**

New Hire