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FOR

BALTIMORE COUNTY

EXECUTIVE

AUTHENTIC. COMMITTED TO ELECT AN HONORABLE, HARD WORKING, TRUSTED.

EDUCATION

Our thriving school system has always served as an anchor in stabilizing our communities. I recognize that strong schools foster strong neighborhoods.

I was raised in Baltimore County and am a graduate of the Baltimore County Public School System – Fort Garrison Elementary School, Pikesville Middle School and Pikesville High School.

As a Senator, I sponsored the bill so we could have an elected school board. For the first time this fall voters will have the chance to vote for members of the school board. I believe that rigorous checks and balances and transparency are necessary to maintaining a strong school system. As state senator, I listened to education advocates and communities to support funding for solutions for overcrowded schools and improve deficient infrastructure. As County Executive, I am committed to continuing the much needed funding of aging infrastructure and rebuilding and renovating our aging schools. We must vigorously address our increasing enrollment as we are fortunate to having increasing enrollment in our public schools.

In regard to operational costs. I will fund more dollars into the classroom to provide more guidance counselors, social workers, and teaching assistants as well as ensuring there are a mandatory acceptable number of nurses and aides to support our students.

Teachers are the heart of our school system and connect with our students every day, I am committed to having our public school sufficiently staffed and funded to support their profound work.

Also, I will encourage the expansion of vocational programs throughout our high schools. These programs provide a well-trained and employable skill for our graduating seniors.

All of our students deserve to spend their days in safe, healthy and innovative classrooms. I support community schools that help our most vulnerable students be better prepared to learn and can provide their families with access to social, health and educational services.

In addition, to our quality public schools, Baltimore County boasts tremendous community college campuses. I support fully funding our campuses as they grow and support need base free tuition to Baltimore County residents at these schools.

Furthermore, our Baltimore County Public Library System is an incredible educational resource in our County. These remarkable institutions need to be maintained and fully funded. Our libraries are anchors for our communities, and encourage life-long learning.