



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

The Honorable Karen Salmon  
State Superintendent of Schools  
Maryland State Department of Education  
200 West Baltimore Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201

August 30, 2018

Dear Superintendent Salmon:

I am writing in response to Maryland's request to the U.S. Department of Education (Department) on June 21, 2018, to amend its approved consolidated State plan under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act. Under ESEA Section 1111(A)(6)(B)(i), if a State makes any significant changes to its plan at any time, such information shall be submitted to the Secretary in the form of revisions and amendments to the State plan.

I have determined that the amended request meets the requirements in the ESEA and, for this reason, I am approving Maryland's amended State plan. A summary of Maryland's amendment is enclosed. This letter, as well as Maryland's revised ESEA consolidated State plan, will be posted on the Department's website. Any further requests to amend Maryland's ESEA consolidated State plan must be submitted to the Department for review and approval.

Please be aware that approval of this amendment to Maryland's consolidated State plan is not a determination that all the information and data included in the amended State plan comply with Federal civil rights requirements, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. It is Maryland's responsibility to comply with these civil rights requirements.

Thank you for all of the work that the Maryland State Department of Education has put into its consolidated State plan under the ESEA. If you need any assistance regarding the implementation of your ESEA consolidated State plan, please contact Ashley Briggs of my staff at: [OSS.Maryland@ed.gov](mailto:OSS.Maryland@ed.gov).

Sincerely,

/s/

Frank Brogan  
Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary  
Education

Enclosure

cc: Mary Gable, Assistant State Superintendent

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### **Amendment to the Maryland Consolidated State Plan**

The following is a summary of Maryland's amendment request. Please refer to the U.S. Department of Education's website

<https://www2.ed.gov/admins/lead/account/stateplan17/map/md.html> for Maryland's complete consolidated State plan.

- Academic Achievement Goals

Maryland updated its baseline data, goals, and measurements of interim progress for academic achievement (mathematics and reading/language arts) based on the school year 2016-2017 data.