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# The Blueprint for Maryland's Future Accountability and Implementation Board Announces Advisory Committee Members

The Blueprint for Maryland's Future Accountability and Implementation Board (AIB) is pleased to announce the first appointments to its new advisory committees. The AIB established four advisory committees to provide additional input and feedback on Blueprint implementation from across the State. The AIB seeks to involve stakeholders and members of the public from diverse geographic, economic, racial, ethnic, cultural, and gender backgrounds who represent various life experiences and viewpoints. "The advisory committee members will provide critical insights, perspectives, and support to the AIB as we work to implement the Blueprint for Maryland's Future," Chair Isiah Leggett stated, "so it is critical that the members reflect the many diverse communities of Maryland."

Board member Joseph Manko chaired a subcommittee of the AIB that reviewed all 213 applications and supporting materials submitted by the June 20, 2022 deadline. "We were extremely impressed by the number and quality of those who applied to serve on an advisory committee," said Mr. Manko. "It was very difficult to narrow the pool of candidates because we received so many excellent applications. However, after a thorough review process, the subcommittee selected highly qualified members whose diverse experiences and perspectives will enrich the AIB."

The AIB received applications from every region of the State and selected at least two members from each region. A total of 24 members were selected to serve on one of the four advisory committees with six members, including one student, on each committee. See below for the full list of members selected for each advisory committee and members by region. Overall, 62.5% of the members selected are women, which reflects the proportion of applications submitted by women. Approximately 33% of members selected are Black, 8% Hispanic, 8% Asian and 33% White, with less than 1% multiracial, and 12.5% who did not report this optional data.

The individuals selected to serve on an Advisory Committee bring unique and diverse backgrounds, expertise, and perspectives. Many of the members represent multiple roles simultaneously

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The identified regions include: **Baltimore Area**: Baltimore City, Baltimore County; **Central**: Anne Arundel, Frederick, Howard; **Eastern**: Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, Worcester; **Montgomery; Northern**: Carroll, Cecil, Harford; **Prince George's**; **Southern**: Calvert, Charles, St. Mary's; and **Western**: Allegany, Garrett, Washington

or from their past experiences including child care providers, teachers, parents, school administrators, higher education faculty or administrators, and community/workforce development. Specifically, nine of the members are parents of current Maryland public school students; five are current Maryland teachers, including one National Board Certified Teacher; and one currently works as a school psychologist. Several members currently work or previously worked in Career and Technical Education roles; one member is also a farmer and another currently serves as a school system Blueprint coordinator.

The AIB Advisory Committees will begin meeting at least quarterly in the near future. Advisory committee members are also invited and encouraged to participate in the AIB's Summer Working Sessions, which begin July 14, to support the development of the Blueprint Comprehensive Implementation Plan that will guide Blueprint implementation at the State and local levels. For more information about the Summer Working Sessions see this flyer (https://bit.ly/AIBSummerSeries).

The AIB would like to express its sincere appreciation to all applicants for their interest in serving on an advisory committee and for their support of the Blueprint for Maryland's Future as it transforms Maryland's education system to provide a world-class education for *every* Maryland student.

### **Advisory Committee Regional Data**

Region Data			
Region	Selected		
Baltimore Area	2		
Central	6		
Eastern	3		
Northern	3		
Montgomery	2		
Prince George's	4		
Southern	2		
Western	2		

## **AIB Advisory Committee Members**

Pillar 1- Early Childhood Education

Name	County of Residence	Race/Ethnicity	Term
Jacob Bennett	Harford	White	2 years
Ruby Daniels	Howard	Asian/ Hispanic	2 years
Linda Gronberg-Quinn	Baltimore	White	1 year
Gina Hoover	Washington	White	1 year
Rainya Miller	Charles	Black	2 years
Sumiya Rahaman*	Carroll	Asian	1 year

Pillar 2- High-Quality and Diverse Teachers and Leaders

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Name	County of Residence	Race/Ethnicity	Term
Kristi Murphy Baldwin	Prince George's	Black	2 years
Oumany Diallo*	Prince George's	Black	1 year
Brian S. King	Charles	Not Reported	1 year
John Seelke	Montgomery	Hispanic	2 years
Linda Stuart	Frederick	White	1 year
Patricia Twitty	Queen Anne's	Black	2 years

Pillar 3- College and Career Readiness

Name	County of Residence	Race/Ethnicity	Term
Peter Banyas*	Howard	Not reported	1 year
Candace Dodson-Reed	Howard	Black	1 year
David Harper	Caroline	White	2 years
Kirkland Murray	Anne Arundel	Black	2 years
Olivia Pearson	Prince George's	Black	1 years
Robin Werner	Talbot County	White	2 years

### Pillar 4- More Resources for Students Who Need Them

Name	County of Residence	Race/Ethnicity	Term
Kara Burhans	Washington	Not Reported	1 year
Eleazar Cruz Eusedio	Montgomery	Asian	1 year
Jaden Farris*	Anne Arundel	White	1 year
Chandra Krantz	Harford	Hispanic	2 years
Dawn Jacobs Martin	Prince George's	Black	2 years
Ellie Mitchell	Baltimore City	White	2 years

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates student member