

Maryland State Department of Education


Race to the Top-Early Learning Challenge Grant (RTT-ELC)

Project 1-Local Early Childhood Advisory Councils (LECAC)

Create 24 **L**ocal **E**arly **C**hildhood **A**dvisory **C**ouncils (LECAC) within each jurisdiction across Maryland.

History (Mission and Goals of the LECAC)

- The purpose of Project 1 grant funds is to provide support for overcoming local school readiness achievement gaps for children with high needs, including children from low-income families, children with disabilities, and English Language Learners.
- Local efforts promote participation in Maryland EXCELS, disseminate professional development in the state's early learning standards and assessments, and assist in coordinating services for children with high needs with the goal of narrowing the school readiness gap.



You've Got Funding!

Funding (Implementation Grant)

Total Implementation Grant Amount Awarded

\$1,080,000

Funding Formula

#of Child Factor 1
Disability Factor 2
ELL Factor 2
FARM Factor 1

- A base amount of \$20,000 per jurisdiction was given before the formula was applied.
- These grants are one-time only and applications will be accepted until November 30, 2013.

24 Jurisdictions

1. Allegany County
2. Anne Arundel County
3. Baltimore City
4. Baltimore County
5. Calvert County
6. Caroline County
7. Carroll County
8. Cecil County
9. Charles County
10. Dorchester County
11. Frederick County
12. Garrett County
13. Harford County
14. Howard County
15. Kent County
16. Montgomery County
17. Prince George's County
18. Queen Anne's County
19. Somerset County
20. St. Mary's County
21. Talbot County
22. Washington County
23. Wicomico County
24. Worcester County

Funding (Target Population)

Jurisdictions	Target Population
1. Allegany County	Low Income and Children with Special Needs
2. Anne Arundel County	ELL and FARMS
3. Baltimore City	Cherry Hill Community (Home & Center Based)
4. Baltimore County	Poverty
5. Calvert County	Low Income, Stay at Home & Informal Caregivers
6. Caroline County	At Risk Kindergarten Children, Children with Disabilities and Prior Care
7. Carroll County	Low Income and Children w/Disabilities
8. Cecil County	Strengthening Families (3-5 High Risk Communities)
9. Charles County	Low Income, Children with Disabilities and ELL
10. Dorchester County	Language & Literacy (All population subgroups)
11. Frederick County	Children with Disabilities
12. Garrett County	Children with Disabilities and Low-Income
13. Harford County	Poverty, Home/Informal Care/ELL and Children with Special Needs
14. Howard County	ELL, Children with Special Needs and FARMS
Jurisdictions	Target Population
15. Kent County	Poverty and Low-Income
16. Montgomery County	Low Income and ELL
17. Prince George's County	Low Income-Three (3) Schools in Southern Prince George's County (Samuel Chase, Allenwood, and Hillcrest Heights) and Center and Family Based Child Care Centers in these communities.
18. Queen Anne's County	FARMS, ELL, Children w/Disabilities and Home/Informal Care
19. St. Mary's County	FARMS/Low Income
20. Somerset County	FARMS/Low Income
21. Talbot County	FARMS/Poverty
22. Washington County	FARMS/ Low Income
23. Wicomico County	ELL and Children with Special Needs/Education
24. Worcester County	FARMS/Low Income

Interim Report (%of funding spent as of Sept. 30, 2014)

Jurisdiction	% of funding spent as of Sept. 30, 2014
1. Allegany County	13%
2. Anne Arundel County	25%
3. Baltimore City	0.04% (will be achieved by end of grant period, see action plan for completion dates)
4. Baltimore County	12%
5. Calvert County	In-kind funding
6. Caroline County	14%
7. Carroll County	37.63%
8. Cecil County	25.60%
9. Charles County	11%
10. Dorchester County	Will begin January 2015 (see updated action plan)
11. Frederick County	4.70%
12. Garrett County	30%
13. Harford County	32.96%
14. Howard County	19%
15. Kent County	2% (will be achieved by end of grant period, see action plan for completion dates)
16. Montgomery County	11.24%
17. Prince George's County	(will be achieved by end of grant period, see action plan for completion dates)
18. Queen Anne's County	Grant amendment request, adjusted funding use timeline
19. Somerset County	92%
20. St. Mary's County	0.5% (will be achieved by end of grant period, see action plan for completion dates)
21. Talbot County	13%
22. Washington County	9.39%
23. Wicomico County	35.69%
24. Worcester County	1% (will be achieved by end of grant period, see action plan for completion dates)

Present



Anne Arundel Co. (Every Child Ready to Read @ Your Library) <http://www.everychildreadytoread.org/>



Calvert Co. (Learning Parties)

EVENT SCHEDULE PLANNER 2014 - 2015

PROJECT/EVENT	LEARNING PARTIES	Every other week Set-up time-10:30AM End time – 12pm	** NO PARTIES IN DECEMBER ** LAST PARTY IN MAY		
ORGANIZER	HEAD START				
PRINCE FREDERICK LIBRARY	STARTING	ENDING	NORTH EAST COMM. CTR.	STARTING	ENDING
OCTOBER	10.9.2014	10.23.2014	OCTOBER	10.10.2014	10.24.2014
NOVEMBER	11.6.2014	11.20.2014	NOVEMBER	11.7.2014	11.21.2014
JANUARY	[Select Date]	1.22.2015	JANUARY	[Select Date]	1.23.2015
FEBRUARY	2.5.2015	2.19.2015	FEBRUARY	2.6.2015	2.20.2015
MARCH	3.12.2015	3.26.2015	MARCH	3.13.2015	3.27.2015
APRIL	4.9.2015	4.23.2015	APRIL	4.10.2015	4.24.2015
MAY	5.7.2015	[Select Date]	MAY	5.8.2015	[Select Date]

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Caroline Co. (Goals/Milestones Reached)

❑ New Website-My Family Needs

The screenshot displays the 'My Family Needs' website. The header features the logo and navigation links: 'About Us', 'Categories', and 'Home'. Below the header is a search bar with the text 'Search for an Organization.' and input fields for 'Organization name', a dropdown menu set to '- Any -', a 'Keyword' field, and a 'Search' button. The main content area is divided into two sections. The left section, titled 'Upcoming Events', lists several storytime events with dates and locations. The right section features a large image of two children reading a book, with the text 'Getting Your Child to Love Reading' overlaid. Below this is another identical search bar. At the bottom, a 'Browse by Category' section shows four icons: 'Arts & Culture' (a colorful circular logo), 'Education' (a red book icon), 'Health & Wellness' (a green clipboard icon), and 'Housing' (a house icon).

My Family Needs About Us Categories Home

Search for an Organization. Organization name - Any - Keyword Search

Upcoming Events

- Storytime
09/22/2014 - 10:15
Federalsburg Branch
- Storytime
09/23/2014 - 11:00
North County Branch - Greensboro
- Storytime
09/29/2014 - 10:15
Federalsburg Branch
- Storytime
09/30/2014 - 11:00
North County Branch - Greensboro
- Storytime
10/06/2014 - 10:15

Getting Your Child to Love Reading

My Family Needs About Us Categories Home

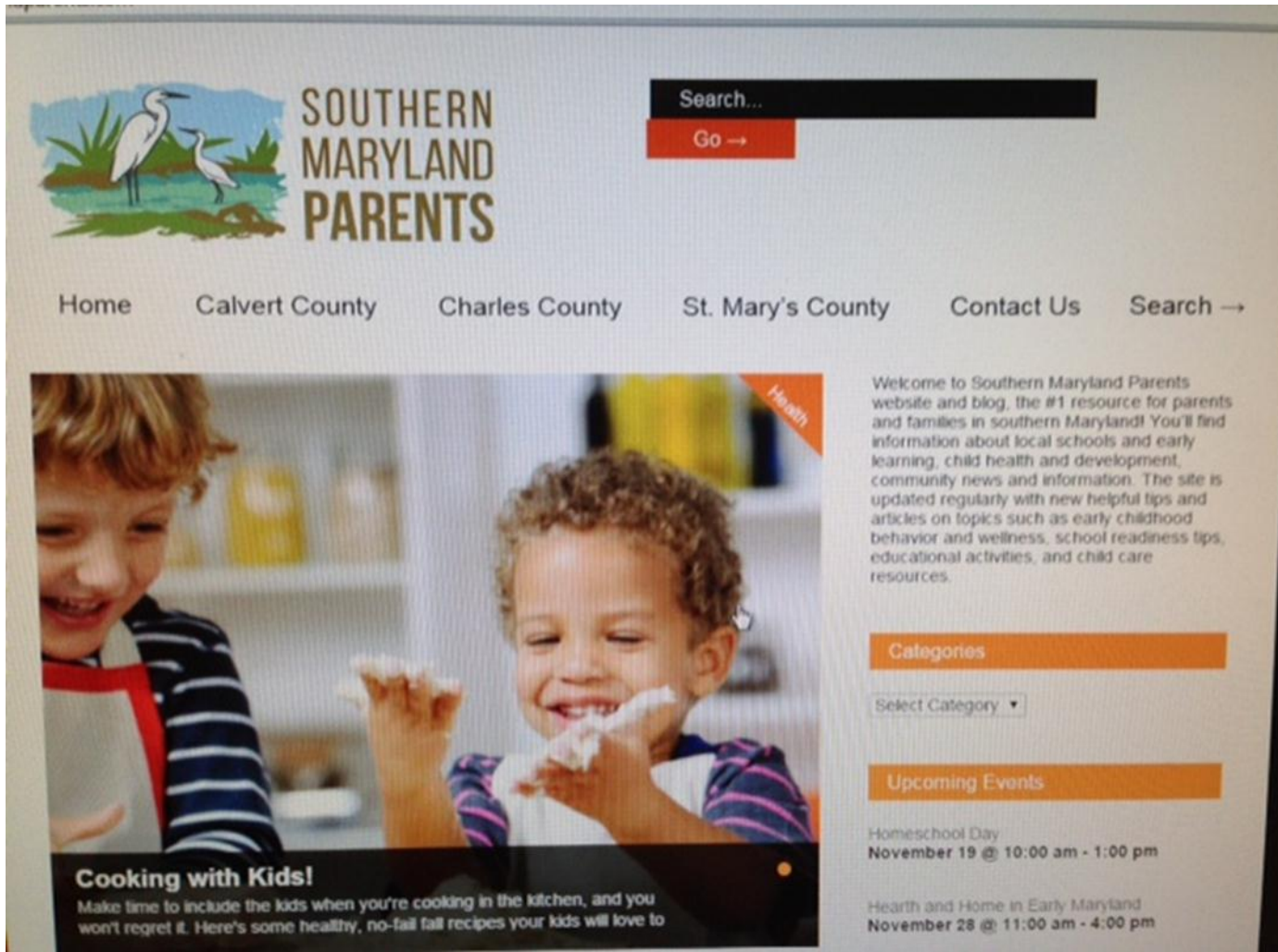
Search for an Organization. Organization name - Any - Keyword Search

Browse by Category

- Arts & Culture
- Education
- Health & Wellness
- Housing

Charles, Calvert & St. Mary's Co.

(Webpage-Southern MD Parents) <http://smdparents.com/>



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Southern Maryland Parents website. At the top left is a logo featuring two white birds on a grassy patch, with the text "SOUTHERN MARYLAND PARENTS" to its right. A search bar with a "Go" button is located at the top right. Below the logo, a navigation menu includes links for "Home", "Calvert County", "Charles County", "St. Mary's County", "Contact Us", and "Search". The main content area features a large photo of two young children smiling and playing with dough. To the right of the photo is a welcome message and a "Categories" section with a dropdown menu. Below that is an "Upcoming Events" section listing two events: "Homeschool Day" and "Hearth and Home in Early Maryland". At the bottom left, there is a "Cooking with Kids!" section with a brief description.

SOUTHERN MARYLAND PARENTS

Search...
Go →

Home Calvert County Charles County St. Mary's County Contact Us Search →

Cooking with Kids!
Make time to include the kids when you're cooking in the kitchen, and you won't regret it. Here's some healthy, no-fail fall recipes your kids will love to

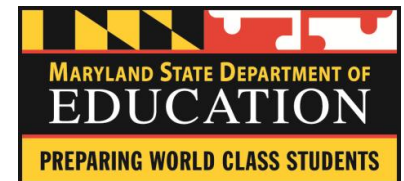
Welcome to Southern Maryland Parents website and blog, the #1 resource for parents and families in southern Maryland! You'll find information about local schools and early learning, child health and development, community news and information. The site is updated regularly with new helpful tips and articles on topics such as early childhood behavior and wellness, school readiness tips, educational activities, and child care resources.

Categories
Select Category ▼

Upcoming Events

Homeschool Day
November 19 @ 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Hearth and Home in Early Maryland
November 28 @ 11:00 am - 4:00 pm



Dorchester Co.-Facebook Page

(www.facebook.com/DorchesterEarlyChildhoodAdvisoryCouncil)



Howard Co. (Road to Kindergarten)



**HOWARD COUNTY
PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**

Road to Kindergarten

Do you have a child who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2015?

Please join us for an information session about Kindergarten
in the Howard County Public School System.

At this workshop you will learn:

- Expectations for school readiness (and receive a Ready for Kindergarten toolkit).
- Details about the kindergarten program.
- Information about HCPSS kindergarten registration.
- Ways that families and children can be supported during the transition to kindergarten.

Choose a session that is convenient for you. No registration required.

Child care is available at each session for children ages 2 and older. Please allow at least 15 minutes extra for child care sign-in.



If Howard County public schools are closed for inclement weather, the session is canceled.

All sessions will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Tues., January 20, 2015 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Wilde Lake High School 5460 Trumpeter Road, Columbia, 21044
Thurs., January 29, 2015 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Long Reach High School 6101 Old Dobbin Lane, Columbia, 21045
Wed., February 4, 2015 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Marriotts Ridge High School 12100 Woodford Drive, Marriottsville, 21104
Mon., February 9, 2015 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Hammond Middle School 8110 Aladdin Drive, Laurel, 20723
SNOW DATE - Will only be held if one of the above sessions is canceled	
Tues., February 17, 2015 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.	Howard High School 700 Old Annapolis Road, Ellicott City, 21043

For more information...



Visit www.hcpss.org/schools/kindergarten-registration/



www.facebook.com/HoCo.road.to.kindergarten



@HCPSS_ECP

Or call 410-313-5693

- School Readiness Specialists (Grant)
- Marketing Plans for LECAC
- Discovery Fair
- Home Visiting
- Resource Library



Kent Co. (Facebook Page)

<https://www.facebook.com/KentCountyEarlyChildhoodAdvisoryCouncil>

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ABOUT

- Building an early childhood system that will provide children, 0-5 years old and their families with opportunities to enter school ready to learn.

PHOTOS



Kent County Early Childhood Advisory Council shared a link.

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We found this list of Early Childhood teacher resources and thought it was worth a share...check it out! <http://www.earlychildhoodteacher.org/teacher-tools/>



Tools for Early Childhood Teachers

www.earlychildhoodteacher.org

We've pulled together a number of helpful resources for early childhood teachers - from lesson plans, community websites for teachers, and more!

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Kent County Early Childhood Advisory Council

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The Kent County Child Care Association is holding their first ever "Growing Great Kids" early childhood conference, in Chestertown! For \$25, you can

Somerset Co. (LECAC Partnership w/McDonalds...The Healthy/Educational Way)

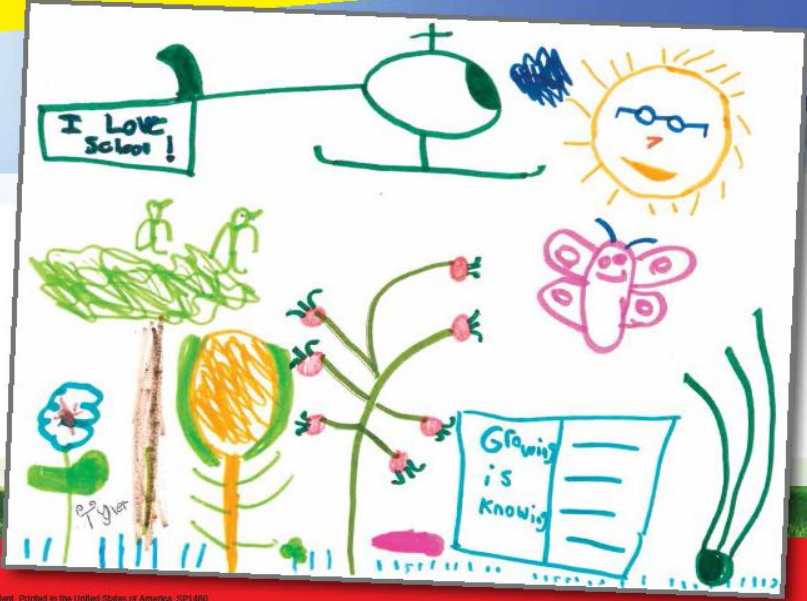
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Turn it and learn it!
Nutrition information on reverse

The Somerset Early Learning Advisory Council (SELAC) works to promote early childhood education and ensure the needs of young children and their families are met in Somerset County. In an effort to increase awareness of the importance of early learning, SELAC in partnership with McDonald's, sponsored a poster contest for children ages 3 to 7 on what school means to them.

The winner of the contest, first grader Tyler Evanusa, of Greenwood Elementary School.



Poster Contest Sponsored by
SELAC
Somerset Early Learning Advisory Council

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Wicomico Co. (Family Resource Fair)



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Evaluation and Outcomes

Grantees are required to submit annual evaluation reports and quarterly progress reports that are consistent with the project's goal and objective(s). The final evaluation will consider the entire project, beginning to end that includes planning, design, and implementation. An effective ongoing plan that evaluates milestones quarterly enables local councils you to make informed decisions about needed changes.

See Chart below for LECAC reporting due dates:

Document(s)	Due Date
Interim Report	September 30, 2014
Site Monitoring Visits	October – November 2014
TA Calls (upon request if needed)	February 2015
Final Progress Report (activities end)	June 30, 2015
Final Evaluation	October 30, 2015
Financial Report (Final Invoice)	October 30, 2015
Documentation of LECAC Meetings Held	Rolling basis throughout the entire grant FY14-15 period

Resources

Race to the Top Early Learning Challenge Grant (RTT-ELC)

http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child_care/challenge

Maryland EXCELS (QRIS)

<http://marylandexcels.org>

Maryland State and Local Early Childhood Advisory Councils (ECAC/LECAC)

http://marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child_care/planning.html

“The Early Childhood Family Engagement Framework: Maryland’s Vision for Engaging Families with Young Children”

http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child_care/docs/MdFamEngage_111213.pdf?i=238651&type=Movie

Social Emotional Foundations for Early Learning (SEFEL)

<https://theinstitute.umaryland.edu/SEFEL>

Reach Out and Read (ROAR)

<http://reachoutandread.org/>

Ready At Five

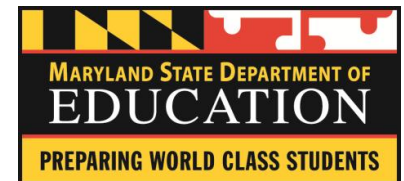
<http://www.readyatfive.org/>

Maryland Family Network

<http://marylandfamilynetwork.org/>

Raising A Reader

<http://www.raisingareader.org/site/PageNavigator/HomepageNew.html>



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