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Virtual public hearing scheduled for Board Policies 5550 and 5560 and school climate and student discipline

Towson, MD – The Board of Education of Baltimore County will hold a virtual public hearing to seek input concerning Board Policies <u>5550</u> and <u>5560</u> and school climate and student discipline.

The hearing will be held virtually on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. The Board will conduct the public hearing by allowing members of the public to call in by phone. Information regarding participation by the public and a link to the <u>registration form</u> may be found on the Board of Education's <u>Participation by the Public</u> website. Registration is open and will close at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9. Registered participants will receive a confirmation of their registration, along with the call-in number, passcode to join the meeting, and public comment guidelines and procedures the day of the hearing. Comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker. No speaker substitutions will be allowed. Written testimony may also be submitted on the <u>Public Comment on Policies</u> page. The school system is committed to accessible communication with its stakeholders. Accordingly, the scheduled Board of Education public hearing will be broadcast through a Microsoft Teams Live event.

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