

**MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
PERSONNEL APPROVALS FOR THE June 21-22, 2011 BOARD MEETING**

I. Appointments Grade 19 and above:

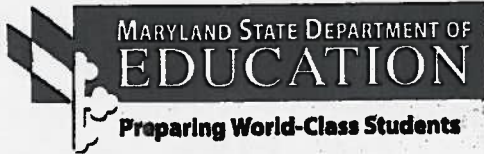
<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY GRADE</u>	<u>DIVISION/OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
von Behren, Valerie L.	Education Program Specialist I, Coordinator, State Advisory Council on Early Childhood Education and Care	21	Special Education/Early Intervention Services	TBD

II. Appointments Grade 18 and below:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY GRADE</u>	<u>DIVISION/OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
Auten, Karen	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist II	13	Rehabilitation Services, Region IV	06/01/2011
Fadeyi, Iyabode	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist II	13	Rehabilitation Services, Region III	06/01/2011
Gerace, Lucas G.	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist II	13	Rehabilitation Services, Region III	06/01/2011
Green, Jessica L.	Child Care Licensing Specialist Trainee	13	Early Childhood Development	05/18/2011
Ritz, Linda S.	Child Care Licensing Specialist Trainee	13	Early Childhood Development	05/18/2011

III. Other Actions:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY GRADE</u>	<u>DIVISION/OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
None				



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BOARD LIST

The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

Name: Valerie L. von Behren
Position: Education Program Specialist I, Coordinator, State Advisory Council on Early Childhood Education and Care
Division: Special Education/Early Intervention Services
Salary Grade: 21 (\$55,419 - \$88,976)
Effective Date: TBD

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

Education:

A Masters Degree or equivalent 36 credit hours of post-baccalaureate course work in Early Childhood Education, Special Education, Educational Administration or a related field.

Experience:

Four (4) years of professional administrative or teaching experience in or affiliated with early childhood education programs. Professional experience developing, interpreting, implementing and communicating education policies and procedures is desirable.

NOTE: Two additional years of experience as defined may substitute for the Master's Degree.

DESCRIPTION:

This is a professional position serving as the Coordinator responsible for the oversight and coordination of operations for the State Early Childhood Advisory Council on Early Education and Care (ECAC).

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Qualifications:

Education:

Lock Haven University (Lock Haven, Pennsylvania) 1987 – Bachelor's Degree in Communications

Wright State University (Fairborn, Ohio) – 18 credit hours in Counseling

Experience:

Maryland State Department of Education (Baltimore, Maryland)

2007 – Present: Education Program Specialist I, Early Childhood Special Education

2006 – 2007: Parent Liaison, Intensive Management and Improvement Capacity Team (IMCIT), Baltimore City Public Schools

2004 – 2006: Education Program Specialist I, Family Support Services Coordinator

Maryland Committee for Children Network. (Baltimore, Maryland)

1999 – 2004: Special Needs Coordinator/Counselor

Baltimore City Child Care Source Center

2001 –2002: Acting Behavior Guidance Program Coordinator

Athelas Institute, Incorporated (Columbia, Maryland)

1998 –1999: Program Manager of Alternative Opportunities Day Habilitation Program

Family Support Associates (Harrisburg, Pennsylvania)

1995 –1999: Childcare Specialist, Reynolds Lane Program

Department of Welfare, Childline Division (Harrisburg, Pennsylvania)

1994 –1995: Caseworker

United Health and Human Services (Harrisburg, Pennsylvania)

1993 –1995: Therapeutic Support Staff

Bedford County Children and Youth (Bedford, Pennsylvania)

1992 –1993: Child Abuse Investigator

Employment Status

Horizontal Transfer