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December 8, 2011

Mr. Steven J. Arentz, President Queen Anne's County Board of County Commissioners 2014 Liberty Building 107 North Liberty Street Centreville, MD 21617

NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT

Dear Mr. Arentz:

On November 30, 2011, the Superintendent of Queen Anne's County Public Schools, Dr. Carol A. Williamson, filed a Maintenance of Effort Certification Statement (Attached) with the Maryland State Department of Education. Based on the dollar amounts reflected on the certificate, I find that Queen Anne's County is not in compliance with its FY 2012 maintenance of effort requirement. Specifically, the maintenance of effort level amount for FY 2012 is \$48,028,032. Queen Anne's County failed to meet that target. Dr. Williamson has certified that the net local appropriation was \$43,528,032.

If the county disputes this finding of noncompliance, it may send to me within 30 days of the issuance of this notice a memorandum setting forth the basis for disputing this finding. I will refer the matter to the State Board of Education which will make the final determination.

If a final determination of non-compliance is made, I or the State Board will notify the Comptroller who is authorized by statute to suspend payment of "any funds due the county for the current fiscal year, as provided under §5-202,...,to the extent that the State's aid...exceeds the amount which the county received in the prior fiscal year." Md Educ. Code Ann. §5-213. The suspension would be applied in Fiscal Year 2013.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Bernard J. Sadusky, Ed. D.

Interim State Superintendent of Schools

Attachment

C: Dr. Carol A. Williamson

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Anthony South

Elizabeth M. Kameen

## CERTIFICATION STATEMENT STATE SHARE OF THE FOUNDATION PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012

Education Article Section 5-202 (b) through (d) requires that to be eligible to receive State Share of the Foundation Program the following must be met:

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## ADJUSTMENTS TO LOCAL APPROPRIATION Queen Anne's

	FY 2011	FY 2012
A. Operating Budget Appropriation Plus:	\$ 47,957,462	\$ 43,528,032
B. Supplemental Appropriations *		
C. Total Appropriation ( A+ B )	\$47,957,462	\$ 43,588,032
Less: D. Approved** Nonrecurring Costs		
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Total Supplemental & Nonrecurring Costs	\$	\$ -
E. Program Shifts Between County and Board Budgets *		
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3 Total Program Shifts	\$	- \$ -
F. Other Reconciling Items*		
G. Net Local Appropriation (C-D-E-F)	\$17,957,462	\$43.529 138
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