

The Program does not oversee educational programs for delinquent youth. These are administered by the Compensatory Education Branch of the Division of Compensatory Education and Support Services.

**EDUCATION COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR
CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS**

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The Education Coordinating Council for Correctional Institutions was formed in 1975 to devise educational programs for each institution of the Division of Correction (Chapter 539, Acts of 1975). The Council oversees and annually reviews the programs.

The Council has five members. Four serve *ex officio*. One is appointed to a four-year term by the Governor (Code Education Article, secs. 22-101 through 22-104). While under jurisdiction of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, the Council is within the State Department of Education for budgetary and administrative purposes.

**DIVISION OF COMPENSATORY
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The Division of Compensatory Education and Support Services was created in 1988. It administers and supervises federal and State programs to educate children who are deprived of social or economic advantages (P.L. 103-382; Code Education Article, secs. 8-101 through 8-107).

The Division is responsible for three branches: Compensatory Education; Family Involvement and Dropout Intervention; and Pupil Services.

COMPENSATORY EDUCATION BRANCH

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The Compensatory Education Branch began in 1988 as the Compensatory and Migrant Education Branch. Renamed in 1995, the Branch helps local school systems and other agencies design education programs for disadvantaged children. For students in high poverty areas, the Branch supplements instruction and devises ways to increase family literacy. Schools are aided by the Branch to hire extra teachers, buy additional equipment and materials, teach before and after school, and train staff. The Branch also coordinates migrant education and funds education for neglected and delinquent youth in juvenile detention centers and adult prisons.

**FAMILY INVOLVEMENT & DROPOUT
INTERVENTION BRANCH**

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The Family Involvement and Dropout Intervention Branch started as the Career and Employment Development Branch in 1989. It received its present name in 1995. The Branch helps local agencies and school systems find ways to involve parents in their children's education and discourage young people from leaving school. The Branch seeks to encourage school attendance and ease the transition from school to work. To these ends, the Branch administers the *Maryland's Tomorrow High School and Middle School Drop-out Prevention Programs* (including the *Choice Program*).

PUPIL SERVICES BRANCH

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The Pupil Services Branch was formed in 1966 and renamed Pupil Services and Drug-Free Schools Branch in 1992. It resumed its former name in 1995. The Branch assists local school systems with programs for child abuse and youth suicide prevention; disruptive students; drug and alcohol abuse prevention and intervention; health and safety; pupil personnel; school guidance and psychology; and teen pregnancy and parenting. To schools with disruptive and at-risk students, the Branch allocates federal and State funds. The Branch also works to educate homeless children and youth.

The *Rural School Nurses Program* is overseen by the Branch. Through this program, matching funds are provided to Maryland's seven poorest counties for hiring school nurses. In schools, nurses attend to the general health of students, health education, and drug abuse prevention.

Through the *New American Schools Initiative*, the Branch provides information and assistance on school reform to local school systems. The Branch helps schools implement one of six model reform designs covering curriculum, governance, structure, and family support.

**DIVISION OF INSTRUCTION
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The Division of Instruction and Staff Development was formed in 1945 as the Division of Instruction, although its earliest duties have been carried