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## Harford County Public Schools

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## HARFORD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SEEKS APPLICANT FOR SCHOOL SYSTEM ETHICS PANEL

The Board of Education of Harford County is seeking applications from interested county citizens to fill an opening on the school system's Ethics Panel. The purpose of the five-member Ethics Panel is to review any inquiries concerning potential violations of ethics on the part of school employees or board members. The panel also reviews a yearly financial disclosure form submitted by board members and specified school employees.

The board is seeking a person to fill the vacancy on the Ethics Panel created by the resignation of Dr. Edward R. Sieracki, which was effective January 14, 2010. The person selected to fill Dr. Sieracki's position will serve the balance of his term, which expires February 2011. Thereafter, the person so selected would be eligible for an additional two terms as described below.

Ethics Panel members serve for a term of five years appointed at staggered intervals. Members are appointed by the Board of Education and may serve two full terms. Membership is countywide, though consideration is given to providing demographic diversity on the panel. Ethics Panel members serve without compensation but are reimbursed for travel and other expenses related to their service.

Applicants should send a letter of interest accompanied by a biographical sketch to: Patrick P. Spicer, General Counsel, Board of Education of Harford County, 102 S. Hickory Avenue, Bel Air, Maryland 21014 by March 31, 2010.

For more information, please call 410-638-4005.