The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA): Challenges and Possibilities for Education in Maryland.

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Featured Panelists:

- Sonja Santelises, CEO, Baltimore City Public Schools
- Janet Wilson, Associate Superintendent, Montgomery County Public Schools; member Maryland ESSA Stakeholders’ Committee
- Nancy Shapiro, Associate Vice Chancellor for Education & Outreach, University System of Maryland; member Maryland ESSA Stakeholders’ Committee
- Campbell Scribner, Assistant Professor, UMD College of Education
- Jessica Cardichon, Director Federal Policy, Learning Policy Institute, DC

Moderated by:

- Gail Sunderman, Director, Maryland Equity Project; UMD College of Education
- Robert Croninger, Associate Professor, Maryland Equity Project; UMD College of Education

In 2015, President Barack Obama signed the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), legislation that reauthorized the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, and replaced the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. ESSA provides greater flexibility to states about how they will hold schools accountable for student learning and how they will improve low-performing schools. But how are states responding to these new opportunities and challenges? This panel will explore and discuss the implications of ESSA for education in Maryland. What changes to school accountability might occur? What new opportunities might be provided to promote equity and higher levels of achievement in Maryland? What challenges do the state, school districts and schools face in implementing the provisions of ESSA? Join us to explore these opportunities and challenges to education in the Maryland.

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