

MARYLAND CENTER for SCHOOL SAFETY

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The Honorable Larry Hogan
Governor
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Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable William C. Ferguson IV
President
Senate of Maryland
State House, H-107
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones
Speaker
House of Delegates
State House, H-101
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: Report required by Ed. Art. § 7-1508(h)(2) (MSAR # 11592)

Dear Governor Hogan, President Ferguson, and Speaker Jones:

Pursuant to the Maryland Safe to Learn Act of 2018 Ed. Art. § 7-1508(h)(2) (MSAR # 11592), the Maryland Center for School Safety (MCSS) respectfully submits this report summarizing Use of Force within local school systems for the 2021-2022 school year.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact me at, kate.hession1@maryland.gov or (410) 281-2335.

Sincerely,



Kate Bryan
Executive Director



2022 Use of Force Report

The Maryland Center for School Safety (MCSS) provides the Governor and General Assembly data collected from local jurisdictions related to the use of force (UoF) between any school resource officer (SRO) or school security employee (SSE) and a student while the school resource officer or school security employee is carrying out his/her duties. There were 142 school resource officer use of force incidents reported during the 2021-2022 school year. There were 41 school security employee use of force incidents reported during the 2021-2022 school year. Analysis of this and preceding reports indicate the need for additional guidance and direction to local jurisdictions in order to ensure consistent and reliable reporting across all counties.

County	Reported Use of Force Incidents	UoF Incidents by SRO	UoF Incidents by SSE	County	Reported Use of Force Incidents	UoF Incidents by SRO	UoF Incidents by SSE
Allegany	0	0	0	Harford	*	*	0
Anne Arundel	0	0	0	Howard	*	*	15
Baltimore	45	45	No SSEs	Kent	*	*	No SSEs
Baltimore City	18	18	No SSEs	Montgomery	*	0	*
Calvert	*	0	*	Prince George's	*	*	*
Caroline	0	0	No SSEs	Queen Anne's	*	*	No SSEs
Carroll	0	0	0	St. Mary's	34	16	18
Cecil	0	0	0	Somerset	0	0	0
Charles	36	36	No SSEs	Talbot	*	*	No SSEs
Dorchester	*	*	0	Washington	*	*	No SSEs
Frederick	*	*	No SSEs	Wicomico	*	*	No SSEs
Garrett	*	*	No SSEs	Worcester	0	0	0

Note: In instances in which the number of incidents was less than ten, the total number of incidents are removed and replaced with an asterisk to protect students' identities. "No SSEs" represents instances in which the jurisdiction did not employ school security employees for the 2021-2022 school year.