

State Superintendent Resigns; Smith Appointed Interim

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The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) has [announced the resignation](#) of Dr. Lillian Lowery, State Superintendent of Schools. MABE President Verjeana Jacobs stated, “We have enjoyed a collaborative and productive relationship with Dr. Lowery during her tenure. She has been a focused and resolute leader at a vital time of transition for Maryland Public Schools. We wish her much success in her new endeavor.”

Dr. Lowery will become the Chief Executive Director of *FutureReady Columbus*, an education non-profit corporation with an initial focus on early childhood education public policy, and community engagement.

MSDE also announced the appointment of Dr. Jack Smith as Interim Superintendent of Schools. MABE has a long-standing relationship with Dr. Smith both in his role as Superintendent of Calvert County Public Schools and as Deputy Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, and Chief Academic Officer with MSDE. We look forward to continuing a strong working relationship with Dr. Smith and MSDE as we move the essential work of Maryland public education forward.

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