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To Local Superintendents of Schools:

We are pleased to announce that the Third Annual Bullying and Harassment Prevention Conference will be held on Thursday, October 4, and Friday, October 5, 2012 in the Grand Ballroom of the Stamp Union Building, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland. Registration/check in begins at 8:30 AM., the conference begins at 9:00 AM., and concludes at 3:30 PM each day.

The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) has partnered with the Annual C3 Conference to plan this event. The conference will provide time for local teams to come together for action planning. Conference topics will focus on bullying and harassment and their increasing impact on students, parents, schools, and communities. Strategies and resources to address bullying and harassment will also be identified.

There is no cost for participants to attend and lunch will be provided. Each local school system may designate a maximum of 15 representatives to attend. Your representatives should include, but are not limited to: the local superintendent, principals and assistant principals, non-traditional student leader (s), parent(s), director of student services, health educator, and director of special education. Your teams are invited to attend both days. Please note that October 5 is designated as the MSDE Bullying & Harassment Conference Day.

To register, please visit

http://www.edtechpolicy.org/C32012/Registration/C3 2012 registration.html. The left button will allow you to register for October 4 (General C3 Conference) and the right button will allow you to register for October 5 (MSDE Bullying & Harassment Conference). Registration will close on Friday, September, 21, 2012. Metered parking is available in the parking lot across from the Stamp Union Building. If you need additional registration information, please contact Dr. Davina Pruitt-Mentle at (301) 503-8070 or dpruitt@umd.edu.

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Thank you for your support of this initiative. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Dr. Michael Ford, Safe and Supportive Schools Specialist, at (410) 767-0313 or email miford@msde.state.md.us or Dr. Richard Scott, School Counseling Specialist, at 410-767-0288 or email rscott@msde.state.md.us.

Sincerely,

Lillian M. Lowery, Ed.D

State Superintendent of Schools

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