

# Presentation to Maryland Government Finance Officers Association

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# 21<sup>St</sup> Century School Facilities Act

- Context and Requirements of the 21<sup>St</sup> Century School Facilities Act (HB 1783)
- Major Activities of the IAC for 2018–2019
- IAC FY 2019 Approved Budget
- IAC FY 2020 Requested Budget
- IAC Activities Moving Forward

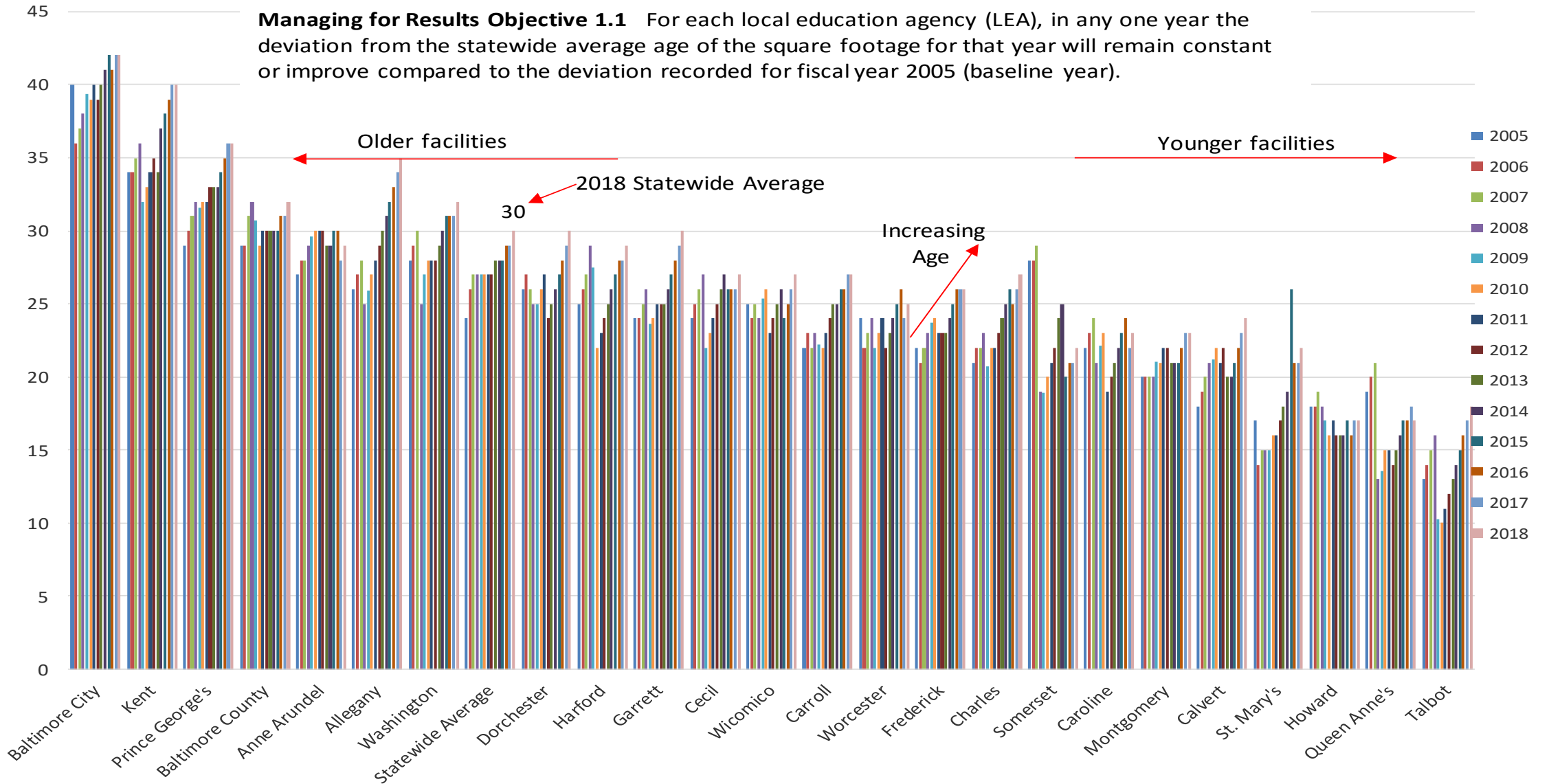


# Periodic Evaluations of School-Facilities Needs

- Hughes Commission, 1970–1971
- Governor’s Task Force on School Construction, 1985
- Hutchinson Task Force on School Construction Finance, 1987
- Governor’s Task Force on School Construction, 1992–1993
- Kopp Commission, 2002–2004
- 21st Century School Facilities (Knott) Commission, 2016–2017



# Average Age of LEA Facilities 2005 - 2018



The 2005 statewide average age baseline was 24 and is now 30. The relative age difference between LEAs has remained status quo, but overall the remaining expected life of facilities has almost uniformly declined within each LEA.

# 2018–2019

- Gather Information
- Consider Potential Solutions
- Begin Developing Process Improvements



# Gathering Needed Information

- Minimum Standards for Educational Sufficiency of Facilities
- Statewide Facilities Assessments



# Consider Potential Solutions

- Workgroup on Educational Development Specifications
- Workgroup on the Assessment and Funding of School Facilities



# Membership of the Workgroup on Educational Development Specifications

Two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate:

- Senator Bill Ferguson
- Senator Jim Rosapepe

Two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House

- Delegate Mark Chang
- Delegate Jefferson Ghrist

Robert Gorrell, Executive Director of the IAC, will chair the Workgroup





# Membership of the Workgroup on Educational Development Specifications, cont'd.

IAC Appointees (LEA Facility Planners, Designers, and Other SMEs):

- Daniele Haley, Supervisor Facilities and Planning, Somerset
- Lisa Seaman-Crawford, Director Facilities, Anne Arundel
- Cynthia Smith, Director Design and Construction, Baltimore City
- Bob Wilkinson, Director Maintenance and Operations, Frederick
- Brian Gibbons, Developer, IAC Member, Knott Commissioner
- Dick Lombardo, Builder, IAC Member
- Chris Parts, Architect, AIA Committee on Architecture for Education
- Kathleen Sherrill, Architect, Knott Commissioner



# Objectives of the Workgroup on Educational Development Specifications

Study	Make Recommendations Regarding
Square footage allocations used to calculate the maximum allowable SF, including considering overly restrictive requirements and determining if alternative methodologies could increase space efficiency.	Square footage allocations, including community space and in schools with a high proportion of free and reduced-price meals .
MSDE school design standards to ensure that they are not overly specific and are aligned with space allowances for each type of space.	MSDE school design standards and guidelines.
Use of regional cost/sf figures, to reflect different construction and labor markets in the state.	Use of regional cost/sf figures.
State Rated Capacity (SRC) Process.	Updates to the SRC process, including updates necessary to address special programs and adjacent schools.
Cost per student of school construction processes, including differences in cost per student by type and across jurisdictions.	Options for increasing the state share of eligible school construction costs for projects with lower than average cost per student for each type of school.

**The purpose of the workgroup is NOT to develop a standard Ed Spec, as it is critical for each LEA to maintain the flexibility to effectively serve their students.**

# Membership of the Workgroup on the Assessment and Funding of School Facilities

- State Superintendent of Schools – Chair
- 2 members of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate
- 2 members of the House, appointed by the Speaker of the House
- The State Treasurer (or designee)
- One representative of the Maryland Association of Counties (MACO)
- One representative of the Maryland Association of Boards of Education (MABE)
- One representative of the Public School Superintendents Association of Maryland (PSSAM)



# Objectives of the Workgroup on the Assessment and Funding of School Facilities

After the initial assessment, the workgroup shall:

- Consider how the relative condition of public school facilities within the educational facilities sufficiency standards and the facility condition index should be prioritized.
- Determine whether and how assessment results should be used in construction funding decisions.
- Consider whether the State should provide funding incentives for local jurisdictions that reduce the total cost of ownership of public school facilities.
- Report to the Governor and General Assembly on or before **December 1, 2019.**

# Begin Developing Process Improvements

- Collect and share technical expertise and best practices
- Online business process management system
- Streamline selected application, review, and approval processes

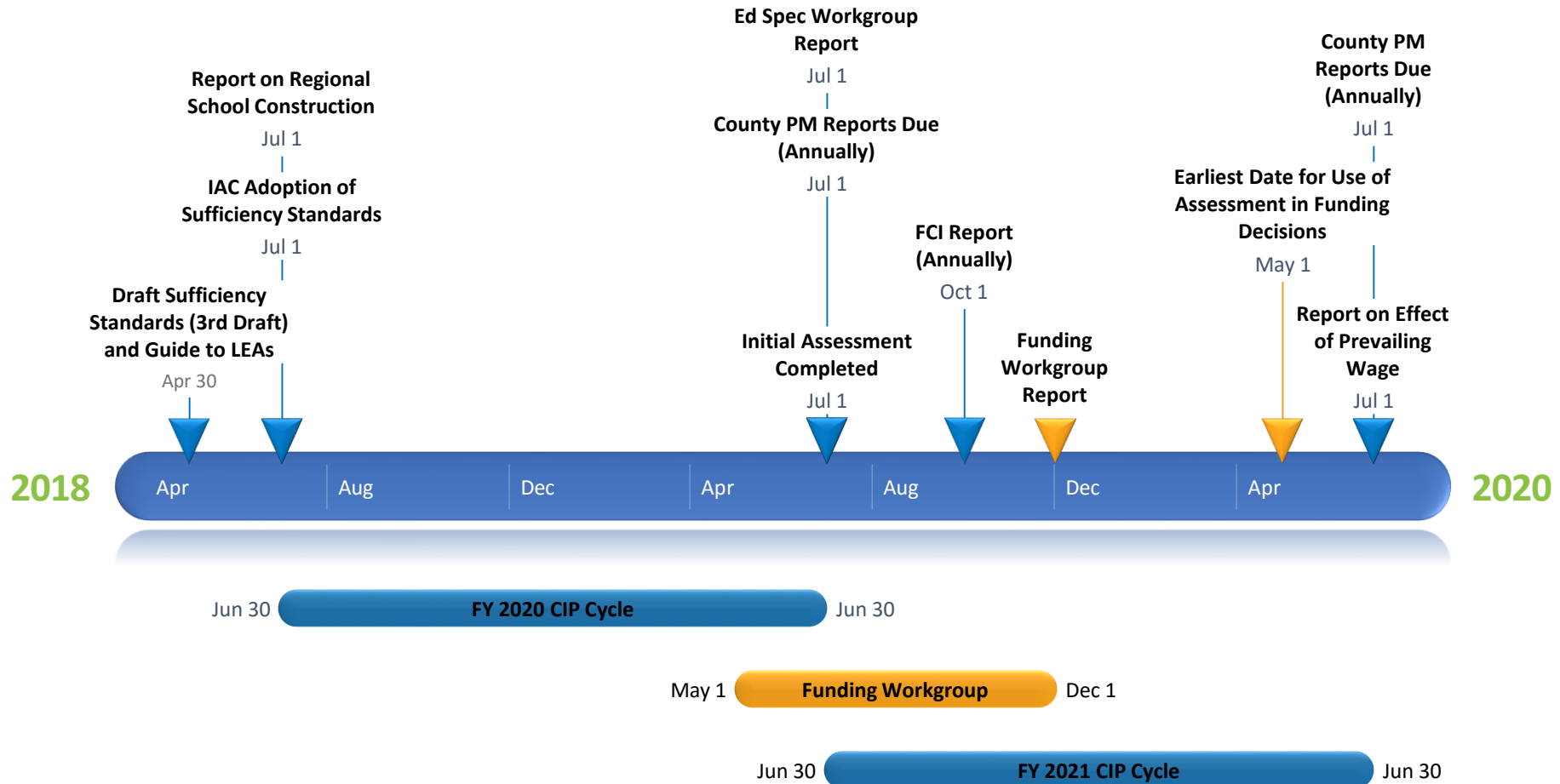


# New Funding Programs

- School Safety & Security Grant Program
- Local Share of School Construction Costs Revolving Loan Fund



# HB1783 – Timeline for Implementation



## Funding Workgroup

- Determine whether and how the results should be incorporated into funding decisions
- Consider funding incentives to reduce the total cost of ownership of school facilities

# FY 2019 Approved IAC Budget

Program	Final Allocation
Capital Improvement Program	\$313.900 M
Enrollment Growth and Relocatable Classrooms (EGRC)	\$68.200 M
Aging Schools Program	\$6.109 M
School Safety and Security PAYGO	\$10.000 M
Public School Safety Improvements – Bond Premiums	\$10.000 M
HVAC Improvements in Baltimore City Schools – Bond Premiums	\$15.000 M
Nonpublic Aging Schools Program	\$3.500 M
Safety in Nonpublic Aging Schools – Bond Premiums	\$3.500 M
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$430.209 M</b>





# FY 2020 IAC Preliminary Capital Budget Request

<b>Program</b>	<b>Final Allocation</b>
Capital Improvement Program	\$310.000 M
Enrollment Growth and Relocatable Classrooms (EGRC)	\$40.000 M
Aging Schools Program	\$6.109 M
Public School Safety Improvements	\$10.000 M
Healthy School Facility Fund	\$30.000 M
Revolving Loan Fund	\$20.000 M
Nonpublic Aging Schools Program	\$3.500 M
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$419.609 M</b>



# The IAC's Major Activities Going Forward

1. Distribute available state funds to LEAs for capital investments identified by the LEAs
2. Evaluate and approve the design of LEAs' new K-12 facilities
3. Evaluate LEAs' maintenance of their K-12 facilities
4. **Regularly assess the physical condition and educational sufficiency of LEAs' K-12 facilities**
5. **Measure and describe physical conditions and educational sufficiency using a facility condition index**



# General Information

- The IAC Website has a new address—[iac.maryland.gov](http://iac.maryland.gov)
  - The IAC is now live-streaming its meetings. Links are on the website.
  - You can subscribe with your e-mail address to sign up to receive news and agency updates.
- Facility Inventory database address: <https://ficip.iac.maryland.gov>
- Correspondence for IAC members can be sent to [iac.msde@maryland.gov](mailto:iac.msde@maryland.gov) or mailed to 200 W. Baltimore Street - 2nd Floor, Baltimore, MD 21201.



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