

**MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
PERSONNEL APPROVALS FOR THE JULY 21-22, 2009 BOARD MEETING**

I. Appointments Grade 19 and above:

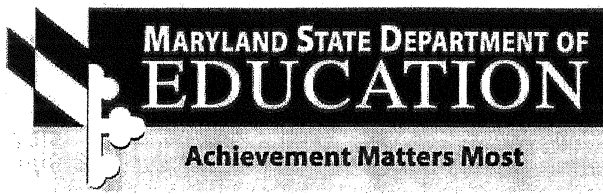
<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY GRADE</u>	<u>DIVISION/OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
Bluth, Linda F.	Education Program Specialist II, Special Education Program Administration and Monitoring	22	Special Education/Early Intervention Services	TBD
Johnson, John M.	Computer Network Specialist Supervisor	19	Rehabilitation Services, Disability Determination Services	TBD
Riley, Donna R.	Education Program Manager I, Special Education Program Quality Assurance	23	Special Education/Early Intervention Services	TBD

II. Appointments Grade 18 and below:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY GRADE</u>	<u>DIVISION/OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
Leonard, Shawna R.	Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist II	13	Rehabilitation Services, Region II	07/15/2009

III. Other Actions:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SALARY GRADE</u>	<u>DIVISION/OFFICE</u>	<u>DATE OF APPOINTMENT</u>
None				



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BOARD LIST

The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

Name: Linda F. Bluth
Position: Education Program Specialist II
Division: Special Education/Early Intervention Services
Salary Grade: 23 (\$64,349- \$103,328)
Effective Date: TBD

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

A Master's Degree or equivalent 36 post baccalaureate credit hours of course work in Special Education, Early Childhood Education, Educational Administration/Supervision or a related field.

EXPERIENCE:

Five (5) years of professional education administrative/supervision experience in special education programs, including two years of experience in coordinating or administering programs responsible for the transportation of students with disabilities or special needs. Experience in program evaluation or improvement monitoring is preferred.

DESCRIPTION:

This is a professional position serving as the lead technical specialist responsible for providing assistance to Maryland Charter Schools regarding matters pertaining to special education, providing technical assistance and guidance for transporting students with disabilities, and providing technical support for statewide monitoring of improvement activities in compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Code of Maryland requirement governing special education.

Qualifications:

Education:

University of Illinois (Champaign, Illinois) 1972 – Doctorate in Special Education

Kansas State Teachers College (Emporia, Kansas) 1966 – Master’s Degree in Psychology

College of Emporia (Emporia, Kansas) 1965 – Bachelor’s Degree in Elementary Education

Experience:

Maryland State Department of Education (Baltimore, Maryland)

2009 - Present: Education Program Specialist II (Contractual)

Baltimore City Schools (Baltimore, Maryland)

1997 - 2009: Chief, Office of Special Education Administration and Quality Assurance (On loan to MSDE)

1995 – 1997: Assistant Superintendent, Compliance Office of Special Education Monitoring and Compliance

1980 – 1991: Coordinator, Office of Procedural Safeguards and Appeals and Nonpublic Placements

Governor’s Office for Children, Youth and Families (Baltimore, Maryland)

1991 - 1995: Program Director, Monitoring and Evaluation

Loyola College (Baltimore, Maryland)

1988 - 1995: Adjunct Professor (Part-time)

1977 – 1980: Assistant Professor – Department of Education

University of Maryland – Department of Special Education (College Park, Maryland)

1983 – 1985: Adjunct Faculty (Part-time)

1975 - 1977: Assistant Professor – Department of Special Education

Coppin State College – Department of Education (Baltimore, Maryland)

1977: Adjunct Associate Professor (Part-time)

The Johns Hopkins University – The Evening College (Baltimore, Maryland)

1976: Adjunct Instructor (Part-time)

University of Alabama – Department of Special Education (Tuscaloosa, Alabama)

1972- 1975: Assistant Professor

Alabama State University – Department of Special Education (Birmingham, Alabama)

1972- 1973: Adjunct Assistant Professor (Part-time)

Ball State University – Department of Special Education (Muncie, Illinois)

1972- 1973: Adjunct Assistant Professor (Part-time)

University of Illinois – Department of Special Education (Champaign, Illinois)

1970- 1972: Supervisor of Student Teachers

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Parkland Junior College – Department of Psychology (Champaign, Illinois)

1970- 1971: Instructor (Part-time)

Lindenhurst Public Schools (Lindenhurst, New York)

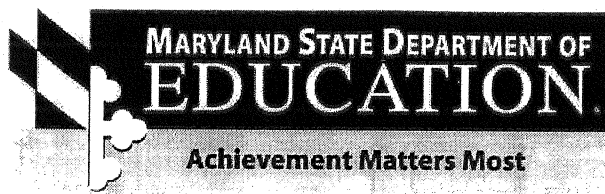
1966- 1969: Teacher of the Educable Mentally Handicapped and Tutor of
Homebound Handicapped Children

Akron Public School System (Akron, Ohio)

1965: Teacher of the Slow Learner/Emotionally Disturbed Children

Employment Status

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The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

Name: John M. Johnson
Position: Computer Network Specialist Supervisor
Division: Rehabilitation Services
Salary Grade: 19 (\$49,638 - \$79,693)
Effective Date: TBD

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

Education:

Bachelor's Degree in Computer Information Technology, Management Information Systems, or other information technology-related field inclusive of coursework in local or wide area network administration from an accredited college or university.

Experience:

Three years of experience planning, integrating and maintaining software and hardware for local or wide area microcomputer or minicomputer networks.

NOTES:

1. Thirty credit hours in Computer Information Technology, Management Information Systems, or other information technology-related field to include course work in local or wide area microcomputer or minicomputer networks from an accredited college or university may be substituted for the required education.
2. An additional 1.5 years of experience planning, integrating and maintaining software and hardware for local or wide area microcomputer or minicomputer networks may be substituted for the required education.
3. Completion of a certification program in Network Engineering or Internetwork Routing, such as Certified Novell Engineer (CNE), Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (CSE) or Cisco Certified Internetwork Expert (CCIE) or equivalent certification program may be substituted for the required education.
4. Experience operating multipurpose, multi-tasking computer systems; or scheduling, controlling input and output or maintaining a tape library or process data on multipurpose, multi-tasking computer systems; or evaluating, implementing and maintaining microcomputer hardware and software; or converting data from project specifications by preparing program code using third generation or other generally accepted programming languages may be substituted for high school on a year-for-year basis.

DESCRIPTION:

This position is responsible for providing supervision and oversight of Disability Determination Services (DDS) information systems support services inclusive of planning, upgrading and maintaining a local area network, managing software security, providing expertise in planning and purchasing of microcomputer hardware, software and peripherals and integrating the DDS local area network with the federal SSA and State MSDE wide-area networks.

Qualifications:

Education:

Catonsville Community College (Baltimore, Maryland) 1988 – Associates Degree in Information Systems

Morgan State University (Baltimore, Maryland) 1993 – Completed 24 credit hours in Computer Information Systems

Experience:

Maryland State Department of Education – Disability Determination Services (Baltimore, Maryland)

2007 – Present: Computer Network Specialist II

Maryland State Department of Budget and Management (Baltimore, Maryland)

2000 – 2007: Computer Network Specialist II

Sinai Hospital (Baltimore, Maryland)

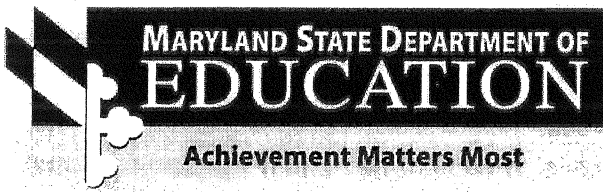
1998 – 2000: Computer Operator (Information Systems Department)

State of Maryland Comptroller's Office (Annapolis, Maryland)

1988 – 1998: Data Processing Technician

Employment Status

Promotion



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The following professional appointment is submitted for approval by the State Board of Education:

Name: Donna R. Riley
Position: Education Program Manager I, Special Education Program Quality Assurance
Division: Special Education/Early Intervention Services
Salary Grade: 23 (\$64,349- \$103,328)
Effective Date: TBD

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

Masters Degree or equivalent 36 credit hours of post-baccalaureate course work in Special Education, Educational Administration/Supervision, or a related field.

EXPERIENCE:

Six (6) years of related experience in coordinating or administering education programs or services. Minimum of one (1) year of supervision of professional education program staff is required.

NOTES:

1. Two (2) additional years of experience, directly related to the position option may be substituted for the required Master's Degree.
2. Possession of a Doctorate in a field related to the position option may be substituted for one year of the required experience.

DESCRIPTION:

This is a professional position serving as the Chief of Special Education Administration and Quality Assurance responsible for providing leadership and supervision to staff for administering federal and State initiatives designed to meet federal and State mandates for students with disabilities in Maryland.

Qualifications:

Education:

McDaniel College (Westminster, Maryland) 1977 – Master’s Degree in Deaf Education; 1982 – Certificate of Advanced Studies in Education (Educational Supervision and Administration)

University of Maryland (College Park, Maryland) 1976 – Bachelor of Arts with a major in Speech Therapy

Experience:

Maryland State Department of Education (Baltimore, Maryland)

2000 – Present: Education Program Specialist II

1995 – 2000: Educational Coordinator I

1990 – 1995: Staff Specialist III

Marshall Independent School District (Marshall, Texas)

1987 – 1990: Director of Special Education

Longview Independent School District (Longview, Texas)

1983 – 1987: Coordinator, Longview Regional Day School for the Deaf

New Mexico School for the Deaf (Santa Fee, New Mexico)

1979 – 1981: Speech Teacher

Utah School for the Deaf and Blind (Ogden, Utah)

1978 – 1979: Total Communication Teacher in the Salt Lake City (Murray) Day School Program

1977 – 1978: Preschool Deaf Education Teacher

Employment Status

Promotion