

EXHIBIT MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Drug Abuse (State Law)

- (a) Inadmissibility of statement of student. -- If a student seeks information to overcome any form of drug abuse, as defined in §9-101 of the Health-General Article from a teacher, counselor, principal, or other professional educator employed by an educational institution that has received a certificate of approval under §2-206 of this article, a statement, whether oral or written, made by the student or an observation or conclusion derived from the statement is not admissible against the student in any proceeding.
- (b) Rules and regulations may not require disclosure. -- A rule, regulation, or order may not require disclosure of any report, statement, observation, conclusion, or other information that has been assembled or obtained by an educator through this contact.

The Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, Education, Section 7-410

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- (e) Drug abuse. -- (1) ``Drug Abuse" means:
 - (i) Misuse or unlawful use of a drug;
 - (ii) Drug dependence; or
 - (iii) Drug Addition.
- (2) ``Drug abuse" does not include taking a drug according to a lawful prescription that is issued, in the course of professional treatment, for a legitimate purpose.

The Annotated Code of Maryland, Health General, Article 9-101, Section (e).