

House Bill 881 and Senate Bill 909

Anne Arundel County – Public Schools – Innovative Scheduling Pilot Program

An initiative by Anne Arundel County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Mark Bedell and the Board of Education of Anne Arundel County. For more information, read *Straight from the Supt.* at <https://www.aacps.org/suptbedell>.

This bill:

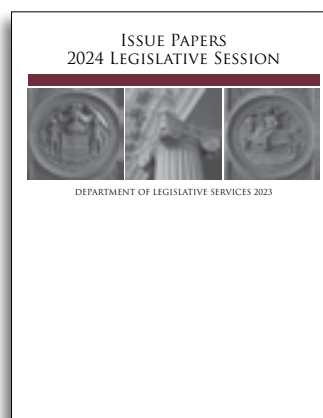
- ✓ **Removes the arbitrary requirement** to have public schools open for students 180 days AND a minimum number of seat hours each year.
- ✓ **Allows Anne Arundel County Public Schools to implement innovative school scheduling models** on a pilot basis that are proven to **better meet the needs of students, staff, and families.**
- ✓ **Supports the goals** of the Blueprint.
- ✓ **Reduces the number of early dismissal days** for students, a source of frustration for parents.

This bill **will not**:

- ✗ **Reduce instructional time** for students.
- ✗ **Require that Anne Arundel County Public Schools implement** a particular innovative school scheduling model, including a 4-day school week model.

Supported by:

- County Executive Stuart Pittman*
- The Anne Arundel County State House Delegation*
- The Anne Arundel County State Senate Delegation*
- Chesapeake Regional Association of Student Councils*
- Anne Arundel County Council of PTAs*



“Over time, innovative approaches, such as flexible school scheduling... may positively impact student outcomes.”

“Innovative scheduling models and reimagining the use of school time align with the objectives of the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future.”