

State Of Maryland

2026 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Ivymount		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Feldman	Foley	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Montgomery County	\$380,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, expansion, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Ivymount facilities		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Lee-Nadine Oppenheim		301-979-2351
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>Ivymount School, established in 1961, is a non-public special education program in Rockville approved under COMAR 13A.09.10. The school serves more than 200 neurodivergent children and young adults, with students receiving public tuition support under Education Articles 8-406 and 8-415. Ivymount has long focused on students with limited educational and therapeutic options, providing integrated facilities, therapeutic services, differentiated instruction, and specialized tools that support meaningful progress. The Maddux School serves young children with mild to moderate learning and social development challenges, and Ivymounts Outreach programs extend services and expertise to families, educators, and the broader community.</p>		

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

Ivymount operates in an aging former MCPS school building, with many core systems dating back to the 2000 renovation. As a nonpublic special education program, Ivymount requires facilities that are safe, compliant, and supportive of highquality instruction, clinical services, and daily student care. This project phase addresses the most critical facility and infrastructure needs to maintain a safe, secure, and functional environment. Key upgrades include: Modernized internal and external access control systems to strengthen campus security and ensure appropriate access. Improvements to plumbing, electrical, and energyefficiency systems to prevent failures, reduce maintenance, and meet current standards. Enhanced cyber and physical security measures to safeguard data and support safety expectations. These investments ensure Ivymount can continue delivering highquality programs in a facility that meets the needs of its students, staff, and community.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	
Design	
Construction	
Equipment	\$760,000
Total	\$760,000

13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Bond Initiative	\$380,000
Matching	\$380,000
Total	\$760,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
04/30/2026	6/30/2026	06/15/2026	06/30/2027
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised		16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
		1,000 (600 daily)	1,000 (600 daily)
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
FY26	\$330,000	Ivymount Upgrade and Replacement Project	
FY25	\$200,000	Ivymount Cyber Security Project (on-going)	
FY24	\$250,000	Air Handler replace in APR - Phase 2 HVAC project	
FY23	\$350,000	Security Enhancements, Cyber Security, Door hardeni	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
The Ivymount School, Inc.			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located		15 - Montgomery County	
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Cathy Borten	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301-869-6288		No
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
285	285	23200000.00	23800000.00
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?			Lease
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			Yes
D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:			
Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
Montgomery Child Care Association - Beverly	concurrent	0	2,600
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
Montgomery County Department of General	35 years - 1998	In negotiations to amend	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	75,000		
Space to be Renovated GSF	75,000		
New GSF	0		

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion

2000

28. Comments

Ivymount operates within an aging former Montgomery County school building, with many core systems now more than two decades old and dating back to the 2000 renovation and expansion. As a nonpublic special education program serving neurodivergent children and young adults with complex learning, social, and therapeutic needs, Ivymount requires facilities that are not only safe and compliant but also supportive of highquality instruction, clinical services, and daily student care. The current condition of these systems presents increasing operational challenges, limits efficiency, and elevates longterm risk.

This project phase addresses the most critical facility and infrastructure needs to ensure a safe, secure, and functional environment for students, staff, and families. The planned upgrades will bring longstanding systems up to current standards and extend the useful life of the building.

Scope of Improvements

This phase of the project includes targeted upgrades essential for maintaining health, safety, and operational reliability:

- *Modernized internal and external access control systems to strengthen campus security, streamline building entry procedures, and ensure appropriate access across all program areas.
- *Infrastructure improvements in key systems, including plumbing, electrical, and energyefficiency components, to prevent system failures, reduce maintenance burdens, and align with contemporary building and environmental standards.
- *Enhanced cyber and physical security measures to protect sensitive data, safeguard students and staff, and ensure compliance with evolving safety and technology expectations.

These upgrades are vital to sustaining a secure, healthy, and accessible learning environment for students with significant and diverse needs. The improvements will:

- *Reduce operational and safety risks associated with aging building systems
- *Improve reliability of daily school operations
- *Strengthen the security and resilience of the campus
- *Support longterm sustainability through more efficient, modernized systems

Investing in this phase of the project ensures that Ivymount can continue delivering highquality educational and therapeutic programs while maintaining a facility that meets the needs of its students, staff, and community.