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### PGCPS AND PGCEA SIGN NEGOTIATED CONTRACT AGREEMENT

Through PGCEA's Bargaining for Common Good platform, the union was able to fight for pay increases for educators; sensible workloads for special educators; accountability regarding the amount of time taken for mandated testing of students; safety and security against bullying; smaller class sizes; overhaul of educator evaluations; training, support and resources for restorative practices; and additional days for educators to work autonomously to prepare for their students.

PGCEA President Theresa Mitchell Dudley released the following statement: "We are excited that the hard work and organizing of our members has gotten us to a contract that they overwhelmingly support. This contract benefits students, educators, and communities. It is a step towards ensuring that Prince George's County is able to provide world-class schools for all of our students."

The 2019-2022 Negotiated Agreement takes effect July 1, 2019.

View our **Bargaining Recap** video for a complete outline of what we won!





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## NEXT TUITION REIMBURSEMENT PERIOD

The next application period for tuition reimbursement is **July 15-July 19** for courses with end dates **between March 1-June 30**. Stay tuned for announcements from the Certification Office.

Tuition reimbursements requests will be accepted online.





# PROJECT SPECIAL EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT (SEED)

The Bowie State University College of Education Grants Office is recruiting students for Project SEED, a program that will support at least 33 educators to work with children from birth to eight years old with developmental delays and other disabilities. Students accepted into the program will graduate with a Master of Education in Special Education (M.Ed.). Cohort 2 will begin Fall Semester 2019.

Project ECEC will prepare teachers to work with young children birth to 8 with developmental delays and other disabilities. The goal for this project is to recruit, educate, and retain Special Educators that are highly qualified to work and serve young, culturally and linguistically diverse (CLD) students with disabilities. Project ECEC will prepare and graduate two cohorts of diverse teachers (45 total) by providing a Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE).

- Project Special Education and Early Development (SEED)
- Project SEED Application (Special Education and Early Development)
- Project ECEC (Early Childhood Engagement Center) Cohort 2
- · Project ECEC Early Childhood Scholarship

Funding is available for the SEED and ECEC Programs. Applicants applying for the SEED Program must be a "CERTIFIED TEACHER."



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### **COLLECTION DATES:**

START: MAY 14, 2019 Every Monday- Thursday in June, July, August

#### DROP-OFF LOCATION:

PGCEA CENTER 8008 Marlboro Pike Forestville, MD 20747

- Did you receive a promotion and no longer need your classroom materials?
- Are you retiring?
- Do you have classroom materials you no longer want?
- Are you changing careers and no longer need your classroom materials?

If you answered "yes" bring us your gently used materials during the summer

If you have any questions contact
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THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR DONATION!