

The school offers an academic education similar to that of public schools and in addition provides thorough instruction in speech reading, speech, auditory training, and use of individual hearing aids. It offers vocational training to boys in industrial arts, printing and wood-working, and gives training in business education and homemaking courses to girls. Extra-curricular activities in athletics, scouts, social activities, and clubs are planned for all students. Vocational rehabilitation services are available to all graduates who seek jobs, special vocational training, or higher education. The enrollment for 1966-67 was 300.

Appropriations	1967	1968
General Funds .....	\$714,444	\$757,614
Staff: 105, of which 41 are academic and vocational teachers.		

**MARYLAND WORKSHOP FOR THE BLIND**

Chairman: John H. Mudd, 1969  
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The Maryland Workshop for the Blind is a State-aided institution established by the General Assembly by Chapter 566, Acts of 1908. Control is vested in a board of five trustees; three are appointed by the Governor, with Senate approval, and two are elected by the Board of Directors of the Maryland School for the Blind. The purpose of the Workshop is to conduct a sheltered workshop program for the training, work rehabilitation, continuous employment as well as to furnish other services to the adult blind of Baltimore City and the twenty-three counties.

The Workshop operates through divisions. The Training and Work Center, the Vending Stand Division and the Home Service Division are located in Baltimore City. The Training and Work Center is in Cumberland, where the Western Maryland Branch was authorized by Chapter 100, Acts of 1955 and was established to serve the blind adults of the three western counties.

The Vending Stand Division manages the operations of vending stands on Federal, State, and local government properties and on private properties. The Federal Stand Program was officially established in 1936 and the Maryland Workshop for the Blind was made the licensing agency and served as such until August 31, 1958. By Public Law 565, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of the State Department of Education was designated as the licensing agency for the vending stands located on Federal properties. The provisions of this law became effective under an agreement dated September 1, 1958, between the Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland Workshop for the Blind under which the latter agency has continued to serve in a management capacity. The Home Service Division provides teaching for the blind in their homes and aids them in their personal adjustment to blindness. In addition, the Workshop is the distributing agency of the Library of Congress for the U. S. Government owned talking book machines. It also provides white canes without charge to blind persons (Code 1957, 1967 Repl. Vol., Art. 30, secs. 4-10).

Appropriations	1967	1968
General Funds .....	\$284,281	\$370,964
Staff: 60.		