

**Chapter 7. Schools.**

An. Code, sec. 42. 1904, sec. 41. 1888, sec. 37. 1872, ch. 377. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 42.

**71.** The schools under the jurisdiction of the county board of education shall be numbered, No. 1, 2, 3 and so forth, of their respective election districts.

An. Code, sec. 43. 1904, sec. 42. 1888, sec. 38. 1872, ch. 377. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 43.

**72.** Elementary schools shall be kept open for not less than one hundred and eighty (180) actual school days and for ten months in each year, if possible, and shall be free to all white youths, between six and twenty years of age.

This section held not to impose a mandatory and imperative duty upon county school commissioners, under circumstances, to keep a school open; something is left to their judgment. The state board has power to advise school board with respect to a consolidation and to correct any erroneous action it may take; courts will not interfere. *School Commissioners v. Morris*, 123 Md. 402, 404.

An. Code, sec. 44. 1904, sec. 43. 1888, sec. 39. 1872, ch. 377. 1888, ch. 382. 1898, ch. 221. 1904, ch. 584. 1910, ch. 757 (p. 218). 1916, ch. 506, sec. 44.

**73.** In every elementary school there shall be taught good behavior, reading, spelling, penmanship, arithmetic, oral and written English, geography, history of the United States and of Maryland, community civics, hygiene and sanitation, and such other branches as the State Board of Education may from time to time prescribe.

An. Code, sec. 45. 1904, sec. 44. 1888, sec. 40. 1886, ch. 495. 1904, ch. 584.

**74.** The nature of alcoholic drinks and narcotics, with special instruction as to their effects upon the human system, in connection with the several divisions of the subject of physiology and hygiene, shall be included in the branches of study taught in the common schools, and shall be taught to and studied by all pupils whose capacity will admit of it, in all departments of the public schools of the State, and in all educational institutions supported wholly or in part by money from the State; and said study shall be taught and studied by pupils in said schools as thoroughly and in the same manner as other like branches are there taught and studied, with text-books in hands of pupils, where other like branches are thus studied.

An. Code, sec. 46. 1904, sec. 45. 1888, sec. 41. 1886, ch. 495.

**75.** It shall be the duty of boards of county school commissioners, and of the board of commissioners of public schools of Baltimore city, county examiners, superintendents of public schools of Baltimore city, and boards of all educational institutions receiving aid from the State to enforce the provisions of the preceding section.

An. Code, sec. 47. 1904, sec. 46. 1888, sec. 42. 1872, ch. 377. 1892, ch. 538. 1904, ch. 584. 1916, ch. 506, sec. 47.

**76.** Whenever a school numbers more than forty children in average attendance, an assistant may be employed by the county board of education, in their discretion; and for every additional forty children, one teacher may be appointed.