

An. Code, 1924, sec. 69. 1912, sec. 34D. 1918, ch. 203, sec. 2.

72. The said public school houses are to be used for said purposes only on the condition and after written application is made to the county school superintendent having jurisdiction, and that said application is signed by at least three of the reputable and responsible citizens and tax-payers of the county in which said school house is located.

Said school houses are to be used for said purposes only at such times as there are no regular or special school sessions in progress.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 70. 1912, sec. 35. 1904, sec. 34. 1888, sec. 30. 1872, ch. 377.
1916, ch. 506, sec. 35.

73. No new school house district shall be formed containing less than fifty children between the ages of 6 and 14 years; nor shall any new school house district be formed if any one of the old districts affected has, after the formation of the new school house district, less than fifty children between the ages of 6 and 14 years, except in such unusual instances as may be approved by the state superintendent of schools.

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An. Code, 1924, sec. 71. 1912, sec. 42. 1904, sec. 41. 1888, sec. 37. 1872, ch. 377.
1916, ch. 506, sec. 42.

74. 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, 1924, sec. 72. 1912, sec. 43. 1904, sec. 42. 1888, sec. 38. 1872, ch. 377.
1916, ch. 506, sec. 43.

75. 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, 1924, sec. 73. 1912, 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.

76. 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, 1924, sec. 74. 1912, sec. 45. 1904, sec. 44. 1888, sec. 40. 1886, ch. 495.
1904, ch. 584.

77. 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 depart-