1995 LAWS OF MARYLAND

- (2) THE ST. MARY'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND
- [(2)](3) Subcommittees and other subordinate units of the agencies above. 4-203.
- (a) All meetings of a public agency at which official action is taken regarding public business are open to the public, except as provided in § 4-210.
- (b) Staff meetings of a public agency are open to the public. 4-210.
- (a) Meetings of public agencies and meetings of the staff of public agencies may be conducted in executive session in the following situations only:
- (1) When a public agency or members of the staff consider or discuss the assignment, promotion, resignation, salary, demotion, dismissal, reprimand, or appointment of a member of a public agency or employee, the session may be closed, unless the person requests in writing for an open session. The request is a matter of public record;
- (2) When a school board or its staff considers the disciplining of individual students [and] UNLESS the parent, guardian or student requests an [executive] OPEN session OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION;
- (3) When a school board or its staff discusses [individual special education students and the parent or guardian of the student or the student requests an executive session] SPECIFIC STUDENTS, FAMILIES, OR PERSONNEL, AND THE DISCLOSURE OF THE DISCUSSIONS COULD PROVE DETRIMENTAL OR HARMFUL TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS OR THE OPERATION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS;
 - (4) When federal regulations prohibit an open meeting;
 - (5) When State law specifically prohibits an open meeting;
- (6) When an open meeting would conflict with a condition for anonymity of the donor contained in a gift or bequest to a public agency;
- (7) When secrecy is necessary to prevent the premature disclosure of THE FORMAT, CONTENT, OR RESULTS OF examinations; FORMAT OR CONTENT OF EXAMINATIONS OR THE DISCLOSURE OF RESULTS OF EXAMINATIONS AS THEY RELATE TO INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS;
- (8) When a public agency discusses strategy in collective bargaining or litigation, or engages in collective bargaining;
- (9) When public agencies discuss the distribution of police forces to cope with public safety emergencies;
- (10) Cost estimates for capital projects to be subsequently placed through the bidding process; and