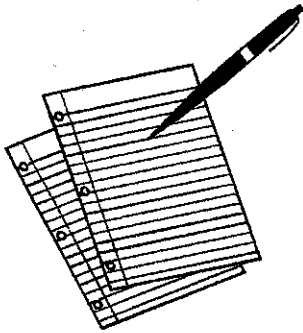


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January 20, 2001

To Friends of Charter Schools in Maryland:

Thursday, February 1 is our opportunity to rally for public school choice and charter schools in our state. Maryland children and families deserve the public charter school choice that is already available in 36 states, District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

The February 1 rally is sponsored by the Maryland Charter School Network (MCSN). MCSN is a nonpartisan, nonprofit, statewide organization whose mission is to promote and serve the Maryland charter school movement. Charter schools are new **public** schools, publicly funded, open to all students, and accountable to the public. They provide an opportunity to help stem the decline in public education by encouraging achievement and innovation.

The rally will be held in the Joint Hearing Room in the Legislative Services Building. A map and directions to the Legislative Services Building and parking are enclosed. Bus transportation will be provided from Baltimore and Prince George's County. If you would like to sign up for a bus, please call Joni Gardner at 410-312-1662 or Sylvia Fubini at 301-656-0930.

If you are coming, we would like you to visit the legislators representing your district. Please call them to schedule an appointment after the rally. You can find their names, phone numbers, and email addresses on the web site for the Maryland General Assembly: <http://mlis.state.md.us> or by calling Legislative Services at 410-946-5400 (Baltimore), 301-970-5400 (Washington), or 1-800-492-7122 (other areas). You can also contact Joni or Sylvia for information.

This is a very important time for us. We need to make a lot of noise so bring signs, kids, and all your friends. Legislators need to know that we mean business!

Hope to see you there,

Joni Gardner
President, Maryland Charter School Network

Directions to Legislative Services Building

From Baltimore:

I-97 South to U.S. 50/301 East

From U.S. 50/301 follow enclosed map

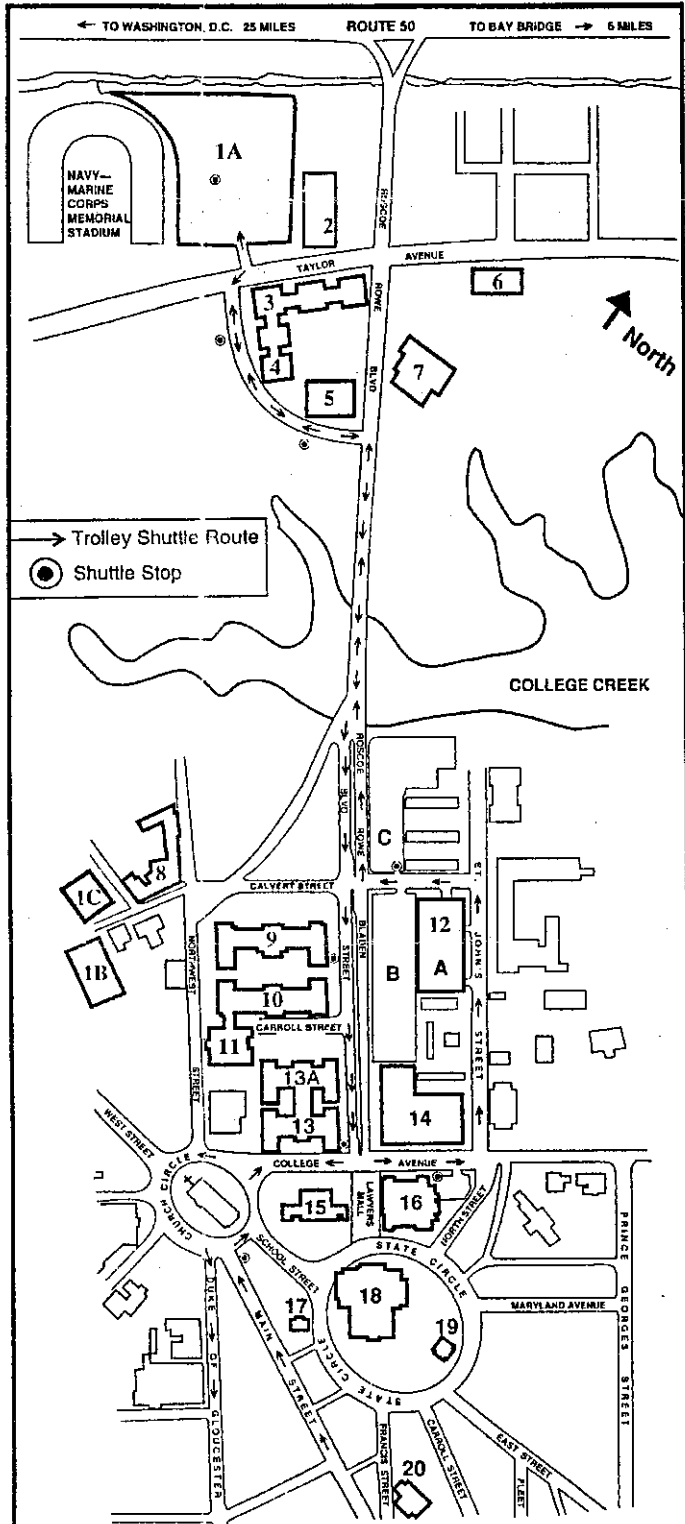
From Washington D.C.

Take I-495 to exit 19A, which is for U.S.50-Annapolis.

Bear right on U.S. 50 (John Hanson Highway) and follow 50 for 19 miles

From U.S. 50, follow enclosed map

STATE GOVERNMENT IN ANNAPOLIS



1. PUBLIC PARKING

A. NAVY-MARINE CORPS MEMORIAL STADIUM

The Trolley Shuttle runs to Annapolis: Monday - Friday, 6:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. at 20 minute intervals, more frequently during rush hours. Saturday and Sunday service May through October only. No service on July 4, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. Fare: 75 cents.

B. GOTT'S COURT GARAGE

Public parking garage. Entrances: Calvert Street and Northwest Street. Hourly rate.

C. WHITMORE GARAGE

Public parking garage. Entrances: Calvert and Clay Streets. Hourly rate.

13. JAMES SENATE OFFICE BUILDING

State Senators' Offices
Committee Hearing Rooms
Senate Snack Bar

13A. MILLER SENATE OFFICE BUILDING

Committee Chairmen's Offices

14. LOWE HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

State Delegates' Offices
Committee Hearing Rooms

15. GOVERNMENT HOUSE

16. LEGISLATIVE SERVICES BUILDING

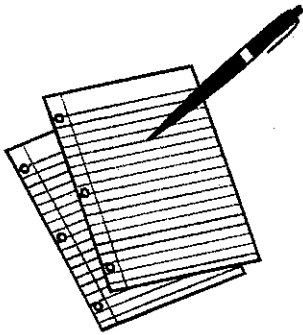
Department of Legislative Services
Bill Room
Legislative Library and Information Services
Legislative Sales
Joint Committee Hearing Room
Cafeteria

17. SHAW HOUSE

Governor's Appointments Office

18. STATE HOUSE

Offices:
President of the Senate
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Speaker of the House
Clerk of the House
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Senate Chamber
House of Delegates Chamber
Library/Information Services Desk



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IN

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February 1, 2001

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|----------------|---|
| 4:00 PM | Meeting, Joint Legislative Hearing Room,
Legislative Services Building |
| 4:30 – 5:00 PM | Rally – Joint Legislative Services Building |
| 5:00 – 6:30 PM | Meet with Legislators – Please call your
local delegation to schedule an appointment |

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