

**CITY OF BALTIMORE**  
**COUNCIL BILL 18-0087R**  
**(Resolution)**

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Introduced by: Councilmember Stokes, President Young, Councilmembers Henry, Scott,  
Bullock, Middleton, Burnett, Clarke, Reisinger, Pinkett

Introduced and read first time: May 14, 2018

Assigned to: Education and Youth Committee

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REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: Baltimore City Public School System, Mayor's Office  
of Employment Development

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A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A COUNCIL RESOLUTION concerning

2 **Informational Hearing – Evening and Weekend High School Apprenticeship Programs**

3 FOR the purpose of requesting that representatives from Baltimore City Public Schools and the  
4 Mayor's Office of Employment Development appear before the City Council to discuss  
5 evening and weekend apprenticeship programs at Carver Vocational-Technical High and  
6 Mergenthaler Vocational Technical Senior High School.

7 **Recitals**

8 Many people learn best by doing, rather than through theoretical study; and there are some  
9 skills and trades that can only be effectively taught with a hands on, trial and error, approach.  
10 Recognizing these facts, Baltimore City Public Schools has long incorporated workshop learning  
11 and apprenticeship style programs into its offerings.

12 Carver Vocational-Technical High and Mergenthaler Vocational Technical Senior High  
13 School in particular have a number of highly regarded and successful apprenticeship style  
14 programs that benefit their students.

15 These programs could benefit even more of Baltimore's young people if they were offered to  
16 a larger population. Offering apprenticeship programs in evenings and on weekends would allow  
17 more people to learn valuable skills and enter into stable careers. This would advance the  
18 schools's educational missions and provide a great benefit to the larger community.

19 Evening and weekend apprenticeship programs would require funding for staffing and  
20 facilities use, but it is likely that the benefits to the community would far outweigh any additional  
21 cost. The idea needs to be fully explored with an eye toward expanding access to life-changing  
22 apprenticeship programs as soon as possible.

23 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That the  
24 Council requests that representatives from Baltimore City Public Schools and the Mayor's Office  
25 of Employment Development appear before it to discuss evening and weekend apprenticeship  
26 programs at Carver Vocational-Technical High and Mergenthaler Vocational Technical Senior  
27 High School.

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter deleted by amendment.

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1       **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the  
2       CEO of Baltimore City Public Schools, the Director of the Mayor’s Office of Employment  
3       Development, and the Mayor’s Legislative Liaison to the City Council.