

Maryland Longitudinal Data System Center

MISSION

The Maryland Longitudinal Data System (MLDS) Center manages and analyzes education and workforce data on each individual student in the State to determine how students are performing and to what extent they are prepared for higher education and the workforce. The Center collaborates with five entities--the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC), the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR), and the School of Social Work (SSW) and College of Education (COE) at the University of Maryland (UM)--to provide this information to policy makers, education professionals, and the general public to enhance education and support services and promote transparency.

VISION

The vision of the Maryland Longitudinal Data System (MLDS) Center is to establish and maintain a system that engenders the trust of those it serves by ensuring the highest levels of data accuracy and security, meeting the needs of stakeholders by providing timely and relevant information and research, and successfully engaging the public by providing understandable and relevant information.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. Maintain a public facing web portal that provides timely and relevant information for stakeholders.

Obj. 1.1 Dashboards are maintained throughout each year with up to date data that is useful for key stakeholders including policy makers, educators, and the public.

Performance Measures	2011 Act.	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Est.	2017 Est.
Number of new dashboards added to the portal	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	1	12	24
Number of page views on the MLDS Center website	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	3,750	5,000	8,000
Number of training seminars conducted on the use and analysis of longitudinal data	N/A	N/A	N/A	6	6	8	10

Goal 2. Research and policy analyses concerning critical education and workforce issues will be used to inform education policy decisions and will be nationally recognized.

Obj. 2.1 Produce research reports and analyses, as well as other research products that are used by the Governing Board, policy makers and the public to make data driven decisions and respond to concerns of constituents.

Performance Measures	2011 Act.	2012 Act.	2013 Act.	2014 Act.	2015 Act.	2016 Est.	2017 Est.
Number of times MLDS reports are cited	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	1	2
Number of reports that are published in scholarly journals	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	1	3