

## CLREP

The Citizenship Law Related Education Program (CLREP) was established in 1975 to help educate teachers and students about the law, courts, and government. CLREP manages programs that provide interactive, real-world opportunities for young people to enhance their knowledge of and appreciation for our legal system—in effect, “bringing the law to life.” Our programs are designed to: (1) Improve students’ and teachers’ knowledge and understanding of the law and justice system through real-world learning experiences; (2) Foster a more constructive attitude toward the law; (3) Decrease youth crime through diversion, education, community restitution, and structured, positive out-of-school activities, and (4) Promote critical thinking, decision-making, and leadership skills among youth so that they are better prepared for proactive, responsible citizenship.

### CLREP Initiatives:

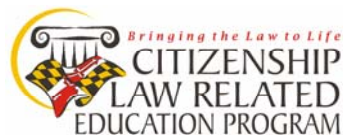
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Law Links Internship  
Baltimore City Teen Court  
Center for Law & Government  
Maryland Justice Training Institute  
MSBA / Public Awareness Law Day Conference

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# Baltimore City Page Program

A cooperative effort of the City Council and  
Citizenship Law Related Education Program

## Baltimore City Council

The City Council is the City's legislative body, with the power to enact all ordinances and resolutions. City Council members are elected from fourteen districts, and the President is elected at-large, by all voters of the City. The fifteen City Council members, along with the Mayor, act only by ordinance, resolution or motion. They adopt and may alter the annual budget and confirm the Mayor's appointments. The City Council determines its own rules of procedure, and its meetings are open to the public.

City Council members are elected every four years. Bernard C. "Jack" Young currently serves as the City Council President. For more information on the City Council, please visit [www.baltimorecitycouncil.com](http://www.baltimorecitycouncil.com).

## Page Responsibilities

Baltimore City Council Pages are young men and women who assist the City Council during its sessions. Pages have played an integral role in state and local legislatures for hundreds of years. The Page experience provides youth the unique opportunity to work alongside City Council members, in the midst of legislative action. It offers students an opportunity to see, first-hand, all of the work that takes place "behind-the-scenes" to keep the city running.

The duties of a Page are varied, but will typically consist of assisting Council and staff members, performing errands during Council meetings, distributing legislative documents, answering phones, and attending committee meetings.

Pages will earn a monthly stipend of \$150.

Pages will attend and participate fully in a two-day Orientation that will overview expectations, procedures, and responsibilities. Pages will also participate in a monthly forum, which will address concerns, questions, and legal topics of interest to the Pages.



## Requirements & Eligibility

To be eligible, prospective pages must:

- Be in the 11th or 12th grade
- Attend a public high school in Baltimore City
- Be in good academic standing, with a 2.5 GPA or better and have 90% school attendance or better



To be considered, prospective pages must:

- Have approval of your high school administrator and parents
- Submit a complete application and participate in a formal interview
- Be able to work Mondays /Monday evenings throughout the ENTIRE school year
- Wear appropriate professional dress which will be provided to each selected Page.

**Serving as a Page for the Baltimore City Council is a privilege, and should only be pursued by those students who are serious about the opportunity and interested in the legislative process.**

## To Apply...

Visit CLREP's website to download an application: [www.clrep.org](http://www.clrep.org). Be sure you speak with your parents or legal guardian to obtain consent about your participation. Since Legislative sessions are held during the school year, Pages must be permitted to leave school from time to time.

Interested students must submit a completed application, along with the following materials by the deadline in order to be considered:

- One letter of recommendation/ permission from your school Principal or Assistant Principal
- Most recent transcript/ attendance record
- A short essay explaining your interest in being a Page (included on the application)

**DEADLINE TO APPLY:** All materials must be received in our office by **September 30, 2011**. Students will be notified of time/location for their interview soon thereafter.