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### **Maryland State Comptroller Visits Local School**

It's no secret that Maryland State Comptroller Peter Franchot is dismayed by what he sees as a lack of financial literacy and preparedness on the part of Maryland high school students. At the invitation of The Harbour School's founder and executive director, Dr. Linda Jacobs, Comptroller Franchot visited The Harbour School at Baltimore to meet students and learn more about the curriculum. Dr. Jacobs was proud to point out that financial literacy is the foundation of the school's unique curriculum - developed by Dr. Jacobs, copyrighted and housed in the Library of Congress. "95.4% of our graduates continue on to post secondary education, vocational training, or employment," stated Dr. Jacobs.

Comptroller Franchot was impressed with the students, many of whom gathered to explain to him how they have learned about practical finances, everything from balancing a checkbook to writing a business plan for a potential business pursuit in The Village (the core of Harbour's groundbreaking curriculum.)

The Harbour School is a non-public school for children aged 6-21 with special learning needs. The school's goal is to provide emotional, social, academic and vocational competence to each student and, most importantly, to teach each child the way they learn best, not the way we prefer to teach. To learn more about The Harbour School visit the Web site at [www.harbourschool.org](http://www.harbourschool.org).