



FAST FACTS

Howard County Public School System

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Our Vision

Every student and staff member embraces diversity and possesses the skills, knowledge and confidence to positively influence the larger community.

Our Mission

HCPSS ensures academic success and social-emotional well-being for each student in an inclusive and nurturing environment that closes opportunity gaps.

Our System

77 Schools

42 elementary schools
20 middle schools
12 high schools
3 education centers

Total Enrollment: 57,325*

Pre-K: 1,321
Elementary (K-5): 24,366
Middle (6-8): 13,319
High (9-12): 18,319

*Official count (9/30/21)

Operating Budget FY22

\$942.6 million

Capital Budget FY22

\$90.4 million

Per Pupil Budgeted Expenditure FY22

\$89.33 per day/\$16,080 per year

Our Staff

- 4,774[^] classroom teachers, 79% of whom hold a master's degree or above
- Total staff: 8,561

Staff Diversity[†]

Total Staff 29%
New Teachers 29%
School Administrators 32%

Data as of 10/15/21. Includes staff on long-term leave.

[^]Does not include vacancies (available to fill or unallocated) as of 10/15/21.

[†]Proportion self-identifying in minority groups. Employees not declaring race/ethnicity are reported to MSDE as "all races/ethnicities." They are represented in these figures as diverse.

Our Students

Race/Ethnicity FY22

Asian	23.4%
Black/African American	24.8%
Hispanic/Latino	13.1%
White	32.0%
Other	≤5.0%
Two or more races	6.3%

Students Receiving Special Services FY21

Free/Reduced-price Meals	23.1%
Multilingual Learners	5.9%
Special Education	9.4%

Attendance Rate FY21

All Grades ≥95%

Gifted and Talented Program FY21

Percentage of students who have participated in Gifted and Talented Education Program offerings:
Grades K-5** 64%
Grades 6-8 56%
Grades 9-12 70%

** Primary Talent Development programming delivered to all students in K-Grade 1.

Graduation Rate FY21: 94.05%^{††}

^{††}4-year adjusted cohort

Class of 2021

43 National Merit Finalist scholarships

HCPSS Performance on State Tests*

Measure	FY18 Results			FY19 Results		
	ES	MS	HS	ES	MS	HS
Percent Proficient Mathematics	57.5%	55.2%	66.9%	56.7%	53.7%	69.9%
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	56.5%	57.9%	60.2%	57.8%	60.5%	70.7%
Percent Proficient Science	---	---	---	42.6%	53.9%	---

*State tests were not administered in FY20 or FY21 due to the pandemic.

SAT Scores and Participation (Senior Class Only)

School Year	Number	Percent Participating	Mean Scores		
			Evidenced-based Reading & Writing	Mathematics	Composite Score
2020-21	2,231	52.2%	614	622	1235
2019-20	3,313	77.9%	595	600	1195
2018-19	3,155	80.4%	596	606	1202

Advanced Placement Test Results

School Year	Number of Exams Taken	Students taking an AP Exam	Exams with Score of 3	Exams with Score of 4	Exams with Score of 5
2020-21	8,906	23.0	25.3	27.4	25.0
2019-20	11,164	28.4	26.1	28.7	27.0
2018-19	11,198	28.5	27.5	27.9	27.1

The Maryland School Report cards for HCPSS can be found at:
<https://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov>

Our Classrooms

Class Size Targets

Grade Level	Teacher/student ratio
Kindergarten	1:22
Grades 1-2	1:20
Grades 3-5	1:26
Middle	1:21
High	1.4:28

Ratio of computers to students: 1:2

Classrooms with internet access: 100%