



# FAST FACTS

## Howard County Public School System

10910 Clarksville Pike • Ellicott City, MD 21042 • 410-313-6600 • [www.hcpss.org](http://www.hcpss.org)  
Michael J. Martirano, Ed.D., Superintendent

### 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: 57,676\*

Elementary (PreK–5): 26,023  
Middle (6–8): 13,161  
High (9–12): 18,280  
Special Schools: 212

\*Official count (9/30/22)

#### Operating Budget FY23

\$1.03 billion

#### Capital Budget FY23

\$105.9 million

#### Per Pupil Budgeted Expenditure FY23

\$99.22 per day/\$17,860 per year

### Our Staff

- 4,884<sup>^</sup> classroom teachers, 79% of whom hold a master's degree or above
- Total staff: 8,866

#### Staff Diversity<sup>†</sup>

Total Staff	31%
New Teachers	33%
School Administrators	35%

Data as of 10/15/22. Includes staff on long-term leave.

<sup>^</sup>Does not include vacancies (available to fill or unallocated) as of 10/15/22.

<sup>†</sup>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 FY23

Asian	23.6%
Black/African American	24.8%
Hispanic/Latino	13.6%
White	31.1%
Other	≤5.0%
Two or more races	6.5%

#### Students Receiving Special Services FY22

Free/Reduced-price Meals	22.8%
Multilingual Learners	7.2%
Special Education	10.3%

#### Attendance Rate FY21

All Grades ≥95%

#### Gifted and Talented Program FY22

Percentage of students who have participated in Gifted and Talented Education Program offerings:  
Grades K–5\*\* 64%  
Grades 6–8 56%  
Grades 9–12 71%

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

#### Graduation Rate FY21: 94.05%<sup>††</sup>

<sup>††</sup>4-year adjusted cohort

#### Class of 2022

95 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. 2022 state assessment results have delayed reporting due to the standard setting process.

#### SAT Scores and Participation (Senior Class Only)

School Year	Number	Percent Participating	Mean Scores		
			Evidenced-based Reading & Writing	Mathematics	Composite Score
2021-22	2,777	64.0%	606	611	1217
2020-21	2,231	52.2%	614	622	1235
2019-20	3,313	77.9%	595	600	1195

#### 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
2021-22	10,542	27.1	24.1	26.0	28.1
2020-21	8,906	23.0	25.3	27.4	25.0
2019-20	11,164	28.4	26.1	28.7	27.0

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

### Our Classrooms

#### Class Size Targets

Class Level	Teacher/student ratio
Kindergarten	1:22 with an upper range of 23
Grade 1–2	1:20 with an upper range of 24 Title I and 25 non-Title I
Grade 3–5	1:26 with an upper range of 30 Title I and 31 non-Title I
Middle	1:19.8 with an upper range of 33
High	1:21.1 with an upper range of 33

#### Ratio of devices to students

Grade	Ratio	Device location
PreK	1:1	home
PreK–2	*	school
3–5	1:2	school
6–12	1:1	home/school

\*Number of devices are equal to the PreK–2 largest grade level, and are shared by those three grades, as needed.