



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: 57,907

Pre-K: 1,337
Elementary (K–5): 25,353
Middle (6–8): 13,448
High (9–12): 17,769
Special School: 106

**Official count (9/30/18)*

Operating Budget FY19

\$861.9 million

Capital Budget FY19

\$71.8 million

Per Pupil Budgeted Expenditure FY19

\$84.83 per day/\$15,270 per year

Our Staff

- 4,802 classroom teachers, 74% of whom hold a master's degree or above
- Total staff: 8,579
(10/17–10/18)

Staff Diversity†

Total Staff	26%
New Teachers	25%
School Administrators	29%

†Proportion representing minority groups for the time period of 10/16/17 to 10/15/18.

Our Students

Race/Ethnicity FY19

Asian	22.4%
Black/African American	24.0%
Hispanic/Latino	11.3%
White	35.8%
Other	≤5.0%
Two or more races	6.2%

Students Receiving Special Services FY18

Free/Reduced-price Lunch	22.7%
Ltd. English Proficient	5.7%
Special Education	9.6%

Attendance Rate FY18

All Grades ≥95%

Gifted and Talented Program FY18

Percentage of students who have participated in Gifted and Talented Education Program offerings:
K–Grade 1: GT talent development instruction provided to all students

Grades 2–5	54%
Grades 6–8	56%
Grades 9–12	65%

Graduation Rate FY18: 92%**

***4-year adjusted cohort*

Class of 2018

44 National Merit Finalist scholarships

HCPSS Performance on State Tests – FY18

Measure	Results		
	ES	MS	HS
Percent Proficient Mathematics	57.5%	55.2%	66.9%
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	56.5%	57.9%	60.2%

SAT Scores and Participation (Senior Class Only)

School Year	Number	Percent Participating	Mean Scores		
			Evidenced-based Reading & Writing	Mathematics	Composite Score
2017–2018	3,133	80.5%	599	607	1206
2016–2017	3,075	82.1%	592	592	1184

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
2017–18	11,358	29.7%	26.3%	28.1%	27.1%
2016–17	11,353	30.2%	27.0%	27.3%	25.4%
2015–16	10,508	28.2%	26.2%	27.1%	26.3%

The Maryland School Report cards for HCPSS can be found at:
<https://hcpssne.ws/mdreportcrd-hc>

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%