

Atholton Elementary School

PROFILE

2017-18

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Atholton's reputation of academic excellence is one that we are proud to continue. We serve children ages three to five in our Regional Early Childhood Program, as well as students in kindergarten through fifth grade.

The mission of Atholton Elementary School is to partner with students, staff, families, and the community to create a supportive, engaging, and collaborative learning community, cultivating creative thinking, honoring diversity, and empowering students to become self-motivated learners.

Atholton Elementary is a dynamic school with dedicated professionals who are passionate about teaching, students who are excited about learning, and parents who are supportive and actively involved. We are committed to ensuring equity with excellence and making every year an exceptional experience for all students. Through teamwork, commitment and collaboration, we are devoted to every student's success in a caring and nurturing atmosphere while providing high quality instruction to ensure each student reaches his or her fullest potential. Our students are highly engaged and strive to meet individual goals. It is through high quality tasks and engaging learning activities that our students apply their knowledge and skills. Our staff is dedicated to working collaboratively to embrace opportunities, unlock potential and inspire excellence in all students.

We have a valued tradition of strong parental involvement. Our PTA, volunteers and staff coordinate activities that cultivate a sense of family within our school community. We are proud of the team effort in place by all members of our school community. Atholton is a great place to learn and grow!

Shawna Holden, Principal
Melanie Krablin, Assistant Principal

Fast Facts

Facility opened: 1961

Additions/Renovations

1980 (A), 2001 (R), 2002 (R), 2006 (R),
2007 (R)

School Capacity: 424

(This does not include additional capacity provided by 3 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment (PreK-5): 487

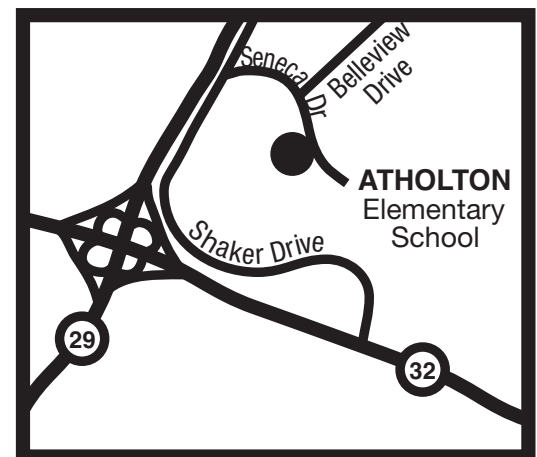
Ethnicity

American Indian/Alaskan	0%
Asian	10.7%
Black/African American	20.1%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.2%
Hispanic/Latino	8.8%
White	51.5%
Two or more races	8.6%

Students Receiving Special Services 2016-17

Free/Reduced Lunch	15.2%
Ltd. English Proficient	≤5.0%
Special Education	11.3%
Title I	0 or <10 students

PTA members: 193



Achievement Data

PARCC Assessment Performance Results – Atholton Elementary

Performance Level	Mathematics			English Language Arts		
	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015
Level 5: Exceeded expectations	12.6%	13.0%	8.5%	12.3%	6.8%	10.8%
Level 4: Met expectations	45.1%	50.0%	43.5%	49.8%	56.5%	52.3%
Level 3: Approached expectations	22.8%	24.0%	28.8%	21.7%	23.6%	19.3%
Level 2: Partially met expectations	11.2%	10.9%	14.1%	7.9%	10.5%	11.4%
Level 1: Did not meet expectations	8.3%	<=5	5.1%	8.4%	<=5	6.3%

State accountability information can be accessed at www.mdreportcard.org.

Special Programs

- After School Programs – Columbia Association
- Banking Program
- Comprehensive Cultural Arts Program including Artist in Residence
- Core Essential Character Education Program
- Evening Workshops for parents
- Field Day
- Gifted and Talented
- Girls on the Run
- Green School Initiative
- Howard County Elementary Honors Orchestra
- Howard County Elementary Honors Band
- Howard County Elementary Solo and Ensemble Festival
- Howard County Festival Chorus
- Howard County Library Battle of the Books
- Howard County Library Rube Goldberg Challenge
- Howard County Spelling Bee and BumbleBee
- Howard County Recreation and Parks After School Activities
- Instructional Intervention Team
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Maryland Department of Natural Resources Trout in the Classroom
- Outdoor Classroom
- Participation in One Hour of Code
- Peer Helpers
- 5th Grade Peer Leaders
- Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) school-wide behavior program
- Pre-Kindergarten
- PTA Cultural Arts Programs
- PTA Restaurant Nights
- Read Across America Guest Reader Day
- Regional Early Childhood Center (RECC)
- School Safety Patrols
- Simulated Congressional Hearing
- Spirit Days
- Student Ambassadors
- Turkey Trot
- Wellness Initiative

Accomplishments

- MAEOE Recertified Green School 2017 Gold Award for Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) – 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017
- Howard County Library Rube Goldberg Community Spirit Awards, 2013, 2014, 2015
- Howard County Teacher of the Year, Lisa Young, 2012
- Four Nationally Board Certified teachers
- Young Author Contest Winners 2014
- Honors Band and Chorus participants
- Healthy Howard Award, 2010–15
- Howard County Library Summer Reading Club Participation Champion, 2015

Educational Partnerships

- A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc.
- Colonial Pipeline Company
- Giant Food, Freetown Road
- Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center, Inc.
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- Harris Teeter, Guilford Road
- Howard County Library, East Columbia Branch
- Howard County Police Department
- Roma's Pizzeria
- Sandy Spring Bank, Fulton Branch
- Towson University College of Education
- Trout Unlimited, Trout in the Classroom