

Ducketts Lane Elementary School

PROFILE

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Ducketts Lane Elementary School is rich in the tradition of excellence, creativity, and caring. The staff supports the school system's mission of ensuring the academic success and social-emotional well-being of all students in an inclusive and caring environment. The staff embraces diversity and ensures access and equitable practices are in place for all students. They deliver high quality instruction, provide interventions and differentiated supports to increase student preparedness for academic and social-emotional success.

The staff is proud to serve at the beginning of our students' educational journey toward college and career readiness.. The staff offers varied instructional opportunities through many programs such as the Regional Early Childhood Center with Multiple Intensive Needs classes for early intervention, Pre-Kindergarten classes, Title I services in Grades K–5, Academic, Intervention Summer School, Gifted and Talented programs, and fine art classes.

Our reading and math specialists, as well as, our literacy and mathematics coaches work alongside teachers to ensure rigorous learning experiences for all students.

In addition to academics, they emphasize the importance of a positive learning culture through their Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) model, which is created and implemented with student input. The PBIS program holds the expectations that students and staff show up to school and show that they are **Determined, Learners, Embracing, and Safe** every day.

The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) provides many activities for families and supports the school in a variety of ways. Family involvement is encouraged through volunteering in the classroom, serving on the PTA, or attending the variety of functions held throughout the year. The support of Ducketts Lane staff members makes these events even more meaningful for families.

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Fast Facts

Facility opened: 2013

School Capacity: 650

Total Enrollment (PreK–5): 595
Official count 9/30/23

Ethnicity FY24

American Indian/Alaskan	≤5.0%
Asian	13.1%
Black/African American	37.3%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	≤5.0%
Hispanic/Latino	29.1%
White	12.8%
Two or more races	7.2%

Students Receiving Special Services FY23

Free/Reduced Meals	66.1%
English Learners	21.8%
Special Education	16.3%

Title I School

Administrators

Molly Caroland, Principal
Amy Van Osdel, Assistant Principal
Brianna Yerashunas, Leadership Intern

Educational Partnerships

- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Iota Lambda Omega Chapter
- Blessings in a Backpack
- Chick-fil-A, Arundel Mills Circle
- Crosslife Community Church
- Free Bikes 4 Kidz Maryland
- Grace Community Church
- Grace Episcopal Church
- Green Valley Marketplace
- Howard County Health Department
- Howard County Library, Elkridge Branch
- Laurel Church of Christ
- Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Ed., Green Schools Prog.
- Mission19
- New Hope Adventist Church
- Okinawan Karate Dojo
- Operation Warm
- Prepare for Success, Community Action County of Howard County
- The Catholic Community of Ascension and St. Augustine
- The Kindness Pantry

Academic Achievement

Accomplishments

DLES Performance on State Tests*

Measure	2022 Results	2023 Results
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	26.3%	44.2%
Percent Proficient Mathematics	17.1%	23.3%
Percent Proficient Science	24.3%	24.7%

State accountability information can be accessed at <https://reportcard.msde.maryland.gov/>

Special Programs

- Academic Intervention Program
- After School Program – Howard County Recreation and Parks
- Alternative Education Program
- Artist in Residence Program
- Band and Chorus – Grades 4 and 5
- Black Student Achievement Program
- Career Day
- Enrichment Fair
- ESOL
- Family Engagement Nights
- Field Day
- Gifted and Talented (G/T) Program
- Girls on the Run Program
- Boys Running Club
- Boys Breakfast Club
- Hour of Code
- Howard County Library Battle of the Books
- Howard HS and Long Reach HS Intern Partnership
- International Community Liaisons
- In-School Wellness Center
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Orchestra – Grades 3, 4 and 5
- PTA After-School Enrichment Programs
- PTA International Night
- Parent Workshops
- Peer Helpers
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Program
- Pre-Kindergarten
- Regional Early Childhood Center (RECC)
- Readathon
- Schoolwide Free Breakfast Program
- Schoolwide Title I
- Simulated Congressional Hearings – Fifth Grade
- Student Art Exhibits
- Student Government
- Telehealth Services
- Watch DOGS (Dads of Great Students)

- Gold LEED Certified School
- Maryland Green School Certification 2016–Present
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports Award Recipient
- National Board Certified Teachers, 3 earning this distinction 2023
- Students' recognition for academic performance by The Council of Elders of the Black Community of Howard County
- Student participation in the Howard Medal winners in Unheard Perspectives Showcase 2017-2022
- 2022-Earned 5 of the 7 ribbons under the Rainbow School
- 2023-Student Participation in Young Author's Contest
- Student participation in Howard County Library:
 - Battle of the Books