

Stevens Forest Elementary School

PROFILE

2017-18

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The entire Stevens Forest Elementary School (SFES) community is committed to providing a rich and rigorous education for our children in a safe and engaging environment. As one of the smallest and most beloved schools in the Howard County Public School System, we pride ourselves on being a true community school where nearly 100 percent of our students live close enough to walk to school. As a result, our staff has built a strong bond with parents and community members because of how frequently we see one another during arrival, dismissal, and during school-related events. We place a premium on partnering with parents and our community members to make our school the very best place for learning.

We are particularly excited about our school programs including full-day prekindergarten for eligible students along with world language instruction for all students. In addition, our school utilizes departmentalization creating two daily instructional blocks in Grades 3 through 5, which allows teachers to develop deeper, more enriching instruction across their focus content areas.

SFES also places a strong emphasis on social and emotional learning by building and strengthening the school and classroom community while supporting students' stamina and effort to sustain a task and persevere through problems. Our staff continue to capitalize on an exciting partnership with the Howard County Health Department that expands existing school health services through technology (telehealth) to maximize instructional time.

Our motivated, hard-working, and caring staff continues to maintain high expectations for each and every student. We truly expect great things from our children and provide them with the necessary supports so students are successful in their future college and career experience. Additionally, our children have opportunities to become involved in many extracurricular activities and programs that showcase and develop our children's talents beyond the classroom. Our dedicated staff and great community strive to ensure Success For Every Student!

Ernesto Diaz, Principal
Tracey Albright, Assistant Principal

Fast Facts

Facility opened: 1972

Additions/Renovations
1995 (R/A), 2013 (R/A)

School Capacity: 399
(This does not include additional capacity provided by 5 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment (PreK-5): 415

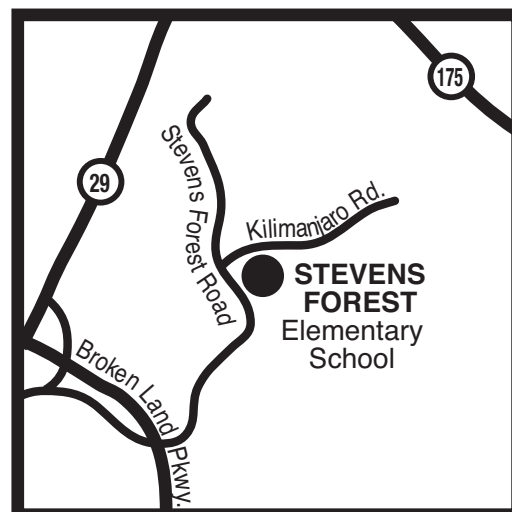
Ethnicity

American Indian/Alaskan	0.2%
Asian	6.3%
Black/African American	35.4%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.2%
Hispanic/Latino	32.5%
White	15.2%
Two or more races	10.1%

Students Receiving Special Services 2016-17

Free/Reduced Lunch	64.8%
Ltd. English Proficient	19.4%
Special Education	14.0%
Title I	≥95.0%

PTA members: 118



Achievement Data

PARCC Assessment Performance Results – Stevens ForestES

Performance Level	Mathematics			English Language Arts		
	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015
Level 5: Exceeded expectations	5.8%	<=5	<=5%	<=5	<=5	<=5%
Level 4: Met expectations	32.5%	32.4%	21.6%	28.9%	34.3%	19.9%
Level 3: Approached expectations	27.7%	27.6%	26.1%	28.9%	23.2%	26.9%
Level 2: Partially met expectations	21.8%	22.9%	31.3%	19.6%	26.1%	26.9%
Level 1: Did not meet expectations	12.1%	12.4%	17.6%	19.6%	14.0%	22.8%

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

Special Programs

- AAA Safety Patrol
- Academic Intervention Summer School Program
- After School Program – HC Recreation and Parks
- Alternative Education Program
- Art Extravaganza Day
- Artist in Residence Program
- Before and After School Academic Intervention
- Before and After School Program – Columbia Association
- Black Student Achievement Program Liaison
- Bridges to Success Extended Day Programs
- Choir Chimes
- Columbia Association Points Program
- Community Circles
- Daily 5 Reading Program
- Departmentalized Instruction in Grades 3–5
- Dogs Educating and Assisting Readers (DEAR)
- DreamBox Learning Online Math Program
- Emotional Disabilities Program
- Family Involvement Liaison
- Field Day
- Full-Day Prekindergarten Program
- Gifted and Talented Program
- Girls on the Run Program
- Girls Who Code
- Hispanic Achievement Liaison
- Hour of Code
- Howard County Library Battle of the Books
- Howard County Library Spelling Bee
- HowGirlsCode Program
- Instructional Intervention Team
- Intervention Teachers
- Math Night
- Math Olympiads
- Math Support Teacher
- Outdoor Classroom
- Parent Workshops
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Program
- Professional Development School with Towson University
- PTA Reflections Program
- Reading Recovery
- Reading Support Teacher
- Ready at Five Partnership Sponsored Learning
- Recycling Team
- School Counselor, full-time
- School Psychologist, full-time
- Schoolwide Free Breakfast Prog.
- Simulated Congressional Hearing
- Spirit Days
- Student Art Exhibits
- Telehealth Services
- Title I
- Turkey Trot
- World Language

Accomplishments



- SFES PTA once again named a "National PTA School of Excellence," making it the only school in Howard County and one of four across Maryland to earn that distinction.
- 2016 Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Gold Recognition School
- Board Certified Teachers (2)
- Healthy Howard Healthy School, 2014–15
- Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver School
- Home of the 2017–18 Maryland Arts Education Association District Recognition Award for Career Elementary School Teacher

Educational Partnerships

- A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc.
- Bicycling Advocates of Howard County
- Howard Community College, Center for Service Learning
- Howard County Library, East Columbia Branch
- Jewish Federation of Howard County
- Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Zeta Alpha Sigma Alumni Chapter, Inc.