

Folly Quarter Middle School

PROFILE

2017-18

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The Folly Quarter Middle School faculty is dedicated to working together with our larger learning community to ensure that all of our students actively engage in learning, meet success, and are fully prepared for a positive future. To accomplish this critical mission, we strive daily to create an exemplary middle school by continuously improving the quality of teaching and learning.

As a learning community of students, parents, and staff, we are dedicated to creating a positive school climate—one where individuals feel respected, cared for, and valued. We want to instill that all members of the school community demonstrate respect, fairness, and kindness in their interactions, as well as build healthy relationships that are free from harassment and discrimination.

We are very proud of the fact that our work has been so successful! We are delighted that Folly Quarter has been recognized as a Maryland Blue Ribbon School and a National Blue Ribbon School. Additionally, FQMS was also named the 12th Best Middle School in the USA by TheBestSchools.org and the 3rd best middle school in the state of Maryland by Niche.org.

In spite of these wonderful accolades, we recognize that the road to success is always under construction. As a result, individual staff members and teams of teachers are constantly engaged in improvement planning processes and reflective exercises to ensure that Folly Quarter provides each student with a solid foundation. Our excellent teachers strive daily to ensure that students are ready and prepared as they work to reach their full potential.

Scott Conroy, Principal
Lori Willoughby, Assistant Principal

Fast Facts

Facility opened: 2003

School Capacity: 662

Total Enrollment: 663

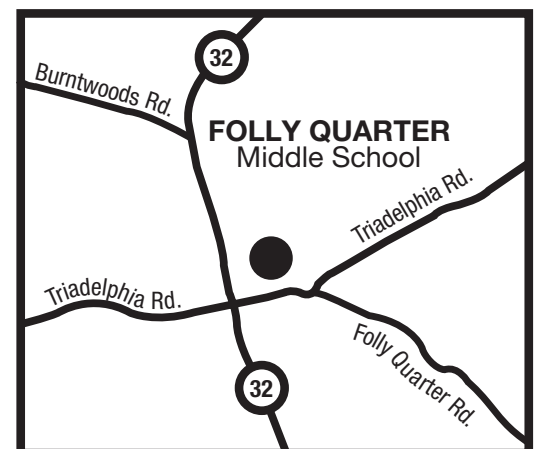
Ethnicity

American Indian/Alaskan	0.3%
Asian	27.0%
Black/African American	5.6%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0%
Hispanic/Latino	2.7%
White	58.7%
Two or more races	5.7%

Students Receiving Special Services 2016-17

Free/Reduced Lunch	≤5.0%
Ltd. English Proficient	0 or <10 students
Special Education	8.0%

PTA members: 325



Achievement Data

PARCC Assessment Performance Results – Folly Quarter MS

Performance Level	Mathematics			English Language Arts		
	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015
Level 5: Exceeded expectations	25.1%	21.5%	14.9%	23.0%	17.4%	18.6%
Level 4: Met expectations	56.5%	56.0%	52.7%	54.3%	60.5%	53.3%
Level 3: Approached expectations	14.1%	16.3%	25.4%	17.2%	16.6%	20.7%
Level 2: Partially met expectations	<=5	<=5	6.5%	<=5	<=5	5.9%
Level 1: Did not meet expectations	<=5	<=5	<=5%	<=5	<=5	<=5%

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

Special Programs

- Academic Life Skills' "Wake Up Wagon" Club
- Chess Club
- Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts
- Community Circles based on Restorative Practices
- Daily TV Production (Morning News)
- Enrichment G/T Seminars (Book Club, Debate, Writers' Guild, Falcon Watch, Photojournalism, Film Production, Philosophy, Math & Logic, L.E.A.P., Programming)
- Falcon Friends
- Folly Quarter Scholars
- Girls on the Run
- High Achieving Fundraising School 2017
- Howard County Geography Bee
- Howard County Library Spelling Bee
- Lego League
- Memory Book
- Outdoor Education
- Outreach to local charities through the Leo Club
- Percussion Ensemble Intramural
- School Wellness Program
- Shakespeare Troupe
- Summer School Enrichment Program
- Weekly Student Recognition with "Soaring to New Heights"

Educational Partnerships

- Barnes & Noble Booksellers
- Glenwood Lions Club
- Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center, Inc.
- Howard County Library, Glenwood Branch
- Western Howard County Soccer, Inc.

Accomplishments

- Designated as 12th Best Middle School in the USA by TheBestSchools.org in 2014 and 2016
- Designated as 3rd best public middle school in Maryland by Niche.org for 2017–18
- National Blue Ribbon School, 2013
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- Designated as a Maryland Green School by the Maryland Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education 2010–18
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Maryland Gold Recognition School, 2010–17
- 4 National Board Certified Teachers
- Highest Team Achievement Award for Math Olympiad in 2015–2017
- Superior ratings and Best Overall Award at Music in the Parks for Band, Orchestra, and Chorus programs, including students performing at the All County, GT, and All State levels
- Carson Scholar Awards
- Geography Bee Winners
- National Scripps Spelling Bee Regional and State Winners