

# Lake Elkhorn Middle School

## PROFILE

2017-18

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Lake Elkhorn Middle School originally opened its doors in 1976, serving the community as Owen Brown Middle School. In August 2011, Lake Elkhorn Middle opened its doors as the LEMS Eagles.

At Lake Elkhorn Middle School, students are inspired to persevere and empowered to reach their full potential. As a community school, Lake Elkhorn Middle School provides a supportive learning environment, builds positive relationships, and engages students in rigorous instruction to ensure college and career readiness. Our vision parallels the Howard County Public School System's Strategic Call to Action, Learning and Leading with Equity, as we embrace diversity and ensure the academic successes and social-emotional well-being of each of our students.

Our students are challenged every day with classroom experiences and a variety of other opportunities, including performing arts, STEAM activities, Gifted and Talented seminars, Beyond the School Hours, Academic and Athletic intramurals, and partnerships supporting mentoring for our students and parents. PBIS and our advisory program provides students and teachers the opportunity to establish relationships, student voice, as well as academic goal setting. Lake Elkhorn students are recognized for academic achievement and positive behaviors through our PRIDE (Perseverance, Respect, Integrity, Dependability, Excellence) program.

We believe collaborative partnerships with staff, students, parents and community members are critical to student achievement. We invite parents, family members and mentors to partner with us to support our school community.

Lynnette Moore, Principal  
Tiffany Carmean, Assistant Principal  
Kevin Dorsey, Assistant Principal  
Kelli Nitsch, Assistant Principal

### Fast Facts

**Facility opened:** 1976

**Additions/Renovations**  
2002 (R)

**School Capacity:** 643  
*(This does not include additional capacity provided by a portable classrooms.)*

**Total Enrollment:** 548

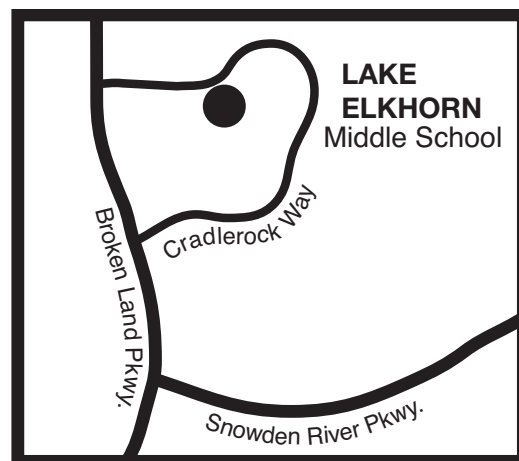
#### Ethnicity

American Indian/Alaskan	0%
Asian	8.6%
Black/African American	52.4%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0%
Hispanic/Latino	16.6%
White	15.3%
Two or more races	7.1%

#### Students Receiving Special Services 2016-17

Free/Reduced Lunch	46.9%
Ltd. English Proficient	≤5.0%
Special Education	13.0%

**PTSA members:** 99



## Achievement Data

### PARCC Assessment Performance Results – Lake Elkhorn MS

Performance Level	Mathematics			English Language Arts		
	2017	2016	2015	2017	2016	2015
Level 5: Exceeded expectations	<=5	<=5	<=5%	5.5%	<=5	<=5%
Level 4: Met expectations	23.7%	22.6%	18.2%	25.1%	28.2%	24.8%
Level 3: Approached expectations	29.0%	31.9%	29.2%	30.5%	30.6%	29.5%
Level 2: Partially met expectations	26.5%	24.9%	34.4%	24.4%	23.1%	23.8%
Level 1: Did not meet expectations	18.2%	18.6%	16.2%	14.5%	13.2%	18.6%

State accountability information can be accessed at [www.mdreportcard.org](http://www.mdreportcard.org).

## Special Programs

- Academic Mentors
- Alternative Education Program
- Athletic intramurals: lacrosse, basketball, flag football and soccer
- Actors Guild
- Black Student Achievement Program
- Debate Team
- Enrichment Fair
- Gifted and Talented Research and Seminar opportunities
- Girls on the Run
- Jazz Band
- Ladies First Mentoring Program
- Maryland Engineering Challenges Team
- Maryland Meals For Achievement breakfast program
- Math tutor partnership with Applied Physics Lab
- MESA (Math Engineering Science Achievement)
- Music Honor Society
- National Board certified teachers
- Outdoor Education
- PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports)
- Reading and Math support teachers
- Recycling Program
- Restorative Practices
- School-wide Wellness Program
- Science Olympiad
- Spelling Bee
- Student Council/Student Member of the Board
- Student Lifeguards
- Student Recognition: Principal's, Gold and Silver Honor Roll
- Student Service Learning program
- Television Production Program

## Accomplishments

- Healthy Howard School – Gold Award, 2015
- Howard County Library Summer Reading Program – First Place, 2012–14
- MESA State Champion and Fourth Place Nationally – 2015
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) - Bronze Award, 2017
- Chorus, Orchestra and Band - Excellent and Superior ratings, Second place at Music in the Parks Festival
- All-county Band, Chorus and Orchestra participants
- Junior Achievement Personal Finance Challenge - First and Second Place, 2016
- Maryland Letters About Literature – First and Second Place Winners, 2016

### Educational Partnerships:

- A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc.
- Continental Societies, Inc., Columbia, Maryland Chapter
- Good Life Wellness
- Howard Community College, Center for Service Learning
- Howard Community College, Financial Aid Services
- Howard County Library, East Columbia Branch
- Howard County MultiService Center
- Launch Trampoline Park
- Smile Savers Dentistry
- Smoothie King, Columbia
- St. Johns Baptist Church, Mentoring Program
- SECU
- Trout Unlimited, Trout in the Classroom