

Guilford Elementary School

PROFILE

2011-12

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Guilford Elementary School's learning community reflects a partnership between the students, parents and our dedicated staff. Through this partnership, we continually strive to ensure the academic success of all students by encouraging their academic, physical, emotional, and social development.

At Guilford, teaching and learning are not merely what we do, but who we are. Among our staff, we have specialists in reading and mathematics, who offer their expertise both in our classrooms, and in the larger educational society through workshops and presentations. Other staff members can be found honing their craft by writing curriculum, publishing instructional units, and teaching students before and after school. Still other staff regularly opt to invest their time in the summer in order to prepare for our students. We recognize that we cannot possibly expect the best from our students if we do not expect the best from ourselves.

Guilford Elementary is committed to opening its doors to all learning opportunities that enhance the richness of our diverse cultural blend of students attending Guilford. Students excitedly participate in service events for the March of Dimes, The Chosen, and food drives for the holidays. Through these endeavors, we vitalize our mission of ensuring excellence in teaching and learning so that each child will participate responsibly in our diverse and changing world.

Genée A. Varlack, Ed.D., Principal
Connie Stahler, Assistant Principal

Fast Facts

Facility opened - 1954

Additions/Renovations

1959 (R), 1982, 1986 (A), 1989, 2006

School Capacity: 462

(This does not include additional capacity provided by 5 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment (PreK-5): 523

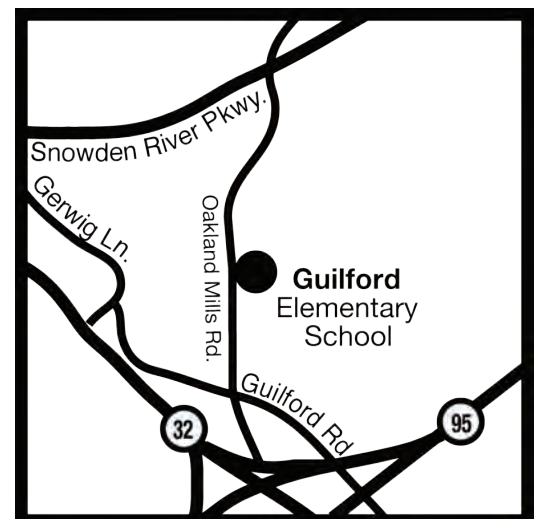
Ethnicity

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| White | 25.6% |
| Asian | 9.2% |
| Hispanic | 12.8% |
| American Indian/Alaskan | 0% |
| African American | 43.6% |
| Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | 0.2% |
| Two or more races | 8.6% |

Students Receiving Special Services 2010-11

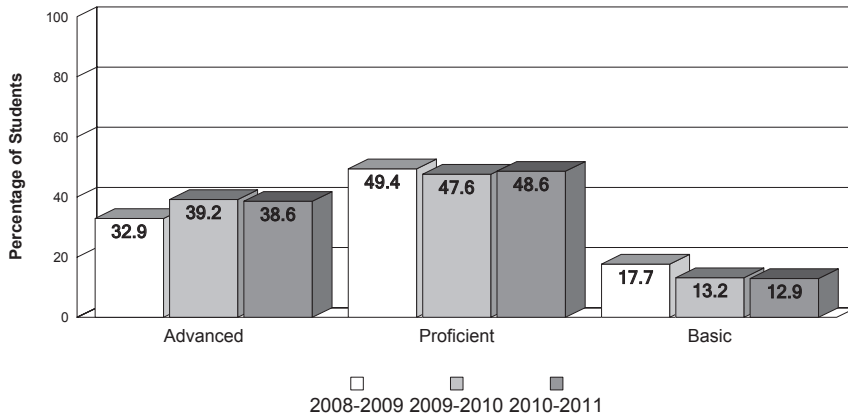
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| Title I | 11.9% |
| Ltd. English Proficient | 5.6% |
| Free/Reduced Lunch | 27.8% |
| Special Education | 6.6% |

PTA members: 250+

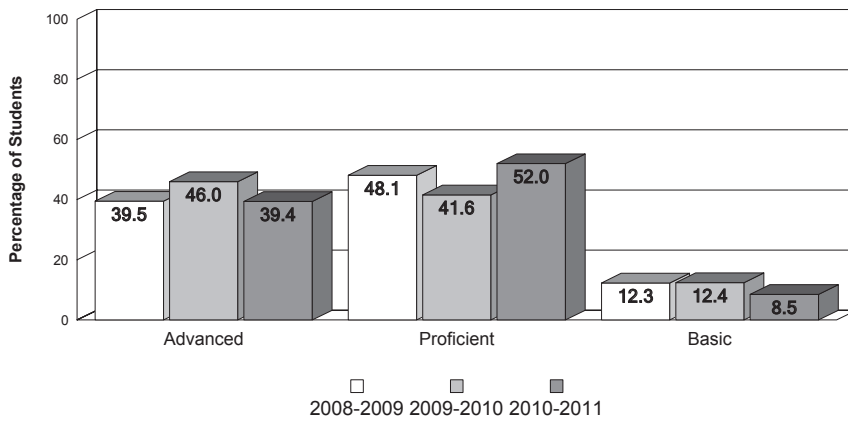


Achievement Data

Guilford Elementary School MSA - Mathematics



MSA - Reading



MSA Standards - Percent Advanced/Proficient

| School Year | MSDE AYP Standards | | Howard Cty Standard | Guilford ES | |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Reading | Mathematics | | Reading | Mathematics |
| 2008-2009 | 76.5 | 74.2 | AYP% or 70% | 87.70 | 82.30 |
| 2009-2010 | 81.2 | 79.4 | AYP% or 70% | 87.60 | 86.80 |
| 2010-2011 | 85.9 | 84.5 | AYP% or 70% | 91.50 | 87.10 |

Accomplishments

- BSAP salutes students for outstanding MSA performance, 2008-2010
- PBIS Gold Award, 2009, 2010
- Anne Hager received "A Day Made Better" dedicated teacher award from Office Max, 2009
- Carol Wolter received Simon McNeely Award for Physical Education, 2009
- Kris Woodson received MSDE Award for Outstanding Contributions to Maryland's Extended Learning Programs, 2009
- Healthy Howard Award, 2009
- GES students received 5 team awards in MESA Competition, led by Susie Wright, 2009
- GES students collected \$975 for March of Dimes led by Erin Schade, 2009
- GES students and staff collected \$1200 for The Chosen, a group of Ugandan students, led by parent Lisa Nugent, 2009
- Math Olympiad High Team Achievement, 2009
- Howard County Elementary GT and Honors Band participants
- Howard County Children's Chorus participants
- Organizational analysis of data at every level; students - to see the data and set goals; staff - to analyze data at the individual and team level; administration - to analyze and supervise the response to the data.

Special Programs

- Bridges 21st Century Community Learning Center before- and after-school program to enhance student achievement.
- Math tutoring provided in small groups.
- America Reads Tutoring Program in conjunction with community college.
- MESA participants each year.
- Over a third of Guilford Elementary students participate in instrumental music programming. Additional offerings include Jazz Band, Chamber Orchestra, Tiger Drums and Chimers.
- Over 25% of 4th and 5th grade students participate in GT mathematics.
- Tuesday Mornings program to acquaint Pre-K, K, and 1st grade parents with Guilford.
- Omega Psi Phi Mentoring Program for males.