

Thunder Hill Elementary School

PROFILE

2011-12

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Thunder Hill Elementary School has provided a supportive and challenging educational environment for students for more than 40 years. Our school community is diverse and we value the qualities that each of our families bring to our school culture. The commitment of our dedicated staff and the tireless efforts of our parents have combined to create a school environment that encourages excellence and focuses on success for all students.

We continue to focus on initiatives and instructional practices that will excite and engage all of our students. We are continuing to implement an Arts Integration instructional model at Thunder Hill Elementary. It is our goal to more effectively meet the learning needs of all students by integrating the arts into the new Common Core Curriculum when possible. We are also working to ensure that all of our students are included and participating in our general education program to the maximum extent possible each and every day. We continually strive to provide the structure and resources necessary to ensure that our students will be "college or career ready" with the foundations for future learning we are providing at Thunder Hill Elementary.

The school community at Thunder Hill is dedicated to ensuring the best educational experience for all students. We are thankful for our wonderful and supportive parents!

John T. Birus, Principal
Martha Bowen, Assistant Principal

Fast Facts

Facility opened - 1970

Additions/Renovations

1987 (R), 1988 (A), 1989, 2007

School Capacity: 368

Total Enrollment (K-5): 382

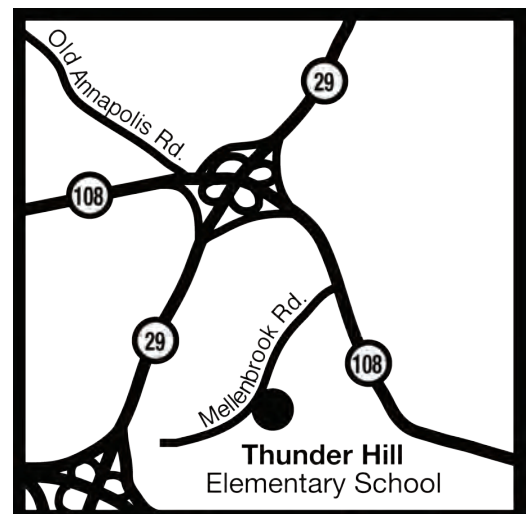
Ethnicity

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|---------------------------|-------|
| White | 53.9% |
| Asian | 15.2% |
| Hispanic | 7.9% |
| American Indian/Alaskan | 0% |
| African American | 16.0% |
| Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | 0% |
| Two or more races | 7.1% |

Students Receiving Special Services 2010-11

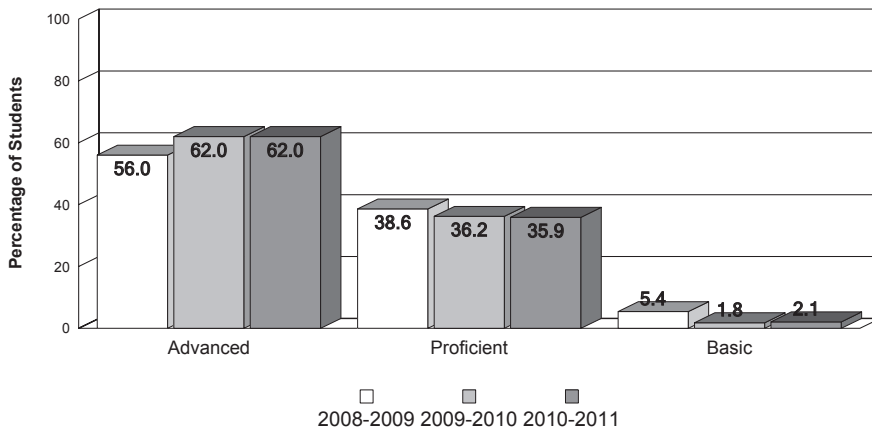
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| Title I | 0% |
| Ltd. English Proficient | 1.1% |
| Free/Reduced Lunch | 6.2% |
| Special Education | 9.7% |

PTA members: 250

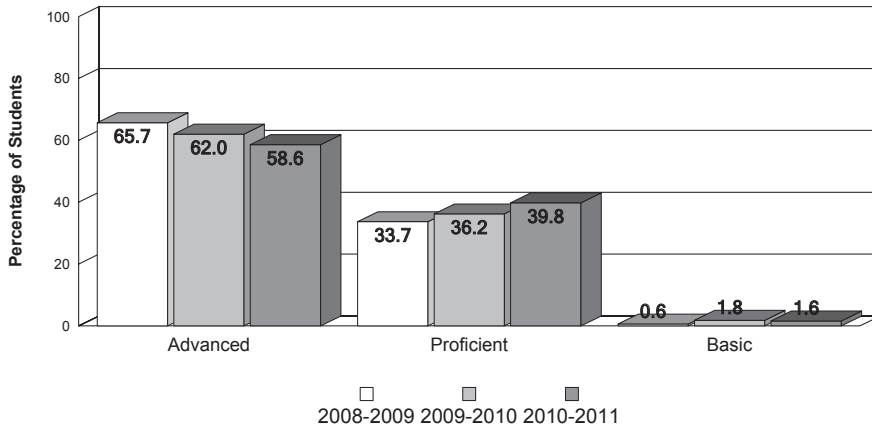


Achievement Data

Thunder Hill Elementary School MSA - Mathematics



MSA - Reading



MSA Standards - Percent Advanced/Proficient

| School Year | MSDE AYP Standards | | Howard Cty Standard | Thunder Hill ES | |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | Reading | Mathematics | | Reading | Mathematics |
| 2008-2009 | 76.5 | 74.2 | AYP% or 70% | 99.40 | 94.60 |
| 2009-2010 | 81.2 | 79.4 | AYP% or 70% | 98.20 | 98.20 |
| 2010-2011 | 85.9 | 84.5 | AYP% or 70% | 98.40 | 97.90 |

Accomplishments

2011

- Recipient of the 2010-2011 "John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts School of Excellence in Arts Education Award"
- Healthy Howard School

2010

- Green School Certification
- Healthy Howard School

2009

- Certificate of Excellence - Maryland School Assessment Program Performance presented by the NAACP
- Achievement in Arts Education

Special Programs

- Professional Development School: UMBC
- Bullyproofing and Character Education Program
- Regional Academic Life Skills Program