

Murray Hill Middle School

PROFILE

2011-12

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All members of the Murray Hill Middle School community are committed to maintaining an inviting, structured, safe and orderly learning environment fully conducive to the process of teaching and learning, by our team of caring, competent, informed, well-planned administrators, teachers and support staff.

Murray Hill has developed and successfully implemented a data-driven, school-wide action plan for reading and mathematics designed to ensure achievement for all student groups. Our highly-qualified teachers provide students with performance-based instruction linked to the HCPSS Essential Curriculum and State Curriculum designed to promote cognitive pluralism and worthwhile instructional tasks.

Murray Hill Middle School utilizes the latest in progressive technology. Students are presented with a myriad of unique, technology-driven learning opportunities that reinforce curricular standards and promote authentic engagement. Through our cutting-edge professional development plan for teachers, our student body is ahead of the national expectations for writing under the Common Core Standards for College and Career Readiness.

Our active PTA provides strong and consistent support for our academic and character-education learning opportunities and our annual service learning initiatives provide students with the opportunity to impact the community through needs-based and service environmental projects.

For more information, visit our school website at <http://mhms.hcpss.org/>.

Donyall D. Dickey, Principal
Andrea Harmon, Assistant Principal

Fast Facts

Facility opened - 1997

School Capacity: 662
(This does not include additional capacity provided by 6 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment: 725

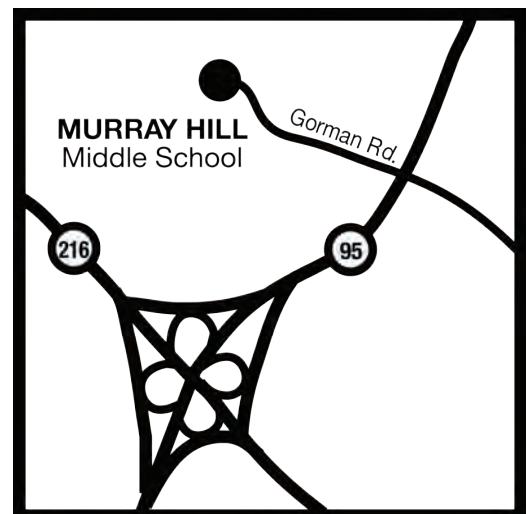
Ethnicity

White	23.9%
Asian	14.8%
Hispanic	12.1%
American Indian/Alaskan	0.3%
African American	42.2%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.3%
Two or more races	6.5%

Students Receiving Special Services 2010-11

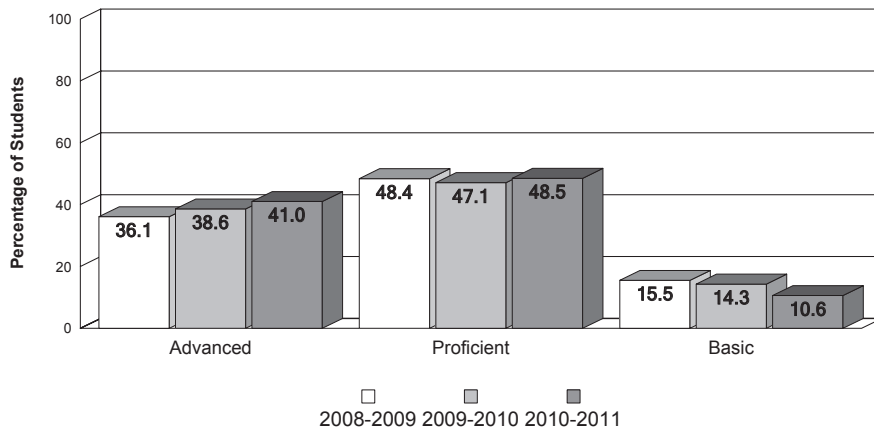
Ltd. English Proficient	1.4%
Free/Reduced Lunch	30.7%
Special Education	8.3%

PTA members: 260

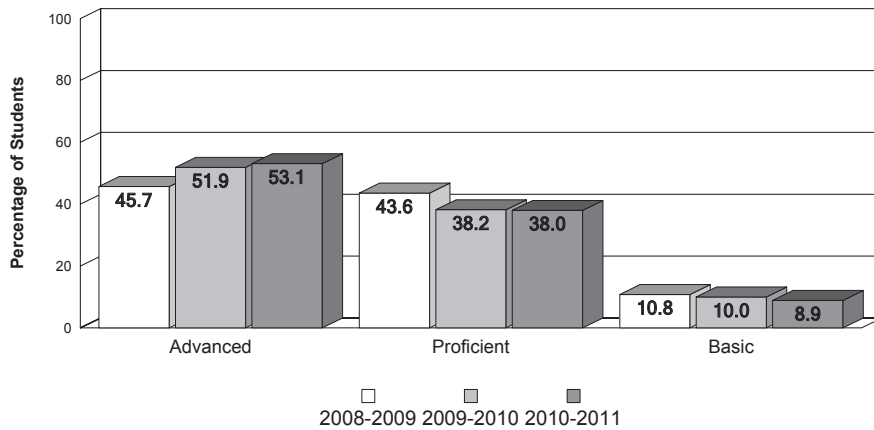


Achievement Data

Murray Hill Middle School MSA - Mathematics



MSA - Reading



MSA Standards - Percent Advanced/Proficient

School Year	MSDE AYP Standards		Howard Cty Standard	Murray Hill MS	
	Reading	Mathematics		Reading	Mathematics
2008-2009	75.9	64.3	AYP% or 70%	89.20	84.50
2009-2010	80.8	71.5	AYP% or 70%	90.00	85.70
2010-2011	85.6	78.6	AYP% or 70%	91.10	89.40

Accomplishments

- All Star Debate Team
- Award Winning Music Program
- Carson Scholarship Student Recipient
- Double Digit Gains on Maryland School Assessment (2007-2010)
- Exemplar PBIS School
- HCPSS History Day Champions
- HCPSS Middle School Science Fair Winners
- JHU Physics Bowl Winners
- Maryland History Day Champions
- National History Day – Outstanding Project for the State of Maryland

Special Programs

- Breakfast of Champions for Honor Roll Students
- Educational Partnerships include: The Continentals, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.
- Extracurricular activities include: Debate, Literary Magazine, School Newspaper, Drama Club, Book Club, Kappa Phi Alpha, MESA, Art Club, and After School at the Hill
- High-Five Student and Teacher of the Month recognitions
- Jazz Band, Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Orchestra
- MHTV News Broadcast
- Murray Money for Academic Achievement
- Outdoor Education
- Regional Program Services
- Student Leadership Activities include: Murray Ambassador, Green Team, April Gladness Committee
- The Integrated Approach to Student Achievement
- Towson University Professional Development Center