

# Wilde Lake Middle School

## PROFILE

2011-12

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At Wilde Lake Middle School (WLMS), students, staff and parents work collaboratively to provide a safe, nurturing environment that is focused on academic excellence for all. Since the school opened in 1969, the staff has worked hard to develop a tradition of high academic standards and have created a wide range of enrichment activities that promote the development of healthy, productive and ethical citizens. Over the years, WLMS students and staff have consistently been honored for outstanding academic achievement. As we look to the future, we are excited about providing our students with the skills necessary to excel in an ever-changing and complex world.

Our talented staff recognizes the unique needs of adolescents and is dedicated to providing learning opportunities that foster the intellectual, social, emotional and physical development of our students. In addition, we encourage our students to think critically and creatively by providing rigorous academic classes, as well as a variety of related arts courses such as Art, Family and Consumer Sciences, World Languages, Health, Music, Chorus, Band, Strings, Physical Education and Technology Education.

WLMS is committed to having all students meet the challenging performance standards established by our county, state and national governments. Also, to ensure a well-balanced educational experience for our students, we provide a number of extra-curricular activities through our After School at the Lake Program (homework clubs, a girl's running club, art club, drama club, baseball, basketball and robotics).

We are proud of our strong and supportive PTSA and the many business partnerships we have established. On a daily basis, parents and community members can be found volunteering to help our students learn and grow. Our staff is very grateful for all of the support and encouragement we receive from the Columbia community.

Together, the WLMS community is working to ensure the success of all our students by instilling the "Wilde Lake Way" of being Respectful, Responsible, Ready and Safe.

Thomas M. Saunders, Principal  
Lisa R. Smithson, Assistant Principal

### Fast Facts

**Facility opened** - 1969

**Additions/Renovations:** 1974, 1998 (R)

**School Capacity:** 506  
*(This does not include additional capacity provided by 4 portable classrooms.)*

**Total Enrollment:** 515

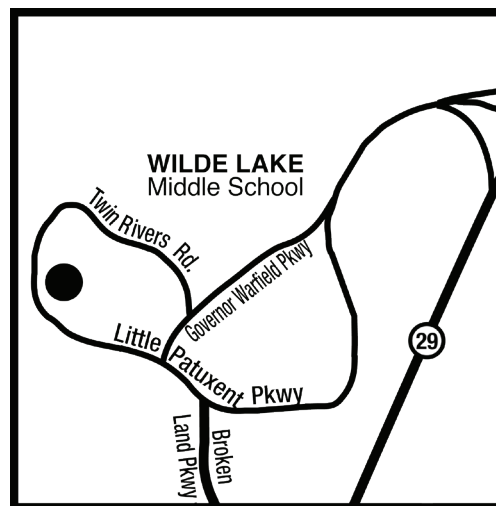
#### Ethnicity

White	31.5%
Asian	7.0%
Hispanic	12.0%
American Indian/Alaskan	0.6%
African American	42.1%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.2%
Two or more races	6.6%

#### Students Receiving Special Services 2010-11

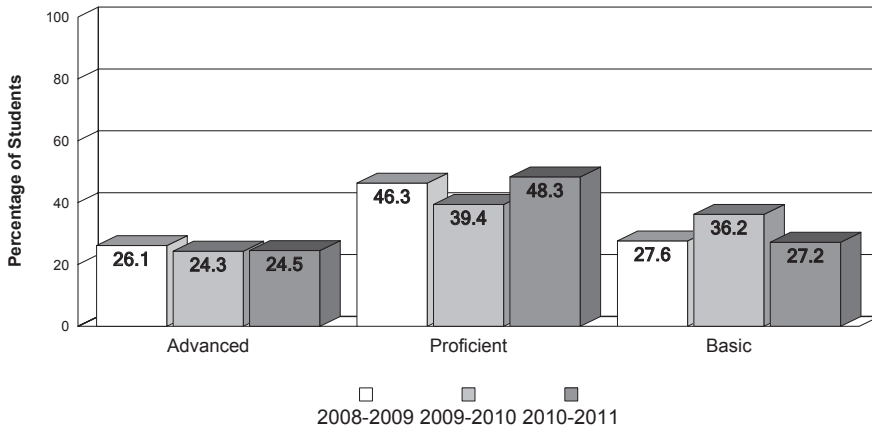
Ltd. English Proficient	0.6%
Free/Reduced Lunch	34.1%
Special Education	8.8%

**PTSA members:** 300

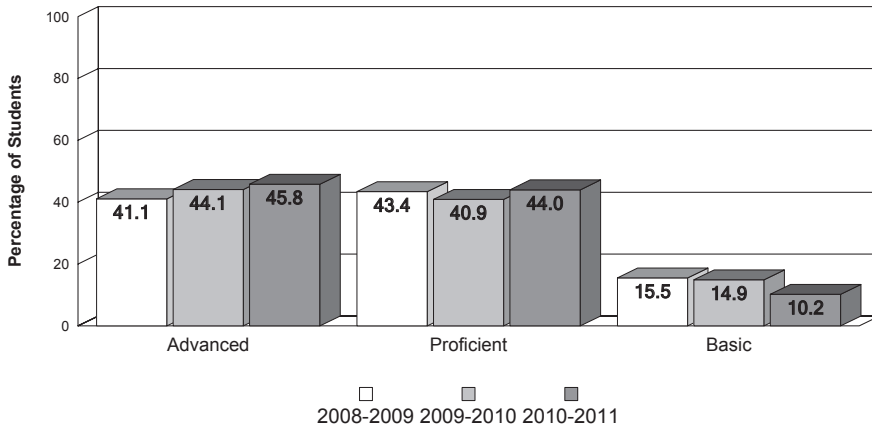


## Achievement Data

### Wilde Lake Middle School MSA - Mathematics



### MSA - Reading



### MSA Standards - Percent Advanced/Proficient

School Year	MSDE AYP Standards		Howard Cty Standard	Wilde Lake MS	
	Reading	Mathematics		Reading	Mathematics
2008-2009	75.9	64.3	AYP% or 70%	84.50	72.40
2009-2010	80.8	71.5	AYP% or 70%	85.10	63.80
2010-2011	85.6	78.6	AYP% or 70%	89.80	72.80

## Accomplishments

- Healthy Howard Innovation in Physical Activity, 2009-2011
  - Maryland PBIS\* Exemplar School - Gold School, 2009-2011
- \*Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports

## Special Programs

- Academic Lifeskills
- Alternative Education Program
- AKA Mentor Program
- Aqua Havens Program
- Black Saga Competition
- WLMS Book Club
- BSAP
- Bridges Grant (After-School program)
- Daily TV Production – Eye Opener
- Debate Team
- Drama Club
- Enrichment Fair
- ESOL
- Geography Bee Competition
- Gifted and Talent Program
- HCC Mentor Program
- Intramurals
- Jazz Band
- Junior Envirothon Team
- Literary Magazine Club
- Little Lakers Choral Program
- Math Support Teacher
- Maryland State Arts Council Grant for Cultural Arts Residency
- Memory Book
- Newspaper Club
- Outdoor Education Experience
- PBIS Program
- Percussion Ensemble
- PTA Reflections
- Reading Support Teacher
- Recycling Program
- Robotics
- Service Learning
- SoMirac Young Authors competition
- Special Education Support Teacher
- Spell Read
- Summer School
- Washington Post grant for the Arts
- Writers Guild

### Business Partnerships

- Howard County Library - Central Branch
- National Aquarium in Baltimore
- National Information Technology Academy Association
- Northrup Grumman
- PDS Partnership with UMCP and RHHS
- Tri-Columbia