

Patapsco Middle School

PROFILE

2009-10

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In the 40 years since Patapsco Middle School opened its doors for students, it has maintained a tradition of high academic standards, positive school climate, and a strong collaborative relationship among the community, staff, and students.

Patapsco Middle School recognizes the uniqueness of middle school aged students and challenges them to think creatively and critically as they strive for excellence. We encourage responsible decision-making and respect for self and others. Our teaching staff is dedicated to providing learning experiences that nurture the intellectual, social, emotional and physical development of all of our students. The children are our number one priority.

Patapsco Middle is committed to having all students meet the rigorous performance standards that have been established. Any student identified as below grade level in reading or math receives additional in-school and extended day opportunities for academic acceleration.

A strong, supportive PTA is an essential component of the Patapsco experience. Parent volunteers work with students and teachers on a daily basis. The PTA has been instrumental in supporting our school wide initiatives over the years.

At Patapsco Middle School, we work hard to create an atmosphere of exploration and accomplishment so that each student has the opportunity for academic success and positive character development.

Jennifer Peduzzi, Principal
Carol Ketterman, Assistant Principal

Fast Facts

Facility opened - 1969

Additions/Renovations

1974 (R), 1996, 2003 and 2004 (R)(A)

School Capacity: 662

(This does not include additional capacity provided by 4 portable classrooms.)

Total Enrollment: 604

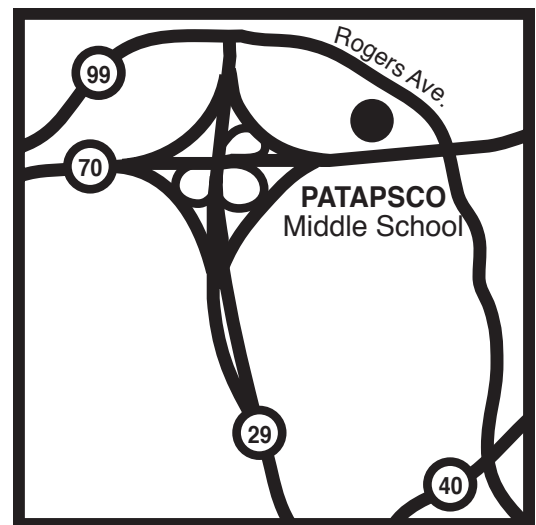
Ethnicity

White	58.7%
African American	11.3%
Asian	24.2%
Hispanic	4.3%
Native American	0%
Not Reported	1.5%

Students Receiving Special Services 2008-09

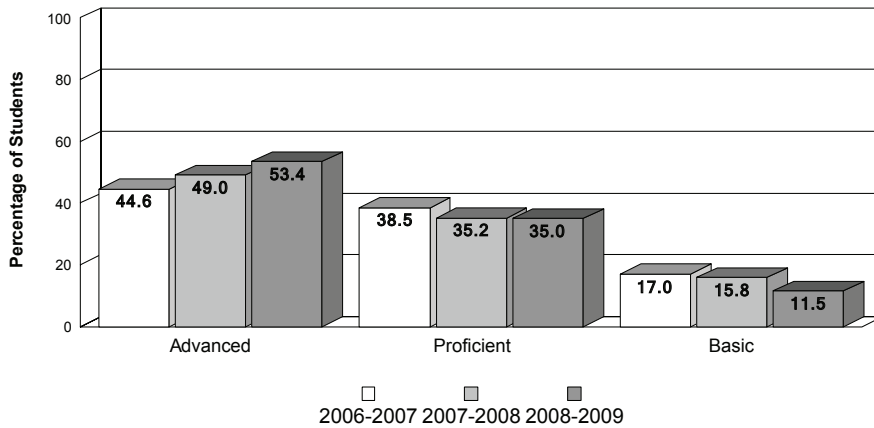
Ltd. English Proficient	6.3%
Free/Reduced Lunch	7.2%
Special Education	5.4%

PTA members: 341

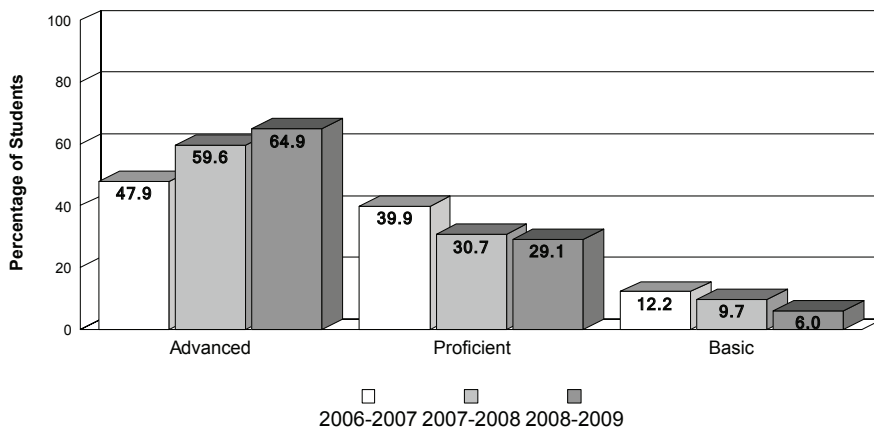


Achievement Data

Patapsco Middle School MSA - Mathematics



MSA - Reading



MSA Standards - Percent Advanced/Proficient

School Year	MSDE AYP Standards		Howard Cty Standard	Patapsco MS	
	Reading	Mathematics		Reading	Mathematics
2006-2007	66.3	50.0	70.0	87.80	83.00
2007-2008	71.1	57.2	70.0	90.30	84.20
2008-2009	75.9	64.3	70.0	94.00	88.50

Accomplishments

2008-09

- Middle School Debate Competitions
- **Student Honors:** Howard County GT Middle School Chorus and Orchestra, Howard County Vocal Solo and Ensemble Festival, Music in the Parks Festival, MD Junior All-State Chorus

2007-08

- Scripps Spelling Bee finalist
- GT Middle School Chorus
- Howard County Solo Ensemble
- Maryland Junior All State Chorus
- Music in the Parks Festival

Special Programs

- Chesapeake Bay Foundation / MD Agricultural Mobile Aquatics Lab
- Artist-In-Residence, MD Institute of Art
- Enrichment Fair
- MESA
- Jazz Band, Junior Jazz, Concert Band, 6th and 7th Grade Advanced Band, Wind Ensemble, Voices of Patapsco, Treble Choir, Chamber Orchestra
- Extended Day Program - reading, math
- School wide Academic Enrichment
- Homework Club
- "What Do You Stand For" character education program
- No-Name Calling Week participant
- Co-curricular after-school intramurals: Memory Book, Crafty Club, Table Soccer, Tone Chime
- International Table Soccer Tournament Host, 2003-2009
- School-wide Student Service Learning projects:
 - Humane Education Donations
 - Recycling Club
 - Grade 7 Hollifield Station ES
 - Dr. Seuss Kindergarten Reading Project
 - Grade 8 Harvest for the Hungry
 - Pennies for Patients

Business Partnerships:

- Barnes and Noble
- Destination Organized
- Heartlands
- Howard County General Hospital