

Guilford Elementary School

PROFILE

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Guilford Elementary...EXCELLENCE in ACTION! Engage • Collaborate • Persevere

Our staff are dedicated to excellence for all students by ensuring they:

- Are **Engaged** in learning.
- **Persevere** when learning.
- **Collaborate** among their peers.

Guilford Elementary staff members are active learners and spend time each week engaged in professional learning facilitated by our Reading and/or Math Resource staff. These collaborative sessions allow our staff to learn and implement the latest research-based strategies and techniques. Our staff realizes the importance of becoming “facilitators of learning.” They pose open-ended questions for students to consider and allow them time to collaborate with others to formulate answers and possible solutions to these questions. Students are encouraged to share their thinking, make connections, and support their ideas with information they have learned.

Guilford students are expected to take ownership of their learning and to be actively engaged in each lesson. By focusing on engagement during lessons, teachers plan and implement tasks that require students to be invested, thoughtful and reflective. They use what they know as they synthesize information and opinions shared during class. Our students are asked to actively listen to the ideas of their peers as well as critique their thinking.

As a school, we understand that this type of deep, higher level thinking is not always easy and we encourage students to persevere. Finding opportunities to celebrate our students’ successes and recognizing their accomplishments are key elements of our school-wide success.

Fast Facts

Facility opened: 1954

Additions/Renovations

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

School Capacity: 465

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

Total Enrollment (PreK–5): 439

Official count 9/30/18

Ethnicity FY19

American Indian/Alaskan	≤5.0%
Asian	17.1%
Black/African American	44.2%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	≤5.0%
Hispanic/Latino	13.9%
White	18.5%
Two or more races	6.2%

Students Receiving Special Services FY18

Free/Reduced Lunch	47.7%
Ltd. English Proficient	6.2%
Special Education	7.5%
Title I	100.0%

PTA members: 125

Administrators:

Jonathan Davis, Principal
Patricia Lannon, Assistant Principal

Educational Partnerships

- A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc.
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Iota Lambda Omega Chapter
- Asbury United Methodist Church – Jessup
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., Columbia (MD) Alumnae Chapter
- First Baptist Church of Guilford
- Howard Co. Library, East Columbia
- Laurel Church of Christ
- NAACP Youth Council of Howard County
- Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Tau Pi Chapter

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Academic Achievement

GES Performance on State Tests – FY18

Measure	Results
Percent Proficient Mathematics	35.8%
Percent Proficient English Language Arts	36.8%

State accountability information for GES can be accessed at <https://hcpssne.ws/ges-reported>

Special Programs

- AAA Safety Patrol
- Academic Life Skills Classes
- BRIDGES 21st Century Community Learning Center: after-school program to enhance student achievement and provide enrichment
- Black Student Achievement Academic Liaison
- Girls on the Run Program
- Howard County Spelling Bee participants each year
- MESA (Math Engineering and Science Achievement) Program
- Omega Psi Phi Mentoring Program for males
- Over a third of Guilford Elementary students participate in instrumental music programming
- Professional Development School: UMBC
- Schoolwide Free Breakfast Program
- Science Fair
- Title I schoolwide program
- WGES TV Studio: Student lead daily news broadcasts
- Weekend Meal Program

Accomplishments

- Maryland Green School Certified
- PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) Gold Ribbon, 2010–Present
- Donated \$9,800 to the American Heart Association through our Jump Rope for Heart schoolwide campaign Fall 2017/2018
- Donated \$6,000 to the Leukemia Association through our Pennies for Patients schoolwide campaign Spring 2017/2018
- Unheard Perspectives Medalists: 2018: 3 Gold Medals, 2017: Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medals