Hammond Elementary School is home to over 600 students who are striving to become college and career ready! Our staff is committed to providing a safe and nurturing learning environment that fosters individual success through academic excellence and an appreciation of diversity.

Our school integrates instruction with kindergarten and first grade students remaining with their teachers throughout the day, and second through fifth grade students participating in a departmentalized model. Staff maximizes instructional time with multi-level student groups that aim to provide acceleration opportunities for all students. Hammond staff believes in promoting a growth mindset in both students and staff in order to support a culture of continual improvement within all aspects of the school day. Our praise of students focuses on the processes (effort, work ethic, and persistence) rather than the final outcome or result. Our professional learning as a staff targets strategies for increasing opportunities for student led learning, thus incorporating Student Voice in multiple ways throughout their educational program.

Our PTA is an essential partnership that consistently supports our students and staff. Our PTA sponsors many events, such as Family Restaurant Nights, the Annual Fall Festival, Family FIT Night, the HES Talent Show, and Multicultural Night, just to name a few.

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**Fast Facts**

**Facility opened:** 1971

**Additions/Renovations**
1989 (R/A), 1997 (A), 2007 (R), 2011 (R/A)

**School Capacity:** 653
(This does not include additional capacity provided by a portable classroom.)

**Total Enrollment (K–5):** 623
Official count 9/30/18

**Ethnicity FY19**
- American Indian/Alaskan ≤5.0%
- Asian 13.2%
- Black/African American 29.4%
- Hawaiian/Pacific Islander ≤5.0%
- Hispanic/Latino 11.9%
- White 37.1%
- Two or more races 8.0%

**Students Receiving Special Services FY18**
- Free/Reduced Lunch 23.5%
- Ltd. English Proficient 6.5%
- Special Education 9.3%
- Title I 0.0%

**PTA members:** 300

**Administrators:**
Kimberlyn Pratesi, Principal
Lisa Ciarapica, Assistant Principal

**Educational Partnerships**
- A-OK Mentoring-Tutoring, Inc.
- greeNEWit
- Howard County Library, Savage Branch & STEM Education Center
- Subway, Guilford Road
- Trout Unlimited, Trout in the Classroom

*Updated January 2019*
### Academic Achievement

#### HES Performance on State Tests – FY18

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State accountability information on HES can be accessed at [https://hcpssne.ws/hes-reported](https://hcpssne.ws/hes-reported)

### Accomplishments

- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports – Gold PBIS Award, 2018; Silver PBIS Award, 2017; Gold PBIS Award, 2009–16
- Several teams participated in the Howard County Battle of the Books Competition, 2011–18
- LARS Food Drive (annual)
- Green School, 2013–present
- Raised over $400 for Change Matters benefiting Grassroots Shelter 2018
- Raised over $2,109.22 (Pennies for Patients) The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 2017 (annual project since 2012)
- Raised over $14,000 (Jump Rope for Heart) American Heart Association, 2017
- Two participating teams in the DC Metro Rubik’s Cube Team Challenge, 2017-2018
- Ben Carson Scholarship Award Recipient, 2016 and 2018
- Gallup Employee Survey Results amongst top in HCPSS, 2016
- Growth Mindset initiative highlighted in *Create a Growth Mindset School* by Mary Cay Ricci
- Howard County Principal of the Year Award Recipient, 2018

### Special Programs

- AAA Safety Patrol
- Alpha Achievers
- Battle of the Books
- BSAP Evening of Excellence
- Fall Fun Run
- Family Fit Night
- Field Day
- Green Team
- Literacy and Math Night
- Mindset in the Classroom
- PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports)
- PTA Cultural Arts Programs
- PTA Restaurant Nights
- PTA Talent Show
- Recycling Team
- STEM and Enrichment Fair
- Simulated Congressional Hearing
- Spirit Days
- Vocal Music/Band/Instrumental Concerts